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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 11, 2007

SPOT REPORT - 011107-01

SUBJECT: RSO Air Asset Attacked by SAF**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Baghdad

SUMMARY: On January 11, 2007, at 1042 hours, a RSO Air Asset (530-Little Bird) was engaged by small arms fire (SAF) in the Red Zone. The air asset was in support of a COM PSD convoy when two SAF rounds penetrated the air frame. There were no injuries. The aircraft and crew continued with the mission.

RSO ACTION: Notified DS/CC**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad**DRAFTED BY:** Roque Salas, RSO TOC Watch Officer, Baghdad**CLEARED BY:** Lance Bailey, A/DRSO Baghdad

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14 January 2007

Spot Report - 011407-01**SUBJECT:** COM PSD Team Engaged with SAF**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC, Baghdad, Iraq**SUMMARY:**

On 01/14/07 at 1212 hours, a COM PSD team received one shot of SAF while conducting a low profile mission at the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works.

Upon arrival at the venue, two members of the COM PSD team went up to the roof to observe the area for possible threats. When the two COM PSD members arrived at the roof, they noticed a reflection from binoculars being used about 250 meters to their Southwest. The two COM PSD members took cover behind a wall on the roof and continued to observe. A few minutes later, one round was fired at the COM PSD team members and impacted on the wall just below their location. The COM PSD team members determined the shot came from a Southeast direction at an unknown distance. The COM PSD members informed the TOC of this incident.

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TOC dispatched RSO air assets to investigate. RSO air assets investigated the area surrounding the SftSptfcted laCatutts,tfti<J bad na>tijicant findings to report. TOC coordinated Wjthitbe:HS1MiIitajy:L^io dispatch Iraqi Army units to the location. The COM PSD team departed venue at the regularly scheduled time, and there was no damage to personnel or property during this incident.

RSO ACTION: RSO awaiting report from U.S. Military LNO about results of Iraqi Army search of the area.

LOCATION: Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works, Baghdad

DRAFTED: Scott Bruggemann, Watch Officer, RSO TOC Baghdad, Iraq

CLEARED: Lance Bailey, Acting DRSO

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REGIONAL SECURITY
BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00002

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Required Case Info**Case Title:** 2FEB07 Escalation of Force 28**Status:** CLOSED**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATE**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY**Categories:**

- CONDUCT/SUITABILITY

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-00342**Impact:** LOW**Principal Judicial District:****Due Date:** 02/03/2007**Countries Impacted:**

- IRAQ

Violations:**Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Case Origin/Source****Source Organization:** Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 1st Battalion, 101st Field Artillery**Name:** SPC Kane**Phone:****Source Comments:****Personnel Assignment**

Howard, Joseph ARSO COPENHAGEN

Synopsis

On February 2, 2007, at 1610 hours, a chief of mission (COM) motorcade was attacked with small arms fire while traveling from Baghdad International Airport (BIAP) to the International Zone.(IZ). There were no COM Injuries or damage to the vehicles. The COM motorcarde returned fire and may have hit two individuals. No battle damage assessment (BDA) was conducted. The Department of State Use of Force policy was followed.

Primary Subjects**Case Reports**

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Baghdad RSO TOC Spot Report	MS Word	281 kB

Related Cases**Outstanding Warrants**: -C-0-4

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- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04476**Synopsis**

On Feb 8th, 2007, members of a Hillah RSO PSD were involved in an escalation of force incident.

Primary Subjects**Case Reports**

Date	Snippet
08/20/2007	Attached are documents from...

Attachments

Title	Type	Size
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EOF investigation	Adobe PDF	808 kB

Optional Case Info**Impact:****Principal Judicial District:****Due Date:****Countries Impacted:****Violations:****Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Related Cases****Case Origin/Source****Source Organization:** RSO Baghdad**Name:** Hammond**Outstanding Warrants****Phone:****Source Comments:****Status History**

08/20/2007	OPEN
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February 25, 2007



SPOT REPORT - 022507-01

SUBJECT: RSO Air Asset Attacked by SAF

REPORTING OFFICE: RSO TOC Baghdad

SUMMARY: On February 25, 2007, at approximately 0945 hours, a RSO Air Asset (412-medium lift) was engaged by small arms fire (SAF) in the Red Zone. The air asset was returning from Al-Hillah iri support of the Regional Embassy Office (REO) when seven to eight (SAF) rounds penetrated the airframe. There were no injuries. The right door gunner returned fire shooting 30 rounds from his weapon; no BDA reported. The aircraft and crew continued to Baghdad without further incident.

RSO ACTION: Notified DS/CC

LOCATION: Red Zone, Baghdad

DRAFTED BY: Ron Chavez, RSO TOC Watch Officer, Baghdad

CLEARED BY: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

March 1,2007

SPOT REPORT -030107-02

SUBJECT: Suspicious Boat Activity on the Shaat-Al-Arab River

REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Basrah, Iraq

SUMMARY: On 02/26 and 02/27/2007, between 2330 and 2400 hours, a fishing boat with no running lights and an apparent mast/antenna was stationary in the Shaat-Al-Arab River across from the Basrah Palace. This is very unusual and raised suspicion. RSO Basrah security forces launched handheld pop-up flares, and a 40 mm illumination round. Romanian forces launched a flare as well. On 2/27/2007, RSO Basrah security forces launched a 40mm illumination round and a red smoke round, close to the boat. Romanian security launched a flare again. In both instances, the boat slowly departed the area. The British Operations Center was notified both nights. This incident is more than likely a probe/surveillance attempt. The actions of the boat do not fit into the routine of normal boat activity on the river.

RSO ACTION: RSO gave the orders to fire illumination rounds, coordinated with the British Operations Center and other agencies in order to get a better view of the activity on the boat in case it should reappear. Royal Marines and Basrah Palace security forces (Romanian, British, and U.S.) have been put on alert to look for the suspicious boat activity. The suspicious boat did not reappear on 02/28/07.

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March 1, 2007



SPOT REPORT -030107-03

SUBJECT: Suspicious Activity at REO Front Gate

REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Basrah, Iraq

SUMMARY: On 02/28/07 at 2250 hours, REO Security Supervisor noticed four individuals about 250-300 meters from the U.S. REO front gate, gathering near a white BMW sedan. He also noticed one of the individuals carrying a video camera. REO Security Supervisors observed one person in the group placing or picking up an unknown object more than one time at the same spot. Knowing that helicopters were inbound, a pen flare was fired at the individuals. After the pen flare was shot, they continued to their activity and did not depart the area. Two 40 MM red illumination rounds were fired in the air over the individuals. The suspicious individuals quickly jumped into their vehicle and drove away. British Operations Center was notified of the incident

RSO ACTION: RSO received written statements from the supervisors involved and alerted the British and Romanian security forces of the incident. REO Basrah remains on a high state of alert.

DRAFTED BY: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah

CLEARED BY: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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REGIONAL SECURITY
BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00077

Impact:
Status: CLOSED

Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070316 EOF, Kirkuk REO

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04587

Optional Case Info

Impact:

Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

Violations:

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

Case Origin/Source

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

Name: Hammond

Phone:

Source Comments:

Personnel Assignment

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
Hammond, Kory H	ARSO	BAGHDAD
Motley, David	DUTY AGENT	BAGHDAD

Synopsis

On March 3rd, 2007, members of a Kirkuk RSO PSD were involved in an Escalation of Force incident.

Primary Subjects

Case Reports

Date	Snippet
08/23/2007	Attached are documents prov...

Attachments

Title	Type	Size
20070316 Kirkuk PSD Shooting	MS Word	95 kB

Related Cases

Outstanding Warrants

Status History

08/23/2007	OPEN
08/23/2007	CLOSED
09/02/2007	OPEN
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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00060

Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070319 EOF, Irbil PRT

Synopsis

On March 19th, 2007, members of an Irbil RSO Pbu we're involved in an escalation of force incident.

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04665

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20070319 copy of SIR	Spreadsheet	37 kB
20070319 EOF	Adobe PDF	739 kB
20070319 RE Use of Force..ROI's	HTML	5 kB
20070319 ROI Erbil PSD Shoo...	MS Word	93 kB
20070319 Spot Report EOF Erbil	MS Word	281 kB
20070319 Spot Report-01 EOF...	MS Word	294 kB

Related Cases

Outstanding Warrants

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08/27/2007											OPEN
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Source Organization

RSO Baghdad

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RS-2007-00275: 20070322 EOF, Kirkuk REO

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00078

Status: CLOSED

Required Case Info**Case Title:** 20070322 EOF, Kirkuk REO**Status:** CLOSED**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATE**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY**Categories:**

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04588**Optional Case Info****Impact:****Principal Judicial District:****Due Date:****Countries Impacted:****Violations:****Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Case Origin/Source****Source Organization:** RSO Baghdad**Name:** Hammond**Phone:****Source Comments:****Personnel Assignment**

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
Hammond, Kory H	ARSO	BAGHDAD
Motley, David	DUTY AGENT	BAGHDAD

Synopsis

On March 22nd, 2007, members of a Kirkuk RSO PSD were involved in an Escalation of Force incident.

Primary Subjects**Case Reports****Date****Snippet**

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Title	Type	Size
20070322 Kirkuk PSD Shooting	MS Word	95 kB

Related Cases**Outstanding Warrants****Status History**

08/23/2007	OPEN
08/23/2007	CLOSED
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March 27, 2007

Spot Report - 032707-03

SUBJECT: Suspicious Boat Activity on the Shaat-Al-Arab River**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

SUMMARY: On March 27, 2007 at 1118 hours a fishing boat with four occupants moved up the Shatt Al-Arab River heading north. The boat was approximately 25 feet long. The occupants were taking video and still pictures of the compound. One video camera, one regular camera and one camera with a 12 inch telescopic lens was observed. The actions of the boat do not fit into the routine of normal boat activity on the river.

At 1235 hours, what is believed to be the same boat, headed south down the river. However, the boat had five passengers and a driver. The same three cameras were observed

RSO ACTION: RSO gave the order to fire pen flares to warn the boat away. RSO coordinated with the British Operations Center and other agencies in order to get a better view of the activity on the boat in case it should reappear. RSO security forces took digital photographs of the boat. Photos will be distributed to the Basrah Palace security forces (Romanian, British, and U.S.).

Drafted By: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah**Cleared By:** Ranc&U BeW*t,:k*SDiB*4h&d: ! !* ::

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Case Title: 20070406 EOF, Irbil PRT**Status:** CLOSED**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATE**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY**Categories:**

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04666**Optional Case Info****Impact:****principal Judicial District:****Due Date:****Countries Impacted:****Violations:****Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Case Origin/Source****Source Organization:** RSO Baghdad**Name:** Hammond**Phone:****Source Comments:****Personnel Assignment**

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
Hammond, Kory H	ARSO	BAGHDAD
Motley, David	DUTY AGENT	BAGHDAD

Synopsis

On April 6th, 2007, members of an iron RSO were involved in an escalation of force incident.

Case Reports**Date**

08/27/2007

Snippet

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Attachments**Title**

20070406 PSD Statements

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216 kB

Related Cases**Outstanding Warrants****Status History**

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Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070421 EOF Hillah REO

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

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Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04477

Optional Case Info

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Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

Violations:

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

Case Origin/Source

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Personnel Assignment

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
Hammond, Kory H	ARSO	BAGHDAD
Motley, David	DUTY AGENT	BAGHDAD

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April 30, 2007

SPOT REPORT - 043007-05

SUBJECT: COM Tactical Support Team (TST) Attacked by Small Arms Fire (SAF) and Rocket Propelled Grenades (RPGs).

REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Baghdad

SUMMARY: On 30 April 07, at 1303 hours, a COM TST was engaged by SAF and RPG while leaving their staging area. The TST was staged at a Forward Operating Base (FOB) and had heard a firefight outside the FOB. After waiting for approximately 20 minutes, the TFT departed the FOB in support of a COM PSD motorcade. Immediately upon departure, the TST encountered AIF firing SAF and RPGs from the rooftops of two abandoned buildings. They returned fire and pushed through the contact area.

At approximately 1320 hrs, the TST was en-route to the International Zone when they were again attacked with SAF by AIF firing from several windows of an abandoned building. The team returned fire and pushed through the contact area and returned to the International Zone without further incident.

There were no injuries to COM personnel, no known damages to the TST vehicles and no AIF BDA at the time of this reporting.

RSO ACTION: DS/CC notified. The Army PSD members are being debriefed and are preparing statements.

LOCATION: Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kurt Scheuermann

Title of Person Releasing Report: Operations Chief

Date of Incident: 2 May 2007

Time of Incident: 1950hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: WPPS Taylor Camp, International Zone

Personnel Involved: Blackwater TCN

Incident Synopsis: On 2 May 2007 at 1950 hours, four (4) 107mm rockets hit the International Zone. One rocket detonated on the WPPS Taylor Camp (Taylors International Static Guard). There were 4 Taylors International TCN camp workers critically injured as the result of the detonation. The 4 Taylors TCN camp workers were immediately transported to the 28 CSH (hospital) by BW TST elements; the Taylors TCN workers' conditions were conformed as "KIA."

Outline injuries if applicable: 4 KIA

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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RS-2007-00271: 20070525 EOF, Kirkuk REO

REGIONAL SECURITY
BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00076*

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Status: CLOSED

Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070525 EOF, Kirkuk REO

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- CRIME / INCIDENT

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04655

Optional Case Info

Impact:

Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

Violations:

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

Case Origin/Source:

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

Name: Hammond

Phone:

Source Comments:

Personnel Assignment

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
Hammond, Kory H	ARSO	BAGHDAD
Motley, David	DUTY AGENT	BAGHDAD

Synopsis

On May 18, 2007, members of a Kirkuk RSO PSD were involved in an Escalation of Force incident.

Primary Subjects

Case Reports

Date	Snippet
08/25/2007	Attached are documents prov...

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Title	Type	Size
20070525 Kirkuk PSD Shooting	MS Word	95 kB

Related Cases

Outstanding Warrants

Status History

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHPAD-2007-00065

Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070525 EOF, Irbil PRT

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: CRIMINAL

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- CRIME / INCIDENT

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04989

Optional Case Info

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Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

Violations:

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

Case Origin/Source

Name: Hammond

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Source Comments:

Personnel Assignment

Hammond, Kory H

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Synopsis

On May 25th, 2007, members of the Irbil PSD were involved in an escalation of force incident.

Primary Subjects

Case Reports

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00089

Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070606 EOF, Irbil PRT

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: CRIMINAL

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- CRIME / INCIDENT

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-04991

Optional Case Info

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Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

Violations:

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TECS Lookout: No

Case Origin/Source

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

Name: Hammond

Phone:

Source Comments:

Personnel Assignment

Hammond, Kory H ARSO BAGHDAD

Synopsis

On June 4th, 2007, members of an RSO Irbil PSD were involved in an escalation of force incident.

Primary Subjects

Case Reports

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20070604 Spot Report EOF Erbil	MS Word	272 kB

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Serious/Incident Accident Report

Task Order 139

Incident Type: SIR Status: Initial
Incident No: 27680 Category: SAF

Reporting Region: Dubai Incident Date: 04-Jun-07
Region Report: BTC0706040001 Time of Incident: 0730hrs
Site: Dubai
Phone: (713) 753-7038 Extension
Actual Location: BIAP, B Terminal
Injury/illness: Gun Shot Wound
Employee: KBR Expat

Incident Detail

Time/Date 0841 hrs 04-Jun-07 Report Author M. Kay Williams Status Initial

A KBR Expat sustained an injury to the right upper arm from SAF at BIAP Terminal B. The call of "Shots Fired" was issued over the radio, Global Security responded and held the perimeter around the wounded Expat. The Global medics responded and began treatment of the wounded Expat before transporting him to the TMC at South Victory. The assailant is unknown and the search continues to try and apprehend the person responsible. All KBR Charter flights were put on hold. KBR Charter flights have resumed and will attempt to make up the schedule. The injured Expat has been treated and released from the TMC to the care of the KBR Medics.

Accountability No
MEDEVAC No
Hostile Act Yes

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

June 13, 2007

SPOT REPORT - 061307-07

SUBJECT: Small Arms Fire against Basrah Palace**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

SUMMARY: On 06/13/07, at approximately 2320 hours, at least two small groups of unknown males in the vicinity of the REO front gate engaged each other with small arms fire. An REO guard in a tower at the front gate observed one of the males with a long-barrel weapon firing in the direction of the front gate. The guard returned fire with approximately 80 rounds of controlled automatic 7.62mm fire. The unknown male discontinued firing and disappeared from view, and the effectiveness of the fire could not be determined.

At approximately 2321 hours, a 1.5Kw temporary generator providing power to the REO section of the Palace compound experienced a mechanical failure, causing the compound to go dark. Although the cause of the failure was initially unknown, and an event of concern, the failure of the generator was found to be unrelated to hostile action.

At approximately 2330, a fire was ignited on a portable generator/floodlight cart used to illuminate the area immediately in front of the REO. The cause of the fire has not been determined, but small arms tracer fire may have ruptured and ignited the fuel system.

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RSO ACTION: Additional guards were dispatched to the front gate. KBR mechanics were unable to fix the generator and had to be replaced by the generator set with another 1.5Kw temporary unit. REO guard force personnel used hand extinguishers to put out the fire on the generator/floodlight cart. There were no casualties from any of the above incidents. REO Basrah is on a continued state of alert.

DRAFTED BY: Dan Wilhelm, ARSO Basrah

CLEARED BY: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 14Jun^T07;" ; C S S I F I E D

Location: 38S MB WithfisWfltf faOpSecI': C S S I F I E D

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 14 Jun 2007

Time of Incident: 1752 hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: LZ Washington

Personnel Involved: BW Air

Incident Synopsis: On 14 Jun 2007 at 1752 hours, the International Zone sustained an IDF attack with one (1) 107mm rocket impacting and detonating on LZ Washington. The detonation caused damage to one (1) Bell 412 BW air asset. The aircraft received an undetermined amount of damage and is under further assessment.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00073

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Required Case Info**Case Title:** 20070621 Escalation of Force**Status:** CLOSED**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATE**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY**Categories:**

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-03084**Synopsis**

On 21 June 2007, members of a Chief of Mission (CoM) Personal Security Detail (PSD) were involved in an escalation of force incident. There were no injuries to CoM personnel and no apparent injuries to the suspect.

Primary Subjects**Case Reports****Date****Snippet**

06/21/2007 On Thursday June 21st, 2007...

Optional Case Info**Impact:****Principal Judicial District:****Due Date:****Countries Impacted:****Violations:****Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Attachments****Title****Type****Size**

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Related Cases**Outstanding Warrants****Case Origin/Source****Status History****Source Organization:** RSO Baghdad

06/21/2007 OPEN

Name: Hammond

08/25/2007 CLOSED

Phone:

09/02/2007 OPEN

Source Comments:

09/02/2007 OPEN

Personnel Assignment

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
Hammond, Kory H	ARSO	BAGHDAD
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RS-2007-00267: 20070G26TEOF by COM PSD

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00074

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Status: CLOSED

Required Case Info**Synopsis**

Case Title: 20070626, EOF by COM PSD

On June 26, 2007, members of a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Detail (PSD) fired several rounds at an aggressive vehicle. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no known injuries to the suspects.

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATIVE

Primary Subjects

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:**Case Reports**

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Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-03310

Date**Snippet**

06/26/2007

On Tuesday, June 26th, 2007...

Optional Case Info**Attachments**

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Countries Impacted:

Related Cases

Violations:

Outstanding Warrants

TECS Lookout: No

Status History**Case Origin/Source**

06/30/2007 OPEN

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

08/25/2007 CLOSED

Name: Hammond

09/02/2007 OPEN

Phone:

09/02/2007 OPEN

Source Comments:

09/02/2007 CLOSED

Personnel Assignment

Carpenter, Theodore	ASAC	BAGHDAD
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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 09, 2007

SPOT REPORT - 010907-01

SUBJECT: COM TST Team attacked by SAF

REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Baghdad

SUMMARY:

On 01/09/07, at approximately 0949 hours, a COM TST (Tactical Support Team) was engaged by SAF (small arms fire). The TST team consisted of [redacted] vehicles: a [redacted]. The TST team departed the International Zone in support of a COM PSD supported CODEL pickup. The TST team exited the International Zone from Checkpoint [redacted] heading west. As the TST team entered the intersection of [redacted] the driver of the [redacted] "Vehicle (Saxon) noticed that an Iraqi National Guard member (at the ING checkpoint) at that location had released a pigeon as the convoy entered the intersection. The driver relayed this information to the rest of the convoy. After the TST exited the intersection, they drove in a westerly direction towards BIAP.

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About 200 meters later, the occupants of the [redacted] vehicle (Saxon) noticed that the entire TST convoy was receiving heavy incoming machine gun fire from a four-story building south of the road. The rounds were coming from 3 military aged males using foreign crew served weapons. The TST convoy received 40-60 rounds of SAF in their direction from the men firing the crew served weapons. The front gunner of the [redacted] TST vehicle fired 3 rounds with an [redacted] and the rear gunner of the [redacted] TST vehicle fired 18 rounds with an [redacted] at the 3 military aged males on the [redacted] byildjflg.ijj Qi;Jer.to suppress threat to the TST motorcade. The TJSi m^rpbeis werg nojt t3 (Jeierriiijeji if they had struck the individuals as the cõvõy pusfiecf p'ast ifie ambush zone.

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While this was occurring, the rear gunner of the rear TST vehicle engaged a military aged male with T1 . . . afrjj^jrifl®. «This mflifajy aged male was located in the median c?Lth®.*oa<f ahd aMiad'wkh ai>Ai*~47». JFfie armed military aged male had appeared from the median as the convoy past, and appeared to be working with the men on the building as a spotter. The rear gunner also noticed that the individual was located near a parked white vehicle that had an open trunk. The rear gunner noticed that the military aged male disappeared back into the median area of the road as the convoy pushed through the ambush site.

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The TST convoy continued on to BIAP. The TST convoy entered at _____ 1 and staged there while the COM PSD team picked up the CODEL. At abotFuOO, the TST convoy observed a mortar of undetermined size detonate about 75 meters from their convoy, south of the outbound lane atj _____. The detonation did not cause any damage to the motorcade because it detonated in a ditch on the side of the road. At 1150, the TST convoy linked up with the COM PSD team supporting the CODEL. At 1200, both the TST and COM PSD supporting the CODEL proceeded to the International Zone without further incident.

There were no injuries to COM personnel during this mission. Thef _____ vehicle (Saxon) received several rounds to the engine compartment. The rear vehicle (Saxon) received several rounds to the roof compartment. There was no further damage to report.

RSO ACTION: { } Army QRF from Alpha Company, 1/18 infantry responded to the area where the TST convoy had been engaged. The Army QRF was engaged with small arms fire as they searched the area. No further details of this follow on operational are available at this time.

LOCATION: 200 meters west o^ , 1 Baghdad, Iraq

DRAFTED BY: Scott Bruggemann, Watch Officer RSO TOC Baghdad
CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 09 Jan 07

Location: Route [redacted]

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 09 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 0949

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity oil [redacted]

Personnel Involved: [redacted]

Incident Synopsis: On 09 Jan 07, at approximately 0949 hours, [redacted] 1, a * [redacted], vehicle Tactical Support Team (TST) was in route to* [redacted] in support of [redacted]. While traveling West and approximately 500 meters west~of~["[redacted]"], [redacted] received approximately 40 - 60 rounds of SAF from a building on the south side of Route" " [redacted] returned fired, expending approximately 12 - 20 rounds, and continued toward! [redacted] without further incident. There were no injuries and no damage.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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I, [Redacted] hereby make the following statement at the request of [Redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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[Redacted] J From [Redacted], to present, I have worked PSD for Blackwater USA on the US State Department Mission in Baghdad Iraq assigned to [Redacted]. Tactical Support Team. During this time, I have received further training on advanced weapons handling, tactics, and levels of escalation of force in accordance with DOS directives.

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Incident

On 8 January 2007 at 1715, I attended a mission brief for the day's missions. The mission brief included a listing of locations they would be visiting, and our vehicle load plan for the day, and the pre-mission briefing time for the next morning.

On 9 January 2007 at approximately 0645 hours, I attended a pre-mission brief which included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force. Routes were briefed by the Tactical Commander (TC) and the Intelligence brief was given by the Intelligence Analyst. The Intelligence Analyst advised that there were numerous small arms attacks on coalition forces in the area we were to travel to include a recent rocket propelled grenade attack on Route 1 in the recent days. b7E,F

On January 9 2007, I was assigned the rear up-gunner for the Follow Vehicle (FV). The FV was a white Saxon Armored Car. My vehicle was the lead of a car motorcade. We were tasked as a Quick Reaction Force for several teams operating outside of the International Zone in Baghdad. At around 0935 hours, we moved from Check Point P towards Route 1 to support IAF on a BIAP movement. I heard over the radio that we were going straight out of the Check Point to stage at [] lat BIAP. b7E,F

We then proceeded out of Check Point J and continued west down Route 1. At approximately 0945 hours, we were around 500 meters west of [] (an overpass with merging traffic onto the west bound lanes of Route 1). This was at an approximate grid of []. At that time, I noted sporadic gunfire from behind me (west). The gunfire began to build in volume as we continued west towards BIAP. I then heard over the radio that the ERV was under fire. I could hear a large volume of gunfire and was scanning for possible VBIED's coming from the east (our rear). As I was scanning, towards the north side of the road, I noted a white 4 door sedan parked with the trunk up. There was an Iraqi adult male, wearing a green and grey jacket, standing on the north side of the car with both of his hands on the roof of the car, palms down. The subject was not looking at me but towards the south. b7E,F

At this time, I was hearing a tremendous roar of gunfire still coming from behind me (west) as we were driving through. After we passed the subject, he was still looking south but began to duck down behind his car. Fearing that the subject had spotted a threat from the south, I swung my rifle towards that direction. As I did, I saw an Iraqi adult male. He had no beard and was wearing a dark brown or black jacket. He stood up from behind a large green bush and pointed a rifle in my direction. The subject was in the median, between the north and south roads approximately 35-50 meters to my southeast. The subject literally popped up and pointed the weapon at me. Fearing that this subject was posing an immediate threat to me and the other members of my team, I fired one round at the subject. Upon firing my [] the subject dropped immediately from view and I did not see any movement from that area again. I scanned the area for further threats as we were still receiving small arms fire. The fire quickly died down after a few moments. I called out that we had contact from the rear and that shots were fired so that the information could be passed to the Shift Leader. I let my truck commander know that I was fine. I then continued to scan the 6'oclock to ensure that no vehicles approached us to the right or left of the route. b7E

We continued with the mission without further incident. No injuries to team members were sustained.///ENDIII

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9th day of January, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Location
WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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[redacted] 11 took a contract with Blackwater Security. I received training in operating as a member of a protective detail. The training standards mirrored those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. After training I was sent to Baghdad, Iraq as part of Blackwater's contract with the Department of State. I have been working in Baghdad as a member of a protective detail for [redacted] as a member of ^ J"actical Support Team. Upon being assigned to Baghdad, I was trained thoroughly on the team's standard operating procedures, including the mission firearms policy and the escalation of force.

Incident

On 9 Januaj)^2007 at approximately 0645, I attended a pre-mission brief conducted by my team leader, [redacted]. The brief included the rules of engagement per the mission firearms policy, escalation of force and the routes we would be utilizing in order to support the days missions. The [redacted] ^embedded intelligence analyst, P [redacted] gave a detailed threat brief covering the routes that we would be traveling. The brief included that there had been significant anti-coalition activity in the area of [redacted] and that several motorcades had come under small arms fire in that area to include an attack on [redacted] within the last two weeks.

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On 9 January, 2007, [redacted] I was en route to BIAP. I was manning the forward turret in the Emergency Recovery Vehicle (ERV), a S a x b o n , in the order of movement. We had just passed [redacted], traveling west towards BIAP when on the right shoulder of the road, a small white car was stopped with an open trunk and two local national males dismounted. As we passed this vehicle, the two subjects moved from the rear of the vehicle to the right side, and one squatted down by the right rear tire. Within seconds of passing them, I began to hear sporadic fire coming from the south, approximately 11 o'clock from our direction of travel. As our vehicle (ERV) approached, the volume of fire picked up considerably, with multiple simultaneous bursts of automatic weapons fire. I realized immediately that [redacted] was being attacked, and began scanning for hostile threats, as I was in fear for my Me and those of my teammates. Initially I saw no threats and could not identify where the hostile fire was coming from, but based on the scmi^d, I knew it was generally south and now about 9 o'clock from the direction we were traveling.^ [redacted]!

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'began to fire from the rear turret position, and I yelled to him asking where the attack was coming from. While continuing to engage the threat, he shouted "9 o'clock, rooftop!" At that point I was able to pick out a gunman firing a crew served weapon from the roof of a three story building that appeared to be still under construction. The building was approximately two hundred and fifty meters from our motorcade. I fired three shots at the attacker from my State Department issuedQJ [redacted] I only had time to fire three shots, at which point I could no longer fire for fear of hitting my teammate, [redacted] in the rear turret.

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Shift Leader) _____ made* à'contacVrepòrt* while we were uncleVfire, placing the time of the incident at 0947. We sustained no injuries, but upon inspecting the vehicle we found that at least one round had impacted the roof of the Saxon just to the rear of' _____ position and at least three rounds had impacted the follow vehicle. No team members were injured in the attack. We continued on our mission without further incident. ///END///

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9th day of January 2007.

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On 9 January 2007 at approximately 0645 hours, we attended a pre-mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force. Routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Tactical Commander and the Intelligence and Threat brief was given by the! «Intelligence Analyst. The Intelligence Analyst advised that there were several small arms attacks on coalition forces in the area we were going; to include a rocket propelled grenade attack on Routej — in the vicinity of i—™ jwithin the last week.

On 9 January I was riding as a member of Tactical Support Team (TST)' _____ We were operating as a vehicle motorcade. I was assigned as the truck commander and] _____ lof the Vehicle. I was seated inside the rear of the vehicle, which is a Saxon. We were headed west on Route [^] at approximately 1000 hours. We just passed L _____ when our vehicle starting receiving automatic weapons fire from the south. The rear up gunner] _____ began to return fire. He stated to me that he fired one round initially to see if he was on target. He then started firing bursts of two to three rounds. It sounded to me like he fired approximately 8 to 20 rounds all total. I heard approximately 30 to 40 rounds) if incoming small arms fire, some of which impacted our vehicle. When the firing stoppedL _____ yelled down to me that he was ok. We continued on towards our destination without any further incidents. None of my team members were injured in the attack. //END//

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Incident

On 9 January 2007 at approximately 0645, I attended a pre-mission brief conducted by my Team Leader [REDACTED]. The brief included the rules of engagement per the mission firearms policy, escalation of force and the routes we would take in order to support the day's missions. The embedded intelligence analyst, ^ [REDACTED] gave a threat brief covering the routes that we would be traveling. The brief included information that there had been significant enemy activity in the area near [REDACTED] and that several motorcades had come under small arms fire in that area to include an attack on [REDACTED] in the last several days.

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On January 09, 2007 at approximately 0950 hours local time, I, [REDACTED] was assigned to the ERV [REDACTED] rear turret position (Saxon) for Tactical Support Team (TST) [REDACTED]. My team was traveling west on Route [REDACTED] towards BIAP in support of P" [REDACTED]. As we were traveling west on [REDACTED] (approximately 200 meters west of! [REDACTED]) [REDACTED], I heard automatic gun fire coming from the south. I turned facing south and observed three subjects on the roof of a 4 story building (approximately 250 yards) armed with rifles that appeared to be crew served weapons. I then observed the subjects firing their weapons at my location. I could hear the rounds impacting my vehicle and I could see impacts in the dirt next to the road we were traveling. I then got a sight picture on the subjects with my State department issued [REDACTED] with a n f l n self defense and the defense of my teammates, I fired one round and observed that it had struck the building inches from the three subjects. I then adjusted my aim and continued to fire several short bursts at the subjects. I observed that 2 of the subjects went out of sight, either from being struck or for taking cover. The remaining subject continued to fire at my location. I then fired a short burst at the remaining subject and observed him fall out of sight. During this incident, I had verbally given the direction and distance of where the gunfire was coming from to my vehicle commander F [REDACTED] y-Um" [REDACTED] land the front gunner P [REDACTED] of the ERV. I returned fire at the three armed subjects [REDACTED] was in fear for my life and tife lives of my team. I fired approximately 18 to 20 rounds from my [REDACTED] Although some rounds had impacted our motorcade, no team members were injured in the attack. After we were clear of gun fire, we continued our mission without further incident.

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 10, 2007

SPOT REPORT - 011007-02

SUBJECT: COM TST Team attacked by SAF**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Baghdad

SUMMARY: On 10 January, at 1733 hours, a COM TTT (Tactical Transport Team) was engaged by SAF (small arms fire). The TTT team consisted of Bearcat armored cars. The TTT team departed the International Zone in support of a COM PSD supported Department of State pickup from the Baghdad International Airport (BIAP). The TTT team exited the BIAP and was proceeding east on Route [" " back to the International Zone. Approximately four kilometers from the BIAP Entry Control Point, 8-10 local national males were observed on the roof of a concrete two story building south of Route! When the TTT was parallel to them, one of the males was observed vigorously waving a white flag. This information was radioed throughout the motorcade. As the TTT team approached the intersection off" " (the location of small arms attack against a COM Tactical Support Team on 9 January), they observed a large eight story concrete building on the south side of the road (to their right). On the west side of the building they saw a single red tracer round which appeared to be fired from the ground shoot straight up into the air.

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Immediately following the tracer round, the TTT motorcade was engaged by small arms fire (SAF) from the top floor west corner window by at least one individual armed with what is thought to have been an AK-47 rifle. At the same time, the TTT was also fired upon by what is believed to have been a PKM machine gun firing from an unk^rx^n JfccSatkjnjirf ih*saiJK* bufldirtg! J? oltOnately all of the rounds the machine" g'unTir^cf pa&dfl'o Vbr the top of tttfe'TTT Bearcats to no effect.

The turret gunner in the rear Bearcat fired three aimed short bursts from his^~
_____ } a total of 15 rounds. One of the jx>rt gunners in the same Bearcat
fired 20 aimed rounds; a| tj*e jttflcfers wifh. hiarTT^jf[e; «Thg JTT broke contact
and returned to the International Zone wi'thouf further Incident. There were no
injuries to COM personnel during this mission. None of the vehicles involved
were struck or damaged as a result of the attack.

RSO ACTION:

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LOCATION: 200 meters west of \ Baghdad, Iraq

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DRAFTED BY: Sam Pikula, RSO TOC Watch Officer, Baghdad

CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 10 Jan (>)

Location: Route [] -A

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

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Date of Incident: 10 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1733

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity of []

Personnel Involved: []

Incident Synopsis: On 10 Jan 07, at approximately 1733 hours, [] a [] vehicle Tactical Transport Team (TTT), was in route to CP! While traveling East on Routed [], approximately 200 meters Southwest of [] received SAF from the top right window of a large red and white building on the South side of Route []! returned fire and then continued toward CP [] without further incident. There were no injuries and no damage.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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As such, I am familiar with the principles of protective security, from advance work and all aspects of coordination with outside agencies including mgjiic^J 3g\$flpigs,,grr]Yals and departures, route security, venue security, ev^Jation pfotfeditf^ancTperkcJiaal jDitotediin of the principal.

During the month of , I attended and graduated WPPS and WPPS II conducted by Dyncorp at the Crucible. We were trained in CQB, shoot / don't shoot scenarios, and high threat driving. Additionally, I attended WPPS II at the Blackwater facility and gained even more experience in Attack on Principal drills and shooting from a stationary and moving platform. lyl67C

I was deployed to Baghdad on with and assigned to PSD on . While I was with , I also worked on . I was hired by Blackwater or and attended WPPS II certification. I am currently assigned as a on the Tactical Support Team. b6
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INCIDENT

On January 10, 2007, I and my team, r^J , were on a Tactical Transport mission to pick up 8 passengers at Sully Compound located at Baghdad International Airport. Prior to our mission, we were briefed on the recent intelligence pertinent to our mission and our routes. During that brief, we were told of repeated threats from roof tops just west of on the south side of the road. We were told of several attacks on motorcades with small arms fire to include an attack on on January 9th 2007. Our motorcade consisted of Bearcat vehicles each with 1 turret. I was the ¹ in the middle vehicle or the ERV and was riding in the front passenger seat of the vehicle. (,7EF

While traveling east on route in the east bound lane, I was scanning the buildings to the south looking for possible threats or pre-incident indicators. Approximately 500 to 800 meters east of I noticed a dwelling on the south frontage road that was two stories tall with a second floor balcony. On the roof of this dwelling were approximately 8-10 men. I did not observe any weapons although they appeared to be paying close attention to our motorcade. After our first vehicle drove pass their location and my vehicle came parallel to the dwelling, I witnessed 1 of the men quickly step out from the group of men with a large white piece of cloth and began vigorously waving it in the air. His behavior led me to believe he was attempting to get someone else's attention. I called out on the radio as soon as I saw the flag and let the rest of my team know what I had observed. Approximately 20 seconds later, I began to hear several rounds fired from what sounded like a medium machine gun. I could not see any muzzle flashes from my position, however, I did hear our follow vehicle call out, "contact, contact, contact" on . I then heard immediate gun fire being fired from our rear vehicle. The entire motorcade was able to continue moving and break contact without injuries to our personnel or damage to our vehicles. We continued on to the International Zone without further incident. //END// b7E/F

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In : I completed training for the World Wide Personal Protection Service (WPPS), at Blackwater USA. This program mirrored the Department of State Diplomatic Security Service agent training to include weapons training, threat assessment and target recognition (shoot / don't shoot) and shooting from a moving platform.

Incident

At approximately 1400 on January 10, 2007, I attended a pre-mission brief given by the Shift Leader . Rules of engagement, load plans, and intelligence updates were given as part of the pre-mission brief. I was assigned as the fire team member in the vehicle of our fly vehicle motorcade formation.

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At approximately 1420 hours[^] our motorcade departed the Green Zone, via Check Point We traveled westbound on route_1^ headed for the Baghdad International Airport (BIAP). The mission was a Tactical Transported ^{b7c} of 2 U.S. Marines at military side of BIAP and then return ^{b7c} advised that there was intelligence reports of recent ^{b7c} arms attacks in the area b e t w e e n "Hand! I H I 1" Specifically from a red in color multi story building located on the south side of Route) ^{x^if}

At approximately 1700 hours, we departed BIAP with the 2 Department of State (DOS) employees and 2 U.S. Marines in the vehicle for our return trip. The other 4 DOS Employees were riding in the the motorcade. On our return trip eastbound on route approximately 400 meters past P, a call came over our team frequency from: ^{b7c} He reported a man on a building waving what appeared to be a white flag. I immediately thought this could be a signal for someone further down the road to initiate an ambush. Intelligence had reported earlier about men waving flags being observed prior to several attacks on coalition forces[^] As my vehicle was passing the red building, which is approximately 150 meters south of Route) ^{b7c} I saw a single tracer round fired straight into the air. Following this single shot, I began to hear machine gun fire, from our south. I then saw the tracer rounds fly directly over our vehicle. They appeared to be from a ground position, but I was unable to identify the threat. I immediately identified muzzle flashes and a single man in the upper west window, located on the top floor of the building. The building is open on both the north and south sides. I was able to see through the entire building. The light coming from the rear of the threat silhouetted the person, and they appeared to have a shoulder fired rifle, firing ^{jful} automatic ^ flashes. My vehicle was moving approximately^

I was in fear for the life of the turret gunner, and I engaged the threat in the upper west window with my while seated. I fired 12 rounds from the right rear port hole, at the threat in the window. I then lost my angle on the threat, so I transitioned to the rear port hole on the right side. I fired 8 rounds at the threat and the incoming rounds stopped. At this point, my vehicle was out of direct line of sight of the building and I could no longer identify a threat. The shift leader asked everyone in the vehicle if they were injured. No one was harmed, and our motorcade continued to move eastward toward check point We arrived safely at checkpoint^{"^"} at approximately 1745 hours. Once I returned to the staging area, I debriefed my shift leader regarding the incident.

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I deployed in support of the State Department High Threat Mission to Iraq in [redacted] I have attended the U.S State Department WPPS "I and WPPS S plays. [redacted] received training in the appropriate use of force, operating [redacted] a *prote^b wese fujiy \$e jail, shooting from a moving platform, and the use of [redacted] My training mirrored the training given to the U.S State Department Protective Service Details. I am currently serving in Baghdad, Iraq, as the [redacted] ^ Tactical Support Team [redacted]

INCIDENT

On Wednesday January 10, 2007, at approximately 1400 hours, I attended the pre mission brief for [redacted] 1 [redacted] acting Shift Leader, conducted the brief which covered the routes to be taken and the venues to be visited. Also, the use of force policy and rules of engagement were read during the brief. Additionally, we received the latest intelligence regarding specific threats along our routes. During the intelligence brief, we were advised that one day prior, [redacted] had received small arms fire from a red multi-story building, located approximately 400 meters west of [redacted]

Our motorcade consisted of [redacted] silver Bearcats. I was assigned as the turret gunner in the? vehicle. We departed Checkpoint) [redacted] at approximately 1420 hours, and traveled westbound on route P^to [redacted] Once we arrived at BIAP, we drove to MILAIR, where we picked up 6 US State Department employees and 2 Marines for transport to the International Zone. Our motorcade departed) [redacted] at approximately 1720 hours, traveling east bound on route r**** toward thTInternational Zone." Approximately 500 meters east of [redacted] jour team [redacted] located in the "---" vehicle, radioed he could see a male waving a flag on the rooftop located to our south. Based on previous intelligence, this is a known precursor for an imminent attack on coalition forces. Our tactical Commander then radioed to all of us that we were 400 meters from the red building where [redacted], had taken small arms fire.

I immediately orientated the [redacted] to the south side of Route [redacted] This allowed me to monitor any traffic coming from behind the motorcade, as well as, scan for any threats from the south. Our lead vehicle successfully passed the red building without incident. As I observed our second vehicle directly in front of the building, I saw one red tracer round fired straight up into the air. I saw that the tracer had been fired from the west side of the red building. I then heard the sound of several rifles being fired and observed tracers going over the top of my vehicle. I yelled out the contact to the Shift Leaderf [redacted] A who was in the front seat of my vehicle. I then observed the silhouette of a person, in the furthest right window on the top floor of the red building. I could clearly see the muzzle flash from a weapon as the person fired at our motorcade. I could also see tracers going over my vehicle. I heard the sound of a heavier machine gun, and could see more tracers arcing toward our vehicle. I was in fear for my life, and the lives of our passengers. I transitioned to thef [redacted] and engaged the threat located on the upper floor with 3-5 rounds from theV [redacted] I observed my rounds impacting to the left side of the widow from where the threat was firing. I fired another 3-5 rounds which I saw enter the window. I did not receive any further small arms fire from the threat located inside the window. The medium to heavy machine gun located to our south continued to fire, but no rounds impacted our vehicle.

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I adjusted my point of aim toward the muzzle flashes coming from the base of the building and fired 3-5 additional rounds. Our vehicle was traveling at approximately 50 mph enabling us to drive out of the field of fire directed toward the contact, we continued to Checkpoint; without further incident. Once safely inside the IZ, we ensured that all personnel were not injured and inspected the vehicles. The vehicles had zero damage. ///END///

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 10, 2007

**SPOT REPORT - 011007-01****SUBJECT:** Triple Canopy static guard hit by stray bullet**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Baghdad**SUMMARY:**

On 01/10/07, at 1615 hours the RSO TOC received a call from the Triple Canopy (TC) supervisor at Adnon Palace. The TC supervisor reported that a TC static guard f_____; Peruvian national; Embassy badge^_____, had been hit in the upper right shoulder by a stray bullet fired, from outside of the International Zone. The TC static guard had been posted in a guard tower facing north from Adnon Palace. The TC supervisor advised that there was a significant firefight in progress north of the International Zone. RSO TOC advised the supervisor to ensure that his people sought cover from the stray rounds, and that someone apply direct pressure to the shoulder of the injured static guard. RSO TOC then dispatched IZ Police and KBR medical to the scene of the injury. IZ Police provided first responder medical treatment to the static guard's shoulder. IZ Police informed the RSO TOC that the static guard was conscious and able to be transported. The static guard was transferred to the 28 CASH for further treatment. RSO TOC made announcements on the PSD and E&E radios to advise International Zone personnel to avoid the area near Adnon Palace due to the large volume of stray rounds. The firefight north of the International Zone ended at 1700.

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The static guard received one round to his upgej; right shoulder. There was no further damage to i^Rort.; [REDACTED]

RSO ACTION: TC static guard is stabilized at the CASH. RSO agents to visit individual following firtheiVe&mjpn-t.: \ j j" j* :

LOCATION: Adnon Palace, International Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

DRAFTED BY: Scott Bruggemann, Watch Officer RSO TOC Baghdad

CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 11 Jan 07 ! I ! * ! J ; b7E,F

Location: Vicinity of _____ v

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 11 Jan 07

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Time of Incident: 1042

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity of _____

Personnel Involved: Blackwater Air Little Birds

Incident Synopsis: On 11 Jan 07, at approximately 1042 hours, while providing convoy coverage for [REDACTED] Blackwater Air Little Birds received SAF in the vicinity of [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] Blackwater Air did not return fire and continued their mission without further incident. There were no injuries to personnel. The aircraft did receive 2 rounds of small arms fire to the sheet metal but there was no major damage to the aircraft.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

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Date of Incident: 15 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1050

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity of*"

Personnel Involved: _____ 1

Incident Synopsis: On 15 Jan 07, at approximately 1050 hours, _____ a _____ vehicle motorcade advance team, was returning from venue _____) A vehicle approached the rear of the motorcade resulting in a weapons discharge to disable the vehicle. _____ continued on mission without further incident. There were no injuries and no damage.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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**U.S. Embassy - Baghdad**

15 January 2007

Spot Report-011507-01**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

Summary: On 15 January 2007 at approximately 1050hrs, a vehicle COM PSD Advanced Team en route from the Ministry of Health encountered an aggressive yellow four-door sedan driven by one military age male. The motorcade was stationary and had established a bubble waiting for stopped traffic to move. The follow vehicle noticed a yellow sedan break through the rear traffic and penetrate the bubble at an excessive speed.

The rear gunner of the follow vehicle gave hand and verbal signals and at approximately! fired a pen flare to stop the yellow sedan. The yellow sedan continued to advance aggressively on the motorcade. When the yellow sedan was approximately! from the follow vehicle, the rear gunner fired three well-aimed! Jounds into the grill of the yellow sedan. The yellow sedan then came to a complete stop. The driver then exited the yellow sedan and did not appear to be injured. The COM PSD continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

RSO Action: PSEelfceffers debriefed arfti^tterst&t&mfcfcts forthcoming.**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 17, 2007

Spot Report-011707-01**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire Attack against Basrah Palace**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

SUMMARY: On 01/17/07 at approximately 1239 hours, eight rounds of indirect fire (IDF) were launched against the Basrah Palace, with three rounds impacting inside the REO compound. One 107mm rocket impacted approximately

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and injured a Triple Canopy TCN (Peruvian) guard. The TCN experienced significant bone and soft-tissue damage to his leg, and was stabilized by the Triple Canopy Doctor. The TCN was not determined to be in immediate danger of loss of life, but was medevac'd by British Army helicopter to the British Hospital at the Basrah Air Station at 1410. Two other rounds impacted ^T I ^ _____ i and five rounds impacted the British compound, none causing additional injuries or casualties. Fragmentation from one round damaged^the plumbing and fixtures inside the|_____ ^J
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RSO ACTION: The duck and cover alarm was sounded, all personnel donned PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and were restricted to hardcover bunkers/buildings. All personnel were accounted for. PSD/K-9 Teams conducted a sweep of the REO for UXO. Basrah TOC gave the "all clear" announcement at approximately! _ hours. REO Basrah is on a continued state of alert. RSO continues to coordinate with coalition forces regarding the daily attacks. All personnel are currently required to wear their PEE while outside.

DRAFTED BY: Dan Wilhelm, ARSO Basrah

APPROVED BY: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Ropopfc. 11 Jan 07

Location: Basrah

Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: Tracy Carroll

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

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Date of Incident: 17 Jan 07

Time of Incident: Approx. 1239

Contractor Involved: Triple Canopy, Inc.

Detail Location of Incident: U.S. Embassy Compound

Incident Synopsis: On 17 Jan 07, at approximately 1239 the FOB Basrah Palace began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated. Accountability of all personnel was taken. A total of 8 launches were reported, with 4 impacts on the U.S. side of the compound, and 4 on the British Compound. This IDF attack was conducted in 3 separate volleys over 8 minutes. The 4 rounds impacting on the U.S. Compound struck near Post! ("the area between Towers") 1 outside the wall near Tower ^ and 1 impact near the ^ w which caused injury to one Triple Canopy TCN. Clearing operations revealed no UXO. All Clear was sounded at) b7E

Outline injuries if applicable: 1 person was injured during this IDF Incident.

* _____ la TCN, classified as a T2, received an injury due to shrapnel which caused significant soft tissue damage to the leg. He was immediately moved to hard cover in the GT building where he was stabilized by Triple Canopy Medics. He awaits medical evacuation via helicopter to the Basra Air Station for further treatment. b6
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Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:

Personnel Notified of Incident: Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: None

Additional Reports Generated: None

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17 January 2007

Spot Report - 011707- 03**Subject: COM TST Attacked by SAF****Reporting Office: RSO TOC - Baghdad**

Summary: SUMMARY: On 17 January at approximately 1545 hours, a COM Tactical Support Team (TST) was engaged by one round of small arms fire (SAF). The TST team motorcade consisted of] } armored cars in the following order: J The TST team was returning to the International Zone and proceeding to the southwest through an intersection approximately 300 meters west of Bridge Number\ J which crosses the Tigris River. As the lead vehicle (Mamba) was reaching the other side of the intersection, the crew members heard a "pop" which sounded like the firing of a warning pen flare. As a precaution, the driver i " J and the TST continued out of the area. Radio communication within the TST motorcade afterwards revealed that no one fired a pen flare. At the time of the incident, one of the crewmen in the lead Mamba felt something brush his cheek, but did not consider himself injured.

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Upon returning to the International Zone, an inspection revealed the Mamba had been hit by a single 7.62X54R mm high powered ball round that struck the armored roof, skidded along the surface, and hit an/ ~ J I A small fragment of the bullet penetrated through anj and traveled into the interior of the Mamba. The bullet fragment then struck>§ T&T;crewman<oi>the left ehsek-ef his face causing a superficial cut. After Ve#ç<|n<früEt|n^the]ki<identj th© TSjTJsJiift leader believes the round was fired by a sniper located in a two to three story

structure from approximately 200 meters away. The crewman was treated for his injury and returned to duty. The event was later reported to the Mamba's hatch.

RSO Action: TST members are completing written statements. The RSO is investigating the shooting.

Location: Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

Drafted by: Sam Pikula, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq

Cleared by: Lance Bailey, Acting DRSO Baghdad

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 17 Jan 07 j': \ j j" j i" []

Location: Vicinity of [] * 1<. *.* T<> 1*1..*

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 17 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1545

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

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Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity of []

Personnel Involved: []

Incident Synopsis: On 17 Jan 07, at approximately 1545 hours, [] a Tactical Support Team comprised of a [] vehicle motorcade, was returning from a venue [] f [] to the International Zone. In the vicinity of [] the occupants of the lead vehicle, a Mamba APC, heard what they thought was a round of small arms fire. One member of the vehicle was scraped on the cheek by an unknown object. The team did not return fire. [] continued their mission without further incident. Upon debrief in the Team staging area, the Shift Lead inspected the vehicle and found that a round fragment had entered through a small! [] ~ Tarea under the [] " [] The member that was scraped by the fragment was seen by the Camp Doctor and released back to full duty with no serious injuries only a superficial scrape. There were no other personnel injured and there was no damage to any of the other vehicles.

Outline injuries if applicable: One minor superficial wound to the cheek of one Blackwater IC, [] t, U tflC

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad



18 January 2007

Spot Report - 011807-01

Subject: COM TST Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle

Reporting Office: RSO TOC - Baghdad

Summary: On 18 January 2007 at approximately 1019 hrs, a vehicle COM PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) motorcade en-route to the Hashimi Mosque encountered an aggressive red four-door Opel sedan driven by one military age male. The TST motorcade was turning left at a four-way intersection when the Opel, located approximately 75 meters to the right of the motorcade, drove through stopped traffic and aggressively approached the motorcade. The turret gunner of the command vehicle gave hand and verbal signals and at approximately 1 fired a pen flare to stop the Opel. At approximately 1 > the turret gunner fired two well-aimed bounds into the grill of the Opel. The Opel then came to a complete stop. The driver exited the Opel, checked his vehicle and did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

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RSO Action: PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.

Location: Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

Drafted By: Roqu"©Salas ; W«?toh<*)Tfieer,*-Bagfid'ad, Iraq*»I

Cleared: Lance Bailey, Acting DRSO Baghdad

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INCIDENT REPORT
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Date of Report: 18 Jan 07

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Location: Vicinity of ZTJL.I1H -- - .11

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 18 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1019

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

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Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity of

Personnel Involved: I

Incident Synopsis: On 18 Jan 07, at approximately 1019 hours, _____ a Tactical Support Team motorcade comprised of] vehicles, was in route to venueHP _____) In the vicinity of) ia vehicle approached the motorcade resulting in a weapons discharge to disable the vehicle.'^ _____(continued on mission without further incident. There

were no injuries to COM Personnel and no damage to any of the vehicles.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

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REGIONAL SECURITY
BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00044Impact: MEDIUM
Status: CLOSED**Required Case Info:**

Case Title: 18 JAM 07 Escalation of Force

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- GENERAL

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-03122

Optional Case Info:

Impact: MEDIUM

Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

- IRAQ

Violations:

- 18 USC Other
- OTHER

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

Case Origin/Source:

Source Organization: Baghdad Regional Security Office, High Threat Protection Office

Name: PSD tic-

Phone:

Source Comments:

Personnel Assignment:

Gibert, Ricardo. ARSO BAGM^D

Synopsis:

On 18 January 2007 at approximately 1019 hrs, a vehicle COM PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) motorcade en-route to the Hash.m. Mosque encountered an aggressive red four-door Opel sedan driven by one military age male. The TST motorcade was turning left at a four-way intersection when the Opel, located approximately 75 meters to the right of the motorcade, drove through stopped traffic and aggressively approached the motorcade. The turret gunner of the command vehicle, fired a flare to stop the Opel. At approximately J the turret gunner fired two well-aimed rounds into the grill of the Opel. The Opel then came to a complete stop. The driver exited the Opel, checked his vehicle and did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

Primary Subjects:**Case Reports:**

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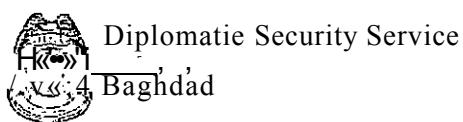
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Related Cases:**Outstanding Warrants:****Status History:**

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

DS Case Number	Case Title	ROI Type	Report Date
RS-2007-00105	18 JAN 07 Escalation of Force. b7E,F	CASE FINAL	23-JAN-07
Case Type	Program	Dates Investigated	
ADMINISTRATE	REGIONAL SECURITY	18-JAN-07 - 23-JAN-07	
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I. INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITIES

Title 22 USC § 3927, Chief of Mission Authority.

Title 22 USC § 2709, General Authority, DSS Special Agents.

12 FAM § 220, Investigations & § 221.4, DS Personnel Authorized to Conduct Investigations

II. DETAILS

On January 18 2007 at approximately 1019 hrs, a Zehicle Chief of Mission (COM) Tactical Support Team (TST) enount^d an aggressive red four-door Opel sedan driven by one mritoy age male. The TST motorcade was turning left at a four-way intersection when the Opel, located approximately 75 meters to the right of the motorcade, drove through stopped traffic and aggressively approached the motorcade. The turret gunner of the command vehicle (vehicle) gave hand and verbal signals and at approximately [redacted] fired a pen flare to stop the Opel. At approximately [redacted] the turret gunner fired two well-aimed [redacted] rounds into the grill of the Opel. The Opel then came to a complete stop. The driver exited the Opel, checked his vehicle and did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during this engagement.

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III. INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

A. Compliance with Mission Rules of Engagement

Reporting Agent (RA) Ricardo Gibert reviewed American Embassy Baghdad Mission Firearms Policy (Policy). The Policy also provides "Rules of Engagement" for personnel security specialist (PSS) allowing for permissible use of deadly force when:

fail. Thus, employing deadly force is permissible when there is no safe alternative to using such force, and without it the PSS would face imminent and grave danger. A PSS is not required to place himself or herself, another PSS, or the public in unreasonable danger of death or serious physical injury before using deadly force. The PSS will fire at a person in response to an imminent threat of deadly force or serious physical injury against the PSS, protectees, or other individuals."

See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9.

The Policy authorizes shooting to disable vehicles as part of approved Rules of Engagement, providing that:

"Shooting at a vehicle is authorized if it constitutes the appropriate level of force to mitigate a threat. However, prior to a shot being fired, the totality of the circumstances must take into consideration to include current

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threat specifically ^ some threats, number and nature of occupants in the oncoming vehicle, riding dynamics of the oncoming vehicle. tirt^ef am current beaju.j. o~~o~~ ^ ^

Likewise, the policy specifically provides for the shooting at engine/grille, prodding that:

"If the oncoming vehicle presents a threat, agents and PSS are authorized to shoot into the grille / engine compartment to demobilize the vehicle. Agents and PSS are authorized discretion to determine the number of rounds fired into the grille / engine compartment to stop the threat. If the vehicle continues, the escalation of deadly force is authorized to mitigate the threat and prevent the oncoming vehicle from penetrating the motorcade." See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9.

The Baghdad threat level precludes RSO personnel from investigating the scene of the shooting due to the threat of attack by anti-coalition forces. Therefore, RA was precluded from locating possible witnesses or the disposition of occupant in the vehicle that was disabled by TST security personnel.

On January 18, 2007, at approximate, 1430, RA interviewed the TST Teams members involved. The TST members were also required to provide written statements. Based solely on the news and the statements of members complied with COM firearms policy. The TST a pen flare, before resorting to shooting to disable the vehicle. They Probable cause based on.. include the use of reasonable use of force to deter a possible VBIED threat. The resu stop stop to aggressive vehicle posed. The occupant of the vehicle appeared to be unharmed. No further action taken/required by Baghdad RSO.

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Sworn Statement

Date 18 January 2007	Time 1330 Hrs	I
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq		

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I, _____ hereby make the following statement at the request of

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nistrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of
official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel
Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully
and accurately. I agree that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by
reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding except that if I wilfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted under the
United States Code Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence
I supply may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in
disciplinary action, including dismissal

General Military/Civilian Experience

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In (_____) I attended Triple Canopy WPPS II training where I received training in aspects of protective security operations in a high threat environment. This training included the aspects of protective security, shooting from a moving platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations.

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In (_____) I took a contract with Blackwater Security and am currently working in (_____) of Blackwater's WPPS contract with the Department of State WPPS

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environment. This training included the use of platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations. I am currently assigned to the Tactical Support Team where I serve as a (_____) Since joining my team I have trained many hours with my team and we are briefed before each mission on the proper use of force and proper escalation of force. Additionally, we are briefed each morning from our Intel staff to all "known" threats in the area ranging from the (_____) potential attack areas.

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Incident

On 18 January 2007 at approximately 0930 hrs, I _____ conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearm Policy and Escalation of Force. The routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Tactical Commander.

At approximately 1020hrs, we Z I Z D were traveling in support of _____ with our vehicle motorcade. I was assigned to the Command Vehicle which is the vehicle in the motorcade. My position was in the rear of the Bearcat Armored Vehicle as a _____. My sector of coverage was out of the passenger side of the vehicle looking north.

As we approached the traffic circle known as C 3 e had our emergency W i ™ siren activated to alert oncoming traffic to our movement. As we began to turn left towards the circle, I observed all traffic north of the circle was stopped by Iraqi Police (IPs). I then observed a red 4-Door sedan with one male occupant heading directly towards our motorcade, maneuvering around stopped vehicles and disregarding the IP's instructions to stop. I observed this vehicle initially at approximately 75 meters out. I immediately called out the vehicle to my teammates. The vehicle continued aggressively in our direction, simultaneously I heard our Turret PSS. I _____ ye» "9 for the vehicle to stop. I then observed _____ fire 1 pen flare at the vehicle which struck the roof of the sedan. At this point the vehicle did not stop. I then heard what appeared to be two rounds fired from the turret position. The rounds were fired at the vehicle at a distance of approximately _____ and the vehicle immediately began to stop. At the time the rounds were fired the vehicle was on a direct course of travel to impact our command vehicle and potentially "T-Bone" our vehicle.

Once we completed the left turn, I continued to monitor the situation behind us; and observed the driver get out of the vehicle and the IPs immediately detain the subject and put him on the ground.

We then continued on to our destination in support of 1 "" without any other TOC was immediately informed of the situation via radio by my Shift Leader, _____ / t i w

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address	
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 19th day of January, 2007.

Signed 
Printed RICARDO GIBERT 

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature	
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Date 01-18-2007	Time 1330 Hrs
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq	

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I hereby make the following statement at the request of

Ricardo Cix&fGOT who has been identified to me as a Special Agent off the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any Information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Experience

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I am currently working for Backwater Security in Iraq as part of the Department of State WPPS program. Prior to deploying to Iraq I attended the Blackwater DSS WPPS II training course where I received training in all Aspects of protective security operations in a high threat environment. This training included the use of J _____, shooting from a moving platform shoot/no shoot&cSWri&sj 4M t^m.effrently assigned to the

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Tactical Support Team. During this time I have served as a fire team member and I have been assigned to the turret. I have conducted numerous missions in support of PSD teams.

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On 01-18-2007 I was assigned to P₁ land was working the turret position in the command vehicle, which was a Bearcat and th^{el} ^ vehicle in ouif ^ vehicle motorcade. b 7f i-

At approximately 0930 Hrs on January 18, 2006, I attended a pre-mission brief which was given by thei _____ Shift Leader, ^ The briefing included, but was not limited to, the rules of engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken and intelligence pertinent to our area of operations for the day. b7C

I was in direct support off 1 was condeing a site survey of the Al-Sad^x, residence in the Al-Kadimiyah District for a future mission. I departed from Check Point and we followed them approximately later. We departed _checkppint_ in route to FOB Independence, where we were going to stage in support of I As we were approaching the intersection known as ^ we had the emergency lights and siren activated to warn oncoming traffic of our movement. As we began to turn left towards ^ J I observed the Iraqi Police holding} traffic at the intersection. The first vehicles in our motorcade were able to make the turn without incident. While scanning my sector I observed a red in color Opal vehicle moving through the stopped traffic, approximately 75 meters away. I gave the vehicle hand and arm signals and verbal commands to stop ^ The vehicle's driver disregarded my signals. The suspect vehicle was now approximately ^ from our vehicle and I fired 1 pen flare at the vehicle in attempt to get the vehicle to stop. The flare struck the roof of the vehicle, but the vehicle continued to drive toward our motorcade. The suspect vehicle was now less than ^ way and heading directly for our vehicle, the Command vehicle. I also observed the suspect vehicle to be occupied by a lone Iraqi male. Based on my training and knowledge of previous VBIED "Vehicle Borne Explosive Improvised Devise" attacks, I know that it is common for VBIED attacks to be carried out by a lone individual. Due to the recent spike in VBIED attacks and this particular suspect vehicle matching the description of a vehicle listed on a previous Bolo report of suspected VBIED's, I was in fear for my life and in fear of the lives of my fellow teammates. I fired two rounds from my Department of State issued] rifle into the grill of the vehicle. The vehicle stopped immediately. L7E,F

Our vehicle continued to the right and turned left towards! I observed the suspect vehicle's occupant getting out of the vehicle. The subject appeared to be unharmed when he exited the vehicle and was met by Iraqi Police. The Iraqi Police placed the male subject on the ground and appeared to be detaining him. I advised my Shift leader, ^ that I had fired shots to disable the red Opal, and that the driver appeared uninjured. Our motorcade continued to FOB Independence without further incident. Upon completing our day's mission in support of ^ we returned to ^ without incident./END/ b7C b7E,F

I hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Address	WPPS Camp Baghdad	

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 19th day of January, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature		
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January 20, 2007

SPOT REPORT - 012007-04**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire Attack against Basrah Palace**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

SUMMARY: On 01/20/07 at 1920 hours, four rounds of indirect fire (IDF) were launched against the Basrah Palace compound. Two rounds landed on the [] portion of the Basrah Palace. Two additional rounds landed outside of the compound, exact locations are unknown. The rounds were suspected to have been fired from two different firing points. Upon seeing the launches from across the Shatt-Al-Arab River, U.S. REO static guards opened fire on the launch point with 10-15 rounds of 7.62mm. It is unclear if there were any enemy casualties. There were no injuries or casualties on the Basrah Palace compound.

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RSO ACTION: The duck and cover alarm was sounded, all personnel donned PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and were restricted to hardcover bunkers/buildings. All personnel were accounted for. Basrah TOC gave the "all clear" announcement at approximately! [] hours. REO Basrah is on a continued state of alert. RSO continues to coordinate with coalition forces regarding the daily attacks. All personnel are currently required to wear their PPE while outdoors.

DRAFTED BY: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah**CLEARED BY:** Lance Bailey, Acting DRSO Baghdad

INCIDENT REPORT
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Date of Report: 20 Jan 07
Location: Basrah, Iraq
Task Order: 007

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Person Releasing Report: Tracy Carroll
Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

Date of Incident: t S f c f f

Time of Incident: Annex 1000

Contractor Involved: Triple Canopy, Inc.

Detail Location of Incident: U.S. Embassy Compound

Outline injuries if applicable:

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:

Personnel Notified of Incident: Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: None

Additional Reports Generated: None

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Date of Report: 22 Jan 07

Location: Vicinity off

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Task Order: 6

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Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 22 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 0951

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

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Detail Location of Incident: 1 Kilometer South-West of the Baghdad Rail Station

Personnel Involved: { }

Incident Synopsis: On 22 Jan 07[^] approximately 0951 h o u_r_s a Tactical Support Team motorcade comprised of vehicles, was in route, to the International Zone after providing supporting fori_____. As the motorcade was crossing an intersection approximately 1 kilometer South-West of the Baghdad Rail Station, a grey van approached the motorcade resulting in a weapons discharge to disable the vehicle, j_____[^] continued on mission without further incident. There were no injuries to COM Personnel and no damage to any of the team vehicles.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

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REGIONAL SECURITY
BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00045Impact: MEDIUM
Status: CLOSED**[Re]RefretBas Info****Case Title:** 22 Jan 07 Escalation of Force**Status:** CLOSED**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATIVE**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY**Categories:**

- GENERAL

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-03123**Synopsis:**

On January 22, 2007, at approximately 0951 hrs, a f _ vehicle Chief of Mission Tactical Support Team (TST> motorcade en-route to the International Zone encountered an aggressive vehicle, a grey van driven by one military age male. The TST motorcade, while in congested traffic was turning left at a four-way intersection when the van, located 50 meters to the right of the motorcade, acknowledged the motorcade signals by the turret gunner and stopped. However, the van started to move towards the motorcade as soon as visual contact was lost between the driver and the turret gunner. The rear gunner (who had visual contact from the vehicle's fire port) of the command vehicle i _ vehicle signaled with his weapon for the van to stop. The van failed To stop and at approximately _____ the rear gunner fired two well-aimed l _ rounds into the grill of the van. The van then came to a complete stop. The driver held his hands up and did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

Optional Case Info**Impact:** MEDIUM**Primary Subjects****Principal Judicial District:****Due Date:****Case Reports****Date****Snippet**

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

DECLASSEMENT

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RS-2007-00107	22 Jan 07 Escalation of Force telC.F	CASE FINAL	26-JAN-07
Case Type	Program	Dates Investigated	
ADMINISTRATIVE	REGIONAL SECURITY	22-JAN-07 - 24-JAN-07	
Case Impact	Case Status	Open/Close Case Dates	
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I. INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITIES

Title 22 USC § 3927, Chief of Mission Authority.

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12 FAM § 220, Investigations & § 221.4, DS Personnel Authorized to Conduct Investigations

II. DETAILS

On January 22, 2007, at approximately 0951 hrs, a [REDACTED] vehicle Chief of Mission Tactical Support Team (TST) motorcade enroute to the International Zone encountered an aggressive chicle, a grey van driven by one male age mate. The TST motorcade while in congested traffic was turning left at a four-way intersection when the van, located 50 meters to the right of the motorcade acknowledged the motorcade signals by the turret gunner and stopped. However, the van started to move [REDACTED] as soon as visual contact was lost between the driver and the [REDACTED] rear gunner (who had visual contact from the vehicle's fire port) of the command vehicle [7 vehicle) signaled with his weapon for the van to stop. Then a [REDACTED] and at approximately [REDACTED] the rear gunner fired two well-aimed rounds into the [REDACTED] van. The van then came to a complete stop. The driver held his hands up and did not appear to be injured. The COM TST [REDACTED] ended the situation [REDACTED] further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during

III. INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

A. Compliance with Mission Rules of Engagement

Reporting Agent (RA) Ricardo Gibert reviewed American Embassy Baghdad Mission Firearms Policy (Policy). The Policy also provides "Rules of Engagement" for personnel security specialist (PSS) allowing for permissible use of deadly force when

"all other available means of preventing imminent and grav* danger to PSS or other persons have failed *or would be* likely to fail. **Thus** employing deadly force is permissible when there is no safe alternative to using such force, and *without* the PSS r ^ ^ U i l and grave danger. A PSS is not „quired to place ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ in unreasonable danger of death or serious physical injury before using deadly force. The PSS will fire at a person, only „response to an imminent threat of deadly force" or serious physical injury against the PSS, protectees, or other individuals.

See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9.

The Policy authorizes shooting to disable vehicles as part of approved Rules of Engagement, providing that:

"Shooting at a vehicle is authorized if it constitutes the appropriate level of force to mitigate a threat. However, prior to a shot

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beina fired the totality of the circumstances ^rroun'din^the afuatioWhaS to fceSSRefljr5B<fcc*federation to include current threat information specifically identifying potential vehicle borne threats, number and nature of occupants in the oncoming vehicle, riding dynamics of the oncoming vehicle, time of day, and current location. Se<t.s%Ton Firearms Policy, Kg.y

Likewise, the policy specifically provides for the shooting at engine/grille, providing that:

"If the oncoming vehicle presents a threat, [redacted] Diplomatic Security agents and PSS are authorized to shoot into the grille / engine compartment to demobilize the vehicle. Agents and PSS are authorized discretion to determine the number of rounds fired into the grille / engine compartment to stop the threat. If the continuation of the escalation of deadly force is authorized to mitigate the threat and prevent the oncoming vehicle from penetrating the motorcade." See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9.

The Baohdad threat level precludes RSO personnel from investigating the scene of the shooting due to the threat of attack by Iiti^oalillon for S. Therefore, RA was precluded from locating possible witnesses or the disposition of occupants in the vehicles that were disabled by TST security personnel.

On January 22 2007 at approximately 1030, RA interviewed the TST Teams members involved. The IST members were also "Subject to ^dewntten statements". Based solely on the interns and the statements provided, RA believes that TST members complied with COM firearms policy. The TST members gave several verbal and hand warnings, that the driver of the vehicle acknowledged. The driver then aggressively moved towards the motorcade after stopping. The TST member resorted to shouting to deter the threat posed. They had probable cause, based on the history, ^ ^ ^ of being attacked by vehicle borne impose explosive device (VBIED) to use force to stop ^ reasonable use offeree to deter a possible VBIED threat. The resulting action immediately stopped the threat that the Aggressive SISSpfied. The occupant of the vehicle appeared to be unharmed. No action taken/required by Baghdad RSO.

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Sworn Statement

Date 01-22-2007	Time 1300Hrs
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq <	

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I hereby make the following statement at the request of

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement was made in
inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper

performance of official duties and that disciplinary action may be taken if I refuse to
Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract; I further understand that neither my
provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my
statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against
me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or
information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section

1. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may

be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action,
including dismissal.

General Experience

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In r - — 1 , attended the Blackwater USA Department of State WPPS II Course (WPPS M)'
where I received extensive training in all aspects of protective security operations "from a
threat environment. This training included the use of firearms, moving platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations.

In I attended the Blackwater USA - I ^ ^ • i J ^ ^ r t i n n o o " ^ 6 ' W N i e In ' t h e r course, I received further training in target detection and observation,
shoot/no shoot scenarios, marksmanship, and long range marksmanship.

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Since I have been deployed to Baghdad, Iraq as P f A ^ ^ S s u p p ^ r t
WPpVcaTa7t^th the Department of State and as a member of Z ^ (Tactical Support
Team, During this time I have served as a fire-team member and
I have conducted numerous missions in support of PbU teams.

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DECIMALS AND FRACTIONS

Incident

On January 22, 2007 I was assigned to! "I a n d was workingjhe J-re-tea m position in the command vehicle, which was a Puma and the, ____ vehicle in our ____ vehicle motorcade.

At approximately 0730 on January 22, 2007, I attended a pre-mission brief which was given by [REDACTED] Shift Leader, [REDACTED]. The briefing included, but was not limited to the rules of engagement per the Mission Firearms, escalation of force, and routes to be taken. In addition, [REDACTED] Shift Leader [REDACTED] briefed our team on the day's upcoming missions, including the escalation of force timeline prior to January 22, 2007.

i was in direct support of " when we departed checkpoint en-route to FOB independence w f a S at FOB Independence without incident where we staged for approximately twenty minutes. Upon _____ isafe arrival at their^venue. we departed FOB Independence to return to the International Zone and stage for follow-on missions.

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the vicinity o f^~ of our movement. As the motorcade wgas crossing themedja^at . . .
I was alerted "to" a vehicle on our left by the command vehicle's tuffet PSS,|
^verbal^arnS^ I turned to see aigrey in ; or. older model van with one male occupant also
traveling counter-flow on a road directly parallel ^ m e r g . n g. into Rou'e
witnessed the driver of the vancomply with P H..... warning, stopping his veh.cle
approximately 50 meters away from the left side of the motorcade.

The command vehicle were using (a Puma) is equipped with only one turret

I shifted my view to the rear window and saw the lone male driver orient the van's wheels in my direction and accelerate directly into the path of our motorcade and our direction. Due to the close distance of the van I then produced the muzzle of my Department of State issued rifle out the rear port of our vehicle. I repeatedly waved the muzzle in an "up and down" motion to alert the van's driver while giving the verbal command of "Kir" in an attempt to get the driver to stop.

The male driver looked directly at the weapon and continued to accelerate towards the motorcade disregarding my visual and verbal attempts to stop the vehicle. The male driver also ignored the "Warning, Stay Back 100 Meters" sign which is both in English and Arabic on the back of our vehicle. Based on the totality of the circumstances, and on my experience and knowledge of improvised explosive devices (VBIED's), I considered the driver to be a threat, and feared for the safety of the members of the motorcade. As the vehicle closed to within, _____, the male driver immediately came

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to a complete stop. The male driver of the van raised his arms in the air, up and away from the steering wheel, in the 'I give up' manner. The driver appeared to be unharmed.

I immediately advised my Vehicle Commander and Shift leader, _____ that I had fired two disabling rounds at the grey van. I informed him that the vehicle had stopped and the driver appeared to be uninjured. My shift leader informed the RSO TOC of the incident and we returned to the International Zone Without further incident./END/

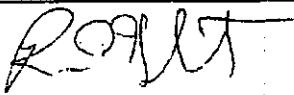
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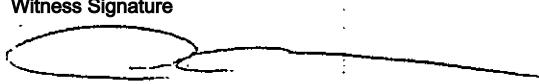
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this rd day of January, 2007.

Signed	
Printed	RICARDO GIBERT

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Sworn Statement

Date 22 January 2007	Time 1330 Hrs
Location WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq	

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I, _____, hereby make the following statement at the request
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General Military/Civillian Experience

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In f _____ I attended the Blackwater USA Department of State WPPS II Course (WPPS II), where I received extensive training in all aspects of protective security operations in a high threat environment. During this course I received training in the use of _____ shooting from a moving platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations.

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S i n c e 1 have been deployed to Baghdad, Iraq as part of the Blackwater USA WPPS contract with the Department of State and as a member of _____ Tactical Support Team. During this time I have served as a driver, fire team member, and turret PSS. I have conducted numerous missions in support of PSP teams.

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On 21 January 2007 at 1915, [redacted] conducted a premission brief. This brief was conducted by my shift leader, [redacted] for the following day's mission. The pre-mission brief covered rules of engagement per Mission Firearms Policy, escalation of force, vehicle assignments, and the teams we would be supporting the following day. I was assigned as the turret position in the command vehicle which [redacted] vehicle in the [redacted] vehicle. The command vehicle for the mission was a Puma.

On 22 January 2007 at approximately 0730, I received another brief by my Shift Leader on the day's missions, rules of engagement, the escalation of force, and intel. The routes and venues were then briefed by our tactical commander prior to the team departing their staging area.

At approximately 0745, we departed [redacted] to stage at Checkpoint 1 support off [redacted]. From Checkpoint 1, we moved to FOB Independence to support [redacted]. Upon completion of providing support for [redacted] began movement back to [redacted] to stage and be prepared to provide additional support for follow on missions of other [redacted] Teams operating in the Red Zone.

As P [redacted] F.O.B. Independence, our motorcade traveled southeast on route [redacted] and approached [redacted]. While approaching [redacted] we crossed the median separating the road [redacted].

[redacted] Thelriotorcade was utilizing horns emergency lights and sirens to notify traffic in the vicinity of [redacted] to our movement and the vehicles all had signs on the rear of the vehicles which stated in Arabic and English 'Warning, Stay Back 100 Meters'.

As we were moving through [redacted] and turning left towards [redacted] I noticed a grey van with a single male occupant that was in the process of counterflowing through traffic towards our motorcade. The van was approaching our motorcade from our nine o'clock position at a moderate rate of speed. Upon identifying the van as a possible threat to the safety of the motorcade, I immediately gave the driver of the van a visual "stop" signal with my hand and verbal warning of "Kif". The driver of the van acknowledged my warnings and began to slow the speed of the van eventually coming to a complete stop approximately 50 meters away from our motorcade. My weapon was pointed at the occupant of the van at which time he held his hands in the air. As we began to move past the threat I continued to scan my sector of fire looking ahead for any more potential threats to the motorcade.

Several seconds later, I heard two shots fired from the rear of my vehicle. Upon hearing the shots, I continued to scan my sector. My Shift Leader immediately informed the team and the RSO TOO of the 2 shots fired by the fireteam member inside of the command vehicle to disable the van which I later learned, had started driving toward our motorcade again, after originally yielding to my commands to stop. He also informed the RSO TOO that there was no injury to the driver of the van. We then continued to the International Zone to stage for follow-on missions without further incident./END/

[redacted] jPjge-gof^Pjgps [redacted]

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 1 day of January, 2007.

Signed 
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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

22 January 2007

Spot Report - 012207-02

Subject: RSO Aviation Crew Member Hit with Shrapnel.

Reporting Office: RSO TOC - Baghdad

Summary:

On 22 January 2007 at approximately 1212 hrs, the pilot of a RSO Little Bird (Hughes 530) was hit with shrapnel in the left leg while conducting aerial route reconnaissance in support of a COM PSD team. The helicopter was part of a 1 helicopter RSO PSD aerial support package.

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Located in the left seat, the pilot was struck in the left leg with shrapnel of unknown origin. It is believed the shrapnel was caused by small arms fire. The pilot was transported to the 28th CSH following the incident, treated for lacerations, and released at 1255. There was minor damage to the left door of the Hughes 530 helicopter.

There were no further injuries to COM personnel or damage to equipment during this incident.

RSO Action: Debriefing helicopter crew members - written statements forthcoming.

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INCIDENT REPORT

This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.

Date of Report: 22Jan07 **Location:** Vicinity of [REDACTED]

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 22 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1211

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Vicinity of [REDACTED]

Personnel Involved: DOS Air Assets (Hughes 530)

Incident Synopsis: On 22 Jan 07, at approximately 1211 hours, DOS Air Assets (Hughes 530) were conducting a route recon in support of [REDACTED] In the vicinity of the Ministry of the Interior and the ministry of Oil / [REDACTED] the Pilot of the Aircraft (left side) was struck by an object. The Aircraft radioed the RSO TOC of the situation and that they were returning to the Combat Hospital (10th CSH) in the International Zone. The Pilot was treated for fragment wounds and then released. DOS Air Assets then swapped out pilots and continued on with the missions for the day. No other COM personnel were injured and there was no damage to other Aircraft.

Outline injuries if applicable: Fragmentation to Pilot.

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW AIR OPS, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 23, 2007

**SPOT REPORT 012307-02****SUBJECT:** Complex Attack on COM PSD Resulting in Five KIA.**REPORTING OFFICE:** U.S. Embassy Baghdad

SUMMARY: On 01/23/07 at 0941, a RSO ^{j^1Z} Personal Security Detail (PSD) team arrived with two principals at the Municipalities and Public Works Annex building (MMPW) for a scheduled meeting. At 1113, the ^{"1"} ^{"1"} reported receiving heavy direct SAF. At 1118, RSO Air Assets arrived in the vicinity of the MMPW and one round of SAF struck a RSO Little Bird (Hughes 530) helicopter door gunner in the head. The wounded door gunner was immediately transported via air to the 28th CSH and was later pronounced KIA.

During this engagement, three RSO Tactical Support Teams (TST) responded to the MMPW building to support the engaged PSD team, and received heavy SAF along the route and at the location. U.S. Army attack aviation and ground elements, including Striker units, also responded to the MMPW building during this period. The RSO ¹ of the MMPW venue remained engaged with a heavy volume of SAF.

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At 1150, RSO Air Assets returned to the scene and again received SAF causing one RSO Little Bird to l&id |f*th^"^inisiry ©fH^altJi ^ thjs:firqrftft later returned safely to base. A second RSO Little Bird crashed at an unknown location due to heavy SAF. RSO Air Assets, RSO ground elements, U.S. Army ground elements, and U.S. Military Unmanned Aerial Vehicles conducted an immediate search for the downed aircraft. During this period, the j _____ PSD team at the MMPW successfully evacuated the principals to the International Zone.

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At 1315, a U.S. Army Striker unit located and secured the crash site. RSO TST teams linked up with the Striker unit at 1323. All four of the Little Bird crewmembers were declared KIA at the scene. During the recovery, U.S. Army and RSO ground elements remained continuously engaged by an undetermined number of insurgents. The engagement included the use of U.S. Army attack aviation and heavy weapons mounted on the Striker vehicles. By 1456, all RSO ground elements evacuated the crash site and were secure in the International Zone.

Five RSO Little Bird crewmembers were KIA during this engagement. There were no other COM casualties during this engagement. There are numerous impacts of SAF on COM vehicles, as well as an undetermined amount of damage to equipment.

RSO ACTION: Team members are being debriefed, and written statements will be forthcoming. Coordination for the repatriation of the five KIA remains is ongoing.

DRAFTED BY: Scott Bruggemann, Watch Officer, Baghdad

APPROVED BY: Lance Bailey, Acting DRSO Baghdad



INCIDENT REPORT

This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.

Date of Report: 23 Jan 07 \l II* I l'l I /V 1 l. It b7E

Location: Vicinity of _____ 1* b7E

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 23 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1113

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Municipalities and Public Works Annex (MMPW) b7E

Personnel Involved: _____ DOS Air Assets (Hughes 530)

Incident Synopsis: On 23 Jan 07, _____ was on venue at the Municipalities and Public Works Annex (MMPW) building.

At approximately 1113 hours they reported receipt of heavy small arms fire. DOS Air Assets were contacted by RSO TOC and requested to provide aerial support. At 1118, the RSO Air Assets arrived in the vicinity of MMPW, and one round of SAF struck an RSO Air Asset door gunner in the cheek. At 1120, RSO Air Assets took their door gunner to the 28th CSH. This COM PSD member was pronounced KIA. During this engagement, the COM Tactical Support Teams (TST) [^] _____ responded to the MMPW building to support the engaged COM PSD teams, and received heavy SAF while in route and on location. Army attack aviation and Striker units also responded to the MMPW building during this period. The I _____ J. _____ from _____ [of the MMPW venue remained engaged with a heavy volume of SAF.

At 1150, the RSO Air Assets returned to the scene and again received SAF. This caused one RSO Air Asset to land at Ministry of Health. The other RSO Air Asset (Hughes 530) crashed at _____ approximately 700 meters southeast of the Municipalities and Public Works Annex due to heavy SAF. This location was not confirmed until 1315. The search for the downed RSO Air Asset began immediately. During this search, U.S. Army, COM PSD, and RSO Air Assets were continuously engaged with heavy SAF. Additional RSO Air Assets were requested and responded to the vicinity of the last known location of the downed RSO Air Asset.

At 1315, the Army Striker unit secured the crash site, and was engaged with a heavy volume of SAF. COM TST linked up with the Striker unit at 1323. All four COM PSD in the RSO Air Asset were declared KIA. U.S. Army, COM PSD, and COM TST remained continuously engaged by an undetermined number of insurgents during the evacuation of the 4 KIA remains. At 1541, all COM PSD elements were secure in the International Zone.

There were 5 RSO Air Asset members KIA during this engagement. There were no COM direct hires injured during this engagement. There were no other casualties, or injuries to COM personnel. There are numgr^usnjngactsjof S^AF v^elj as an undetermined amount of damage to equijfirienf! I *! I *. | ^S ... I^j

Outline injuries if applicable: 5 KIA.

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident Ks q; nIp, QO&OT' AIR QFS.EW SDE, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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<i>Blackwater USA</i>	<i>After Action Report (AAR)</i>	^A 25	Date/Time of Statement Hrs.
Name J	Team 1	Situation Down Aircraft	
Location/Avenue [REDACTED]		Time Occurred - /Jpprox; 15200 in-c	Date Occurred 23 January 2007

The following after action report reflects, in summary, the actions of the Blackwater WPPS Baghdad () in relation to the evacuation of _____ principal from the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works Annex and the response to two downed MD-530 aircraft in the vicinity of [] and [] elements involved were as follows: Tactical Support Team' _____ ^Tactical Support Team} _____ Counter Assault Teamf _____ j, and Tactical Support Team^ _____ j.

On January 23, 2007 at approximately 1120 Hrs [] Counter Assault Team [] and []
Tactical Support Team (TST) responded from Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shields in support off.
[] PSD [] whose f...." [] were engaged with sniper fire at the Ministry
of Municipalities and Public Works Annex ^ [].

While en-route, responding units were notified that a Blackwater Air gunner had been hit and that Air was transporting him to the Combat Support Hospital (CSH). As [] and [] iTST continued to [] jvenue, Blackwater Air again responded to [] venue with two MD-530 Aircraft. As! [] (proceeded north on route [] * two Iraqi National Guard (ING) HMMWV's were observed passing them on the left side of the roadway and then blocking north bound traffic at the intersection known as¹ []. The ING's directed [] to pass them at which time[^] [] immediately observed the absence of vehicle and pedestrian traffic on route [] north of []. Once North of [], was engaged with a large volume of small arms fire from both sides of the roadway from both elevated and street level positions, i [] ^Turret Position Protective Security Specialists (PSS) engaged the threats with Department of State issued [] pushed through the attack and was able to break contact after reaching the intersection known as [] 1 linked with []. As a result of the contact [] had sustained a flat tire to the lead Mamba vehicle, j [] crossed bridge and hard pointed to repair the damage while " continued to [] in support of [] J

At this time a tactical command center was established in the Blackwater administrative offices. Personnel present included/*"

this location} IDTAn3T5DrTcc)ordinatedii (Teams tasking, re-supply and support operations between teams and via the RSO TOC

At approximately 1148 hrsf _____ i TST departed I _____ in support off" _____ \n d!" _____ TST was tasked with locking down the intersection known as{ _____ in order to facilitate the evacuation of _____ ,and their principal escorted with/_____ j As' _____ crossed Bridge _____ and entered the intersection known aft _____ they were engaged with small arms fire,\ _____ j turret position PSS engaged the threats with_____,and _____ i and pushed through the attack.

At approximately 1150 hrs all responding units were advised that two Blackwater jVLD-530 aircraft had received fire, one had made an emergency landing at the Ministry of Heath _____ and the other had gone down east of the Tigris River between bridges "" and | ~ *|

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Blackwater USA	After Action Report (AAR)	Bjgjgl	Date/Time of Statement 25 January 2007/1500 Hrs.
Name C 71	Team 1	Situation Down Aircraft	
Location/Venue " "		Time Occurred tEproj.. t^SO^s	Date Occurred 23 January 2007

At approximately 1150 hrs^{E,F} TST departed for the Ministry of Health to assist the Air element that made the emergency landing after taking small arms fire. Simultaneously, CAT and TST began to search for the downed aircraft in the vicinity of Bridges^A and

At this time, two additional Counter Assault Teams " configuration) were stood up with elements of and staged at

At approximately 1158 Hrs^E completed repairs to their vehicle and began to search for the downed aircraft in the vicinity of bridge^A and As! proceeded south on Haifa Street, just south of the intersection known as^A (they observed the neighborhood to be void of all pedestrian and vehicle traffic). immediately began receiving small arms and heavy machine gun fire from both sides of the roadway. I turret position PSS's engaged the attackers and were again able to push through the AIF attack. / and J linked up and headed east toward bridge^A. As both elements approached Bridge^A they were again attacked by small arms, heavy machine guns, and hand grenades; both elements returned effective fire. \ then turned north prior to bridge\ and continued east across the bridge. As a result of the attack, / sustained another damaged tire from small arms fire and received moderate damage to the Lead vehicle from a hand grenade. The follow vehicle Turret position PSS, I also received minor facial and head injuries. I effectively returned fire, pushed through the attack, and after evaluating the vehicle returned to j, where the vehicle was replaced with a vehicle on stand-by and the injured personnel was replaced and taken to the CSH. f then immediately returned to the vicinity of to continue searching for the aircraft and crew of the downed "Little Bird's".

At approximately 1210 hrs^E stopped on the east side of bridge^A and made contact with the U.S. Army 520th Strykers who advise that they were also searching for our missing aircraft. The Stryker unit began conducting dismounted operations in the area. After completing the tire change, V proceeded north to begin searching the east bank of the Tigris River between bridges^A and J just west of route^A. L again suffered a flat tire from AIF small arms, and being unable to continue on mission, stopped approximately 75 meters south west of a and dismounted to conduct another tire change. While dismounted, J observed several subjects barricading the roadway to the south of their location. Upon completion of tire change! continued northbound where they again met with the Stryker unit. The Stryker unit personnel stated that they had no new information.

By this time the TOC had reported several possible grid locations for the downed aircraft, all of which were checked by D and with negative results.

At approximately 1220 hrs^E i TST evacuated principal,^ into a Saxon Armored vehicle and began transporting her and the rest of^A back to the International Zone. During* movement they received small arms contact north of) Turret Position PSS's returned fire, successfully defending themselves and [J as they moved back to the International Zone with J and ^ Upon^ arrival in the International Zone, (turned) f back over to "find re-supplied with ammunition and water and returned to the area of j

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Blackwater USA	After Action Report (AAR)		Date/Time of Statement 25 January 2007/1500 Hrs.
Name ET	Team " i	Situation J	Down Aircraft
Location/Venue J	Time Occurred TMC :poor^	Date Occurred 23 January 2007	

to join the search for the missing aircraft and its crew and to re-supply _____ and _____. Upon returning to the search area _____ was again engaged with small arms and heavy machine gun fire on an alleyway north of _____. Land north east of route f _____.

At approximately 1215 ^ ! entered the intersection know as f~" was immediately engaged with small arms and heavy machine gun fire by AIF, V. returned fire and remained in contact until clearing y j At approximately 1223 hrs, l arrived in the vicinity of Ministry of Health at which time they were advised that the damaged aircraft had been able to take off and return to LZ Washington for repairs with all personnel. ! then responded to the Area of _____ to provide direct support and join the search for the still missing Aircraft and crew.

At approximately 1315 Hrs^ _____ again met with the Stryker Team, and was advised that the Stryker Team had located the second downed aircraft and recovered its four missing personnel. _____ /deployed an _____ team to a location behind the Stryker's improvised perimeter and with U.S. Army personnel were shown the body bags containing our four missing Aircraft Crew members. ^ _____ jwas advised by the Stryker element that the two of the men were recovered from the crash site and the other two were recovered in an alley adjacent to the crash site where it appeared that they had been dragged by insurgents. Along with members of the Stryker Element,f_____ proceeded on foot to the crash site and secured the area. _____ then signaled to circling Blackwater Air units to identify the location.¹ _____.team members observed the airframe to have been penetrated numerous times by what appeared to be large caliber ammunition. The aircraft had come to rest on its right side with the tail boom having been separated from the aircraft during impact. The main rotor blades protruded no more than 2 feet above the ground.

At approximately 1321 Hrs elements off [the aircraft. Upon completion of] requested that the Army¹ [the aircraft. While Army requested permission to utilize the "members of [landLj remained at the crash site and the remainder off [ground forces returned to the Strykers to assist in securing the casualties.

At approximately 1335 Hrs [REDACTED] arrived at the crash site location and met with members of [REDACTED] I [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] assisted in [REDACTED] land securing the casualties from the aircraft.

At approximately 1345 Hrs, MD-530 Lead Pilot along with 1 Shift Leader positively identified the casualties as the missing MD-530 crew members. At this time members off loaded the casualties into TST Emergency Recovery Vehicles (ERV's).

At approximately 1348^f [redacted] j departed the area with one casualty. After delivering the casualty to the CSH,^f [redacted] ^re-supplied with ammunition and staged at CP [redacted] Ifor further operations.

At approximately 1350 _____ and began receiving sniper fire at the crash site. ^
L _____ 11 L _____ of the vehicles and received an accountability report
for ^ personnel, advising that all team members were accounted for and that they were transporting
two casualties from the MD-530 in the ERV. At this time _____ began taking a large amount of

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automatic weapons fire and grenade attacks from the building directly above the motorcade. broke contact and moved toward the vicinity of at this time " Shift Leader was advised that dismounted elements from and had not been recovered yet, as they were pinned down by AIF fire in the alley leading away from the crash site. re-distributed ammunition, replaced a damaged ! ...and began engaging insurgent positions who were attacking' ~ | and effectively employed their crew served weapons, engaged a large group of armed insurgents assaulting' I and , dismounted elements.

At approximately 1351 Soldiers from the Stryker element returned to the crash site with/ and the MD-530 Aircraft was destroyed. The remaining ground element which consisted of U.S. Soldiers and elements of , J and began to maneuver toward route and their vehicles. As the element arrived at route they were engaged with harassing sniper fire from a tall building to the north of their location. The ground element was then pinned down in the alley leading from route' .. to the crash site between buildings. All teams and U.S. Army units were then again engaged by a high volume of heavy machine gun fire, sniper fire, grenade attacks and small arms fire from multiple locations. A large caliber machine gun began firing at the ground units, with its rounds penetrating the concrete walls of buildings adjacent to the ground elements position. All units returned effective fire. The engagement continued for approximately 40 minutes. At the fist lull in the exchange the ground element attempted to evacuate the area from a different route^ the alternate routes exposed the ground element to more hostile fire and they returned to their initial; point. During the exchange, the JPSS effectively engaged the large caliber machine gun with , rounds and the U.S. Army engaged with Apache attack helicopters,! and the dismounted ground element had no communication with the rest of the Elements or RSO TOC. During another lull in the firefight, a Stryker armored vehicle executed a blocking position at the 'fatal funnel' by moving to the mouth of the alley of the trapped ground element and aground element embarked the Stryker vehicle and were moved to the location of , Vehicles.) then returned team members to their vehicles.

At approximately 1435 all" -and personnel were present and accounted for and all remaining units departed the area of operations with Blackwater Air providing cover. [he , . ; ERV transported two casualties and the f ERV carried o h e . , and returned to the International Zone without further incident. Casualties were brought to the CSH.

After stopping at the CSH' staged at ECP ^ Staged at ECP gnd = " * ^ Staged at ECP] while f ~" J and[with elements of escorted (PSD Teams , and ^ J from the Ministry of Oil and ' and from the Ministry of Electricity^ ...) back to the International Zone. Once all^ elements were inside the International Zone, and returned to the^ " Staging Area and began to re-fit their vehicles and equipment. Damaged equipment and vehicles were serviced and returned to duty.

Upon arrival at the staging area all TST vehicles were found to have received numerous round impacts of various calibers. The^ lead vehicle was found to have also sustained several round impacts as

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well as damage to the front of the vehicle from the grenade attack. Three i _____ < Team members were injured during the operation. All injuries were minor and team members returned to duty after receiving proper medical attention./END//

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yfic- I served in the Vehicle on on the date of the subject incident. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on January 23, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, activities during the rescue of from the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works Annex (MMPWA) as well as the locating of a Blackwater Air asset that crashed approximately 350 meters south east of MMPWA located off Route f and the recovery of casualties. This incident occurred on 23 January 2007 beginning at approximately 1050 hours and concluding at approximately 1536 hours. personnel involved in this incident included the following:

On 22 January 2007 at 1700, (conducted a mission brief for the following day's mission. The mission brief included a detailed listing of teams operating in the red zone, the venues they would be visiting, and vehicle load plan for the day and the pre-mission briefing time for the next morning.

On 23 January 2007 at approximately 0930 hrs, (conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force. Routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Tactical Commander.

I mission was to support teams not covered by , While staged at received notification that I had received contact while on venue J. At 1115, /departed en-route to J to stage to assist. As I was responding to jthey were attacked in the vicinity of fand as a result had to" (in order to replace a flattened tire that had disabled their lead vehicle. Upon this event, J departed from Jto another and I route took them across bridge and through! As I passed through the intersection known as they were attacked by small arms and automatic weapons fire. The turret position PSS of the ERV and vehicles engaged the threat and pushed through the attack. J continued through the intersection and avoided the area of because' was informed that the area was heavy with AIF activity. As f proceeded on, they were advised that two Blackwater MD-530 aircraft had received fire and that one had made an emergency landing at the Ministry of Health and the other had gone down at an unknown location. jmade it to the vicinity of" [without further incident and established communications with to assist them on their way back to the IZ. entered the venue of jj and met with the 1* Shift Leader. The Shift Leader decided to place the I inside the IERV (Saxon armored vehicle) and placed vehicles within the motorcade. The I principal was then loaded and) and ^departed venue fort As and departed! they received small arms and heavy machine gun fire in the area north of pushed through the attack. J and continued back to the International Zone without further incident and returned^principal to them at the Staging area. {then restocked with ammunition and water and departed#^gain#to#hgl^yj th§ se^rqh of a downed 'Little Bird'. ^/departed' and tje vifciflityyaf* pfcJsearChfoJ- the^itc&ft. While searching the

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area east of the Tigris River between bridges' and received heavy fire from small arms and heavy machine guns while on the roadway north of The attack came from rooftops on both sides of the road. observed that the entire neighborhood was absent of foot traffic and only two vehicles were on the street. pushed through the attack while the turret position PSS engaged multiple AIF threats. I continued to the area of where they stopped and met with U.S. Army Strykers and Iraqi Army units in the area. The Shift Leader and fire team dismounted and began to search on foot for the downed aircraft. The /dismounted element, which consisted of the made their way through the neighborhood and were directed to the crash site by U.S. Army Soldiers. At the crash site linked with elements of and All elements assessed the situation and began to search the wreckage. shift lead was informed by the Army that they had already removed and bagged the bodies from the downed aircraft. coordinated with to take custody of the casualties and to the site. returned to its vehicles with one of the KLAs. Once had accountability of all personnel and gear, it made its way back to the IZ to drop off the KIA at the CASH.

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[redacted] returned to the IZ and delivered the KIA without incident. , then re-supplied with ammo and intended to return to assist to help the other teams still in the area of Jthat were in contact, j was ordered to stage at (until further advised. did not leave the IZ again and all teams returned to the IZ.

During the whole sequence of events Shift Lead *) advised the RSO TOC of the contact they had taken and their search efforts. He also advised there were no injuries or vehicle damage and that j was still operational. Once safely inside! jshift lead advised both his direct chain of command ([redacted] DL) and the RSO TOC of the complete chain of events.

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V _____ served as the _____ for the _____ follow HMMWV. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on January 23, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, _____ Counter Assault Team _____ activities during multiple minor engagements along with an extended engagement by hostile forces. _____ was responding to _____ to assist and aid _____ with evacuation and extraction from venue. The incident occurred on 23 January 2007 at approximately 1200 to 1500 Hrs. The incident occurred in the area of _____ south of? _____ in the area off _____ and ~ Personnel involved in this incident included _____

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On 23 January 2007 at approximately 0845 Hrs, _____ Counter Assault Team _____ conducted a mission briefing. The briefing was given by Shift Leader' _____ . The mission brief included rules of engagement, firearms policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken, teams to be supported, and actions on contact in the event _____ and or supported teams was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence to include recent small arms attacks, vehicle borne improvised explosive devices and a grenade attack on coalition forces on local routes north of bridge; _____ on the east and west side of the Tigris river.

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At Approximately 1130 Hrs, _____ departed the Forward Operating Base Shields with _____ crew members in a _____ vehicle motorcade consisting of _____. I _____, The team was en-route to the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works Annex _____ to provide direct Counter Assault Team Support to _____ who reported coming under direct small arms fire.

_____ J arrived at _____ coming from the east from _____ entering from the south from _____ staged at _____ to evaluate, assess the situation and await further information from _____. While static at _____ I was informed that _____ had sustained minor vehicle damage while moving towards the designated staging area, _____ departed the area for a more secure area to facilitate a tire change and vehicle assessment. Minutes after being static at _____ we received small arms fire. We then departed _____ and started movement to I _____ to co-locate with _____ While traveling south bound on route _____ from _____, the team received small arms fire from the right side of the road as well as possibly from the front. At this time there was no obvious damage to vehicles and no injuries. Turret PSS reported they could not positively identify source of fire and did not return fire. Once _____ I arrived at _____ we made contact with _____ Tactical Commander and Shift Leader. Togeffier we coordinated a plan to evacuate the principal and move to the International Zone's _____

I Prior to loading the principal into _____ we received a report that one aircraft had crash landed from possible hostile fire and a second had landed under emergency conditions near the Ministry of Health.

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We informed _____ Shift Leader that we were unable to support his team's extraction at the moment due to exigent circumstances and that we would have to depart to aid in the search for the down aircraft.

Initial reports stated the aircraft was down in the vicinity of bridges _____ and _____ but could not indicate if the location was east or west of the river. We departed _____ and immediately executed a right turn out of venue heading south bound on route' _____. Approximately 100 to 150 meters south of _____ we were engaged by small arms fire from both sides of the road. The small arms fire did not appear to be effective. During this engagement the source was not identified and the turret PSS' did not return fire. There was no damage noted to vehicles and no injuries reported by any team members. We proceeded to travel south to I _____ at which time we turned right and worked our way north searching the neighborhoods between the Tigris River and route' _____. Once we reached bridge _____ we crossed over to the west side of the river to broaden our search. Traveling north bound on Haifa Street, we were engaged with small arms fire and what appeared to be hand grenades. The Lead Vehicle sustained immediate damage to the left side of the vehicle due to the hand grenades. The front and rear turret PSS along with myself did observe multiple AIF threats from the left side of the motorcade, two of which had leveled AK 47's. We then turned left into the back streets and traveled north along the Tigris River searching back streets, alleyways and neighborhoods. Conducting a thorough search of the area resulted in no signs of a down aircraft. The search did reveal a large number of fighting age males armed with AK 47's attempting to move discretely on back streets and alleyways. _____ was engaged again from the rear several times by small arms fire from open alleyways. At this time there were no injuries reported and no additional damage to vehicle's noted. Shortly after moving through the engagement areas the front and rear tire of the Lead Vehicle was flat and the driver was reporting that he could not manipulate the steering wheel. We stopped in the vicinity of bridge 13° evaluate and assess the vehicles condition. After inspecting the vehicle we observed minor damage to the driver's side, two flat tires and the vehicle leaking fuel. We coordinated with fellow team members located in the IZ to stand by with a up loaded vehicle at check point _____. We entered check point _____ and immediately switched out vehicles at which time my turret PSSj _____ presented facial injuries and complained of dizziness and head aches. _____ was left with other _____ members posted on standby and _____ immediately replaced him in the turret position. We switched the identified personnel, replaced vehicles and quickly exited check point _____ north to _____.

Shortly after departing the check point we were notified via _____ that the crash site was located in the immediate vicinity of _____ We crossed bridged and proceeded north on route _____; without interference. Approximately 300 meters prior to reaching' _____ we identified the area the aircraft was located. Two members from each _____ team vehicle's dismounted the vehicle and proceeded on foot off route _____ and into the eastern side of the neighborhood. Prior to leaving the vehicles we experienced small arms fire in the distance but no immediate threats on the objective. We approached the crash scene from the east by entering a small hut and climbing onto a roof. The scene was no more than 12 to 15 meters in diameter. Sitting atop what appeared to be a court yard situated between several buildings approximately 10 to 15 feet high. The aircraft appeared to have made its final approach from the north crashing on it's right side. The rotor blades were intact but folded over and protruded no than 2 feet from the ground. The tail section appeared to have been broken free from the aircraft upon impact. The aircraft had been stripped of personal and aircraft equipment. The aircraft was not intact and did present the presence of receiving a high volume of gun fire. At the scene just below the wreckage was a spool of cable from what appeared to

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have been a AK47. At the crash scene were several 9mm spent casings. I did smell and observe the presence of fuel but did not observe any signs of a fire or smoke. No crew members were present at the scene. Bright red blood, possibly arterial bleeding, was present at the scene to include a trail leading west into a lower alley. The immediate area was searched and photographed by Department of State Agents. The Army provided two to destroy the remaining wreckage. Once we observed the entire wreckage engulfed in fire we proceeded to depart the scene.

We left the scene on foot going west towards route []. This was the same area that the blood trail had tapered off after traveling approximately 35 to 40 meters. We linked up with a Stryker team pulling security just inside the alley way. While making our final approach to end of the alley to route [] we started receiving an extremely high volume of small arms fire, heavy machine fire to include sniper fire. We took cover down an adjacent alley behind a two story building. We identified two buildings that we were receiving fire from the upper level rooms. The dismounted Stryker team returned fire utilizing along with []. During the first lull in the engagement (10 to 15 minutes), we attempted to find a f to break contact. We entered two houses that did not have rear exits and attempted to negotiate a rear passage that would have exposed us to more enemy fire. We returned to our original []. We remained in this position for 45 to 50 minutes. Prior to departure Army Apaches arrived on the scene and directed heavy gun fire into numerous of buildings that posed a significant threat.

Once in the viHlcTesWe accounted for all team members and proceeded to depart the area with other teams. Upon departure [] Shift Leader, [] notified* [] Base that [] was all present and accounted for with no casualties and that we were returning to base escorted by Blackwater Air. We entered Check Point^ and proceeded to ^ parking lot without any further incident.

After inspecting the Lead Vehicle when we returned to [], I did observe several bullet holes to the rear of the vehicle, damage located on the drivers side door, rear door and front hood. There was no damage noted to the ERV or follow vehicle.

[] complained of facial injuries and was taken to the CASH for medical evaluation. He was treated and released pending follow up appointments with two to three days no duty. [] sustained minor cuts, bruising and swelling to the right side of his face. He was informed that he had sustained mild head injuries but that it was not disabling or permanent. No other team members informed me of any other injuries or loss of equipment. //END//

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V> I, [redacted] served on [redacted] in the Command Vehicle on the date of the subject incident. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on January 23, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, [redacted] activities during the rescue of [redacted] from the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works Annex (MMPWA) as well as the locating of a Blackwater air asset that crashed approximately 350 meters south east of MMPWA located off Route [redacted] and the recovery of casualties. This incident occurred on 23 January 2007 beginning at approximately 1050 hours and concluding at approximately 1536 hours. J [redacted] personnel involved in this incident included the following:

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On 23 January 2007, at approximately 0745, [redacted] conducted a mission briefing. The mission brief included rules of engagement, firearms policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence to include sniper activity, recent small arms attacks and explosive attacks, particularly in the area of [redacted] venue.

At approximately 1050, while staged in the vicinity of the Ministry of Interior [redacted] heard [redacted] advise the TOC via [redacted] radio of receiving indirect sniper fire at their venue. [redacted] requested [redacted] status for departure and if they were requiring an escort off venue. [redacted] advised they did not require the Tactical Support Team (TST) at that time, however requested assistance from Blackwater Air to check the area for the sniper.

At approximately 1115 hours, [redacted] advised they were being fired directly upon by sniper fire and their team [redacted] was engaging multiple threats. [redacted] immediately departed the vicinity of the Ministry of Interior for [redacted] location, Public Works Annex, for extraction. While [redacted] (was in route, Blackwater Air advised over [redacted] that one of their gunners was hit and hanging out of the bird on belay. Blackwater Air also advised that they were flying directly to the CSH. [redacted] continued to [redacted] location north bound on Route f [redacted]. While in route, [redacted] noticed two Iraqi National Guard (ING) HMMWV's pass [redacted] on the left, stop at [redacted], and block traffic directing through the intersection where it was observed there was no vehicle or pedestrian traffic on the street or in the area. Once north of [redacted] began receiving small arms and heavy machine gun fire from both sides of the road, all the way north to [redacted]

[redacted] was able to drive through the heavy fire and broke contact after turning west bound at [redacted] in front of two more ING HMMWV's blocking traffic. [Shift Leader, [redacted]] contacted the TOC and notified them of the attack and that: [redacted] had sustained damage to their vehicles including a flat tire on the lead vehicle. [redacted] continued west bound over bridge [redacted] and proceeded to an area under the west side of the bridge. [redacted] created a P** [under the bridge, [redacted]] and changed the flat tire. [redacted] then advised they were leaving the International Zone (IZ) to assist with Extraction.

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At the conclusion of the tire change, [] received information of a Blackwater helicopter that went down somewhere between bridge [] and bridge [] on the east side of the river, via []. [] reassembled and left the [] towards Haifa street to assist with the search for the downed aircraft. Once southbound on Haifa street, just south of [], noticed the street to be empty of all vehicle and pedestrian traffic, and began receiving immediate small arms and heavy machine gun fire from both sides of the road. At the next intersection, adjacent to bridge [] turned westbound in an attempt to break contact, f [] linked up with [] at the end of the road and turned back eastbound for bridge []. While enroute to bridge [] and []

[] were once again engaged by AIF small arms fire, heavy machine guns, and hand grenades. [] continued east over bridge [] breaking contact. [] Shift Leader, [] contacted the TOC and notified them of the attack and that [] had sustained damage to their vehicles including another flat tire on the lead vehicle. [] stopped on the east side of the bridge and made contact with a U.S. Army Stryker team. The Stryker team advised they were also looking for the downed aircraft.

Army had begun a dismounted search in the area and [] turned northbound beginning a search between bridge* [] and bridge [] east of the river and west of Route []. Jead vehicle was unable to continue negotiating obstacles with the blown tire. [] created a [] with the vehicles and [] once again, to change the tire. At this time [] was located approximately 75 meters west southwest of the Ministry of Public Works Annex. I [] observed subjects barricading the road to the south of their position and proceeded northbound upon changing the tire. [] linked up and made contact with a Stryker unit who advised they still had no new information. The TOC had reported several Grids for possible locations of the downed aircraft; however all were searched with negative results.

[] continued northbound and linked up with [] just north west of the Ministry of Public Works Annex. Neither [] nor [] proceeded further North due to barricades and heavy traffic near bridge []. turned around and proceeded south again and pushed through the barricades previously placed in the roadway, which were made up of old air conditioners and other junk. The TOC advised there was a report by the U.S. Army of a possible sighting of the downed aircraft in the vicinity of heavy machine gun fire. The TOC advised the downed aircraft was located in the vicinity of []. S checked the area around [] with negative results and again were engaged by small arms

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[] observed a Stryker team stopped just south of [] on Route [] ^ proceeded to the Stryker teams' location and made contact. The Stryker team advised they had located the downed aircraft [] advised the TOC and []

[] met behind the Stryker's where there were four body bags reportedly containing the tour crew members from the downed aircraft. The [] proceeded to the crash site and observed what appeared to be blood in a pattern consistent with drag marks from the street to the crash site. Upon location of the site, [] secured the area. [] signaled Blackwater Air units circling the area. Army units requested [] advise Blackwater Air to leave the area as it was not a secure location. All attempts to contact Air and truck units were unsuccessful []



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I observed the aircraft to have major crash damage as well as what appeared to be numerous large caliber bullet holes throughout. There were bullet holes through most of the seat cushions entering either the side or the bottom and traveling completely through, as evidenced by clear exit holes containing parts of the cushioning. There was what appeared to be aviation fuel leaked around the crash site as well as large pools of what appeared to be blood. * I did not locate any personal radios, weapons, or any of the crew's other major personal gear at the site) did locate some small personal gear items and secured them for recovery. There were also several 7.62 caliber cartridges around the scene of the crash.

Elements of [] and [] then arrived on location. A ground element consisting of J and [] returned to the area of the Stryker's in order to secure the casualties and load them in the TST vehicles for recovery. [] requested the Army unit on scene to use [] in order to destroy the aircraft! The Army advised they could assist, but would need to obtain permission due to possible collateral damage. A small ground element consisting of J and D^artment of I State (D/S) Agent' j stayed at the site to ensure the aircraft was destroyed! J left the scene for the IZ in order to recover the casualties they had loaded.

Several minutes later Army ground units arrived with "[]". Upon receiving permission, the [] were deployed into the aircraft. The aforementioned () watched to ensure the aircraft started to burn then began to make its way back to their respective vehicles. Upon arrival at Route [] all of the teams and Army units began receiving harassing sniper fire from a tall building to the north. The [] was pinned down in the alley that led to the crash site on the east side of Route [], between buildings. All of the teams and Army units were then engaged by large caliber machine guns, small arms fire, grenades, and sniper fire from the west and north for approximately the next forty (40) minutes. I land the fire team pinned down in the alley were all being directly fired upon and grenade. A large caliber machine gun began firing from the west side of the street, shooting holes through the concrete walls above the [] and Army ground units. The Army engaged these targets with an [] and called in [] to eliminate the sniper positions. While on scene and during the above mentioned firefight, the [] Communication between the [] fire team and Army ground units were also by voice and hand and arm signals!

At a point when the shooting appeared to stop, a Stryker backed up to the alley and the i VTM entered it, to be taken to the TST vehicles. Due to ^ the Stryker was unable to take the i ^ o the TST vehicles', therefore ^ (drove to a location as near to the Stryker as possible. The I then made their way to the CAT vehicles loaded up and drove to the TST elements. Once all personnel were on board and accounted for, I land drove to Check Pointj where they entered the IZ at approximately 1536 hours without further incident.

I then drove to Check Pointj to stage as there were still teams on other venues requiring cover. The ERV broke away from the motorcade and dropped off one casualty at the CASH. I resupplied (with ammunition. A lit personnel were §cqoyq^ed for no visible injuries were observed! dropped <Jfff sp^reCtirç âs: * I 353d vefiiftlihad^rfotlier flat, i changed

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the tire and stood by as the remaining teams returned to the LZ. Upon completion of all missions, [REDACTED] returned to the ^ parking area.) "J inspected" ~ } vehicles where it was determined there were numerous impacts from enemy fire.///END///

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b7fa I _____, served as the Driver for the' _____ ^Vehicle. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on January 23, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, _____ ^ activities during the recovery of four Blackwater personnel from a down aircraft incident that occurred on 23 January 2007 at approximately 1200-1530. The incident occurred in the area commonly referred to as _____ 'at grid _____ and _____ J at grid _____ jy-fó f

On 23 January 2007 at approximately 1115, _____ ireturned from training at ther _____ when they monitored radio traffic on the RSO TOC frequency. **J of a situation developing with I** The radio traffic indicated _____ was receiving sniper fire while on venue. The _____ / Shift Leader _____ continued to monitor the _____ /frequency and heard the _____ Tactical Support Team _____ ^)tasked with moving to aid with the evacuation of _____ from the venue. b6 ML

The _____ jShift Leader made the determination to conduct a mission brief and hold the team on standby at the vehicles to monitor the situation as it developed in case additional support was needed. The mission brief included a current situation of teams operating in the red zone and I _____ vehicle load plan for the day, actions on contact, and Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force. Once^ _____ Sfinished the mission brief, the _____ vehicle motorcade consisting of) _____ i L _____ j staged in the _____ j Staging area. The _____ , (Shift Leader contacted the _____ ifDetail Leader _____ to inform him of* _____ jstatus. t)7 €,F

At approximately 1150 hours, Radio traffic indicated that _____, while transiting to _____ jaid, began receiving heavy small arms fire and reported that their lead vehicle had damage to the right rear tire and they needed to _____ to change a tire. At this point, the _____ j Tactical Support Team i _____ j was tasked by the RSO TOC to depart their staging area, Check Point _____ to aide _____ .

As _____ departed Checkpoint) _____ j to support) _____, jdeparted the _____ ^Staging Area to move to the vicinity of Checkpoint _____ and provided support to the other) Teams operating in the Red Zone. As! _____ /made movement to Checkpoint _____ l Shift Leader received a cell phone call from thel _____ Deputy Detail Leader ^ _____ ^informing him that a Chief of Mission Little Bird Aircraft was down in the vicinity of The Ministry of Health [_____ jvicinity of grid _____ , T h e ^ j Deputy Detail Leader directed the _____ 'Shift leader to move the team to the vicinity of* _____ (and locate and perform a tactical recovery of aircraft and personnel. V

At approximately 1205 hours,) _____ jmade movement through Checkpoint with the sirens activated in order to warn traffic of the team's movement. Additionally, all vehicles in the _____ motorcade displayed warning signs stating to stay 100 meters away from the motorcade in both English and Arabic. From Checkpoint _____ jthej _____ [Tactical Commander \ _____ ^uided the team in a northerly movement. passing through?

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After Action Report (AAR)

Datemne of statement
26 January 2007/0900 Hrs.

Name	Team	Situation	Aircraft Recovery
1		1030;1530	23 January 2007
Location/Venue		Time Occurred	Date Occurred

Upon reaching _____ received Small Arms Fire coming from thejiine o'clock in the direction of travel _____ pushed through the attack that remained continuous from _____ to _____. The _____ Shift Leader received accountability and was advised the team had received no casualties and the team continued on mission towards Ministry of Health.

_____ J broke contact at _____ and made a left hand turn towards Ministry of Health. The team arrived at Ministry of Health and began a search for the down aircraft. _____ notified the RSO TOC that we had no sign of the missing aircraft and requested additional information as to the location of the missing aircraft.

At approximately 1215, _____ was notified by RSO TOC that the previously given location of the down aircraft was in addition to another aircraft whose last known location was in the vicinity of bridge _____ and _____ ion the east side of the Tigris River. This is the first notification of a second aircraft down. _____ was instructed to begin searching the area for the down aircraft. At the same time as the RSO TOC notification of the new grid location of the second down aircraft, the _____ Shift Leader received a cell phone call from the _____ Detail Deputy Detail Leader < _____) informing him that there were at one point two down aircraft however, the "Little Bird" at the Ministry of Health was just confirmed to have recovered and returned to LZ Washington on its own, prior to their arrival^and the second aircraft was still unaccounted forS DDL issued a ' _____ move to the location of bridge" j and! _____ expeditiously and conduct a search for the additional "Little Bird" down. At this time _____ was tasked by the RSO TOC to begin a search on the east side of the river between bridge _____ and bridgej _____ , for the missing aircraft.

_____ J began searching side streets, and alleyways between bridge _____ and bridge _____, at which pojnt, they continued to receive sporadic small arms fire directed at the motorcade. For the next 40 minutes, _____ J searched through the side streets and alleys in the vicinity of route _____ with no sign of the downed aircraft. During this time] _____ observed a number of U.S. Army Strykers moving into the area and staging on Routef _____ at points during this search, made visual contact with! _____ 1 _____ and _____ j would make visual contact with each other and move into different directions in an attempt to maximize the search coverage area.

At approximately 1300, _____ was notified by RSO TOC that the last known location of the down aircraft was 250 meters south east _____ J began to make movement to the area of the last known location and continued their search.

At approximately 1315, _____ was notified by RSO TOC that they had positive identification of the down aircraft verified by Iraqi Army. All _____ ^ units began to make movement to the down aircraft. _____ began to receive heavy fire in transit to the down aircraft 100 meters north oft _____ and continued to the crash site.

Upon reaching the crash site at approximately 1325, _____ /linked up with _____ and _____ CAT) and the US Army Stryker unit. At approximately 1330, _____ /deployed ' _____ j members and the Shift Leader and began footpoyemenUo tj\ e c^sl^si^e^ dirgcte^jjy Army personnel. Upon reaching the crash site area, thfc]^ _____ SJJuJa^notified Qff thefolirlmaiiaiJ- (tew was KIA and their

Blackwater USA	After Action Report (AAR)		Date/Time of Statement <u>26 January 2007/0900 Hrs.</u>
Name _____	Team _____	Situation Aircraft Recovery	
Location/Avenue _____	Time Occurred 10:05:38		Date Occurred 23 January 2007

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bodies were located on the street next to the Stryker unit. Additionally the [] Shift Leader was notified the US Army had sent personnel to retrieve all [] to destroy the remaining aircraft on the wreck site.

The [] U Fire team members recovered ^ from the crash site and regrouped. The team then began movement back to the street to recover the bodies of the four KIA aircrew. Upon reaching the street, the P [] Shift Leader observed the four KIA in body bags next to an Army Stryker.

At approximately 1345, [] J positively identified the bodies as being the missing Blackwater aircrew, and made coordination with the* [] Shift leader to recover the bodies and return them to the International Zone. [] i Shift Leader guided elements o^ [] and [] in the recovery and loading of the four KIA into the teams Emergency Recovery Vehicles staged for departure.

At approximately 1350, [] ^ departed the crash site en-route to the International Zone with one KIA. Once [] jdeparted, the remaining [] teams at the crash site began receiving sniper fire coming from north of their location. V of the remaining forces on the ground. The [] Shift Leader received a full accountability from each of the f [] I vehicle commanders and was informed the [] Emergency Recovery Vehicle had two of the four KIA aircrew.

At approximately 1355, [] began to receive a heavy volume of automatic fire from both sides of the street. The largest volume of fire was being concentrated from the building directly above the motorcade. In addition to the heavy volume of fire being directed onto the motorcade, the AIF were dropping hand grenades onto the motorcade.

[] immediately broke contact and moved the motorcade towards [] with the impression that the other [] elements were following behind as planned prior to receiving contact. Once [] broke contact, they realized that the other [] elements had not broken contact and were still being engaged by heavy automatic gunfire and grenades.

[] upon realizing that the other [] elements were still being engaged, turned the motorcade around and moved to a location approximately 50 meters away, from where the [] a motorcade was, being heavily engaged. During this point, The []

The I [] Shift Leader requested that the [] and [] elements move towards [] position. The \ [] Tactical Commander notified the [] Shift Leader and the [] Tactical Commander [] J advised that they still had forces on the ground. At this point the [] jSL gave the command to redistribute ammunition, and to replace an in-operable f [] that had received a single 7.62 shot to the [] { [] , This re-distribution of ammunition was executed in order to remain effective in the aid of withdrawing the other [] elements.

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	r " "	Aircraft Recovery		
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At approximately 1430, all _____ elements on ground reported that all previously separated _____ personnel were accounted _____ and were co-located with US Army forces. At approximately 1435, all I _____ Personnel were linked up with their respective elements and ready to begin making transit to the International Zone. _____ took point of the combined} _____ ! and' _____ motorcades and returned to the International Zone at approximately 1447 without further incident.

During the sequence of events the' _____ Shift Lead advised the RSO TOC of the developing circumstances to the best of his ability but, due to the heavy amount of information being passed and the heavy volume of automatic weapons fire and sustained AIF attacks, was unable to report every contact that _____ made on 23 Jan 2007. Once safely inside CP _____, shift lead advised both his direct chain of command' _____ j]DL) and the RSO TOC of the complete chain of events. //END//

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Blackwater USA	After Action Report (AAR)		Date/Time of Statement 01-27-07 1600
Name r	Team.	Situation Heavy/ Small Arms Fire	
Location/Venue MO Municipalities	ft/btlyfyVC>rk^gnfv	Time Occurred 1700	Date Occurred 01/23/07

I _____ serve as the Right Rear Gunner of the _____ vehicle for _____ (The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on January 23, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.)

On 22 January 2007, [_____] was tasked with a mission to move two principals from the Embassy to the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works Annex. The Primary Principal, {_____] was contacted by the PSO' _____ and given a location to meet the following morning. At 1700 hours, _____, {_____/Shift Leader, conducted a mission brief. The State Department Rules of Engagement were covered along with the actions on contact, routes, and specific duties of each team member and vehicle assignments. Intelligence was presented concerning the Baghdad AO and ^ land previous incidents at this venue were discussed!

Later that evening, _____ was contacted by the TOC and advised that \ _____ I had requested a 5 minute extension of time on venue which was granted.

On 23 January 2007 at 0815 hours, ! _____ received the morning intelligence. The Shift Leader, _____ informed the team of their expected routes along with current high threats in the vicinity of the team's movement. At 0830, the PSO, _____ was at the Embassy waiting to receive the Principal and interpreter. The Principal, ^ _____ /arrived without her interpreter. The Principal advised the PSO that the interpreter was a no show and she was unable to make contact with him regarding his location or reason for his absence that morning. The PSO informed the Principal that the additional 5 minutes extension had been granted. The Principal informed the PSO that she had requested an hour and not 5 minutes. The Shift Leader was notified of these changes. The changes were passed to the TOC and the time extension was granted.

I" _____ departed the International Zone on time utilizing their _____ route and encountered light to medium traffic until they were in the vicinity of I _____. Just before! _____ the lead vehicle encountered an Iraqi Army checkpoint consisting of 3 Iraqis stationed in the middle of the road. The Iraqi Army surrounded the lead vehicle and tried to gain entry into the vehicle. Flags and ID's were shown per SOP and after further inspection the lead vehicle was allowed to pass the checkpoint. The _____ vehicles were able to pass the IA checkpoint undetected. The traffic became more congested and it took _____ approximately 45 minutes to cover the next 1500 meters. As the team approached! _____, the TOC gave a net call on the radio stating that a large explosion had just occurred at! _____. The shift leader notified the TOC that! _____ was approximately 300 meters to their front and that Iraqi Police where diverting all traffic south at^ _____. The " _____ turned the motorcade south to follow the flow of traffic and then turned northeast at! _____ (and then south at! _____. This put! _____ 7back on their/ _____ route.

Approximately 2 minutes out from the venue, the PSO asked the Principal to call the point of contact and have them standing by in the lobby. Upon arrival at! _____, the team was stopped by the Ministry of Municipalities and Public Works Annex exterior security element. The exterior security element appeared to have no knowledge of _____ (pending arrival. The Principal was then asked again to contact a POC and have them come out to let the team in. She made several phone calls attempting to secure the teams admittance. The Shift Leader d^pl^gd.the' _____ H. ^ong wjt^ another team member,!

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Blackwater USA	After Action Report (AAR)		Date/Time of Statement 01-27-07 1600
Name	Team	Situation	Heavy/ Small Arms Fire
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_____ who speaks Arabic fluently.) _____ informed the Iraqi security element that the team was from the U.S. Embassy and had a meeting scheduled there today. While the team waited, _____ observed multiple spent bullet casings on the ground. These casings ranged from AK-47 to larger caliber. The Iraqi security guards also warned _____ of snipers in the area and pointed out cardinal directions from where the snipers had been shooting from, the team was eventually given access after approximately 5 minutes.

Thef~ to a meeting room located on the Iraqi fifth floor. _____

V position was achieved the f repositioned to the fifth floor and took up a security position.

At approximately 1100 hours the! _____ i observed several individuals located on a rooftop approximately 600 meters away and 80 degrees magnetic. The individuals appeared to be moving multiple RPCTs and a scoped long rifle in and around sand bag bunkers. At this time the^ (notified the ~ of the situation. The _____ went back to the rooftop to observe the suspicious activity and informed the Shift Leader.

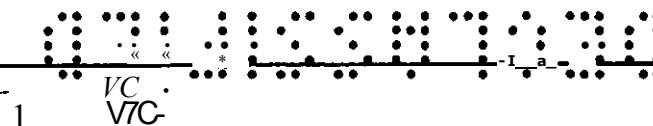
The events that follow occurred nearly simultaneously

Shift Leader contacted the TOC vial _____ phone and requested that the TOC call him back. In addition, the Shift Leader asked to speak to the TOC Commander,(_____) directly. The TOC Commander immediately called the Shift Leader back. The Shift Leader informed the TOC Commander of the situation on the rooftop with unknown individuals and asked if he wanted the Little Birds to fly over. A six digit grid was provided! _____ (The TOC Commander advised that yes he was going to have the Little Birds investigate the roof top. The Shift Leader then advised the TOC to have the Little Birds fly in from _____ Ministry of Health at a 90 degree magnetic heading and the suspect rooftop would be approximately 1000 meters from that location on that heading. /

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[] J During this phone conversation the _____ observed other armed individuals releasing pigeons and hand gesturing towards _____ position.

Sporadic gun fire started outside the venue. The Limo Driver] _____ jcame across the radio stating that there was gun fire but it was not directed at them. The _____ jthen informed the Shift Leader that they were receiving heavy fire. The Limo driver then relayed to the TOC that the team was receiving intense and direct fire.

The helicopters were already in the vicinity before the! _____ (could be retrieved. BW Air requested the location from where the automatic fire was targeting the venue. The _____ informed B W Air that the fire was coming from the north east side of the road and the venue is red. As the volume of fire increased, the _____ j informed the Little Birds that they (Air) were receiving heavy automatic



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fire directly at them and instructed them to depart the area immediately. Air responded with a transmission stating that they had taken one wounded and were heading to the CSH.

The Shift Leader had the Limo driver relay to the TOC not to have any teams come in the area due to the heavy volume of fire. The I _____ ^reported that they were continuing to receive direct fire from multiple areas.

The Shift Leader contacted the PSO and had him move^p due to the volume of fire and escalating threat to the venue. If

At this time the Shift Leader allowed the situation to develop and began coordinating with [REDACTED] who was directed to stand by and remain available but out of the fire zone.' [REDACTED] advised that they were going to restage as requested [REDACTED].

Once on the roof and while in the ejection seat, rounds began to penetrate the structure walls. The [REDACTED] via radio (due to noise level) to low crawl to his position while he provided overwatch. Once recovered, all [REDACTED] team members relocated to the fifth floor and assisted with the consolidation of assets.

The team continued to hold in place, _____ advised that they were in the immediate area and continuing to move towards the venue. Prior to being able to communicate due to the compressed time frame, _____ rolled into the venue. The/ _____ J immediately moved to liaise with ' _____ Once a face to face link up was accomplished, discussions began as to routes, load plans and supplemental tactics. The team received a status update.

A communication from the ladyising the team to hold in place was received

Radio traffic came across the net informing all' 1 elements that a little Bird had gone down. The Shift Leader from' _____ stated they were going to move to the last known location of the aircraft in an attempt to recover the crew if possible.

Approximately 20-30 minutes later^ arrived on venue. Liaison was made between' and the Shift Leader from _____ f Shift Leader requested I to transport]""TM A in one of their vehicles. Tactics were discussed as to the makeup of the ^A^J motorcade and where the) vehicles would be integrated. The' _____ iwere safely extracted and placed into a; _____ vehicle and the motorcade formed up and departed.

"was then escorted back to the International Zone by" /-END-

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INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 31 Jan 07

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Location:

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 31 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 0821

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Baghdad Central Rail Station

Personnel Involved: Raven 01

Incident Synopsis: On 31 Jan 07, at approximately 0821 hours, _____ as _____ vehicle Advance Support Team was on venue at the Baghdad Central Rail Station in support of While sweeping the area with K-9 assets an aggressive local dog attacked the BW dog. The BW dog handler discharged his weapon (Glock 9mm) with one round hitting the aggressive dog in the neck. There were no injuries and no damage.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW-SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

January 31, 2007



SPOT REPORT 013107-01

SUBJECT: Small Arms Fire on RSO Air Asset.

REPORTING OFFICE: U.S. Embassy Baghdad

SUMMARY: On January 31 2007 at 0954 hours ^{RSO AIR} Assets en route to LZ Washington from REO Hillah reported that one of their aircraft (a Bell 412 medium lift helicopter) had to perform an emergency landing in an open field due to damage received from large caliber small arms fire (SAF). All personnel and ~~_____~~ were cross-loaded into the second 412 helicopter[^] At the time of receiving SAF, the two door gunners on each aircraft (a total of u) fired approximately 70 well-aimed fl[^] and grounds at the AIF insurgents. It appeared that one insurgent armed with an RPG-7 rocket launcher fell to the ground after being hit. At 1000 hours, a U.S. Army force of two HMMWV's and two M-1 Abrams tanks were en route to secure the helicopter supported by a Combat Air Patrol (CAP) consisting of two AH-64 Apache attack helicopters. While moving to the aircraft site however the patrol was hit by two IED's and sustained five (5) wounded in action (WIA). At 1021 hours, the U.S. Army was on scene and secured the 412. The AH-64 Apaches destroyed two "Bongo" cargo trucks filled with armed Anti-Iraqi Forces (AIF) moving to the downed aircraft at 1100 hours. The damaged 412 was evaluated and determined to be repairable. Actions were then put in motion to recover the aircraft. At 1345 hours, the decision was made to destroy the helicopter due to the high AIF threat in the area. The US Army destroyed the aircraft in ~~plec~~ at 1558 Sour. To principles were in the aircraft and no personnel where injured during the incident.

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RSO ACTION: Dispatched! Attny for grCtanfl and fcirsupport. Even though the Bell 412 helicopter was sufficiently intact to warrant recovery, the RSO made the decision to destroy the aircraft due to the high risk to recovery personnel posed by AIF insurgents. Team members are being debriefed, and written statements will be forthcoming.

LOCATION: Approximately 10 kilometers south of Doura, Iraq

DRAFTED BY: Christopher Wright, Watch Officer, Baghdad

APPROVED BY: Lance Bailey, Acting DRSO Baghdad

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Date of Report: 1 Feb 07

Location: Vicinity off ~

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 31 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 1005

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: 10 Kilometers south of the Doura Power Plant

Personnel Involved: DOS Air Assets (Boeing Medium Lift 412), U.S. Army 1/40* CAV, 2nd Brigade/1st Calvary Division.

Incident Synopsis: On 31 Jan 07 at 1005, 1/40[^] CAV received report of downed contractor helicopter (DOS Air Asset - 412) in an area approximately 10 Kilometers south of the Doura Power Plant. A U.S. Army ground unit (2nd Brigade/1st Calvary Division) responded. While in route to the crash site, they were struck by an IED resulting in damage to their tracked vehicle. No injuries to CF responding to DOS air assets. Initial reports of U.S. Army injured while responding to DOS downed aircraft were incorrect. *The previously reported injured (5 WIA, U.S. Army) belonged to 3/61st CAV and were struck by a separate IED at a different, and unrelated location. At 1136, 2nd Troop, 1/40[^] CAV, arrived on site. At 1450, 2nd Troop, 1/40* CAV, evaluated the crash site and determined that it would not be possible to sling the downed DOS air asset (412) and recover the airframe intact. U.S. Army element retrieved all personal and i _____ from within the A/C and rigged it for demolition with C-4. At 1558 the controlled detonation of the DOS air asset was complete. U.S. Army unit began post blast assessment. At 1630 DOS air asset was confirmed destroyed. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to other DOS/BW assets.

Outline injuries if applicable: None.

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A.

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW AIR OPS, BW SDL, Ops Chief.

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A.

Additional Reports Generated: None.

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Date of Report: 31Jan07

Location: Vicinity of

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

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Date of Incident: 31 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 0953

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: 10 Kilometers south of the Doura Power Plant

Personnel Involved: DOS Air Assets (Boeing Medium Lift 412)

Incident Synopsis: On 31 Jan 07 at 0953, a DOS Air Asset (412) was in route to LZ Washington from REO Hillah. In an area approximately 10 Kilometers south of the Doura Power Plant the pilot reported taking SAF. The SAF resulted in the 412 having to perform a controlled precautionary landing on the ground. All personnel and '_____ (with the exception of the [_____], which will be recovered by Army) were cross-loaded into a second DOS 412. The second 412 also received heavy small arms fire with damage to the main rotor blade. There are no injuries. The grounded 412 is currently being secured by U.S. Army air and ground assets, and evaluated for recovery. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to other DOS/BW assets.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None.

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW AIR OPS, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report

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Date of Report: 31 Jan 071 : I. I : : : : : : : : : : : :

Location: Vicinity of [redacted]

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 31 Jan 07

Time of Incident: 0953

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: 10 Kilometers south of the Doura Power Plant

Personnel Involved: DOS Air Assets (Boeing Medium Lift 412)

Incident Synopsis: On 31 Jan 07 at 0953, a DOS Air Asset (412) was in route to LZ Washington from REO Hillah. In an area approximately 10 Kilometers south of the Doura Power Plant the pilot reported taking SAF. The SAF resulted in the 412 having to perform a controHed^recautionary landing on the ground. All personnel and f " ^ j were cross-loaded into a "second DOS 412. The second 412 also received heavy small arms fire with damage to the main rotor blade. The grounded 412 is currently being secured by U.S. Army air and ground assets, and evaluated for recovery. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to other DOS/BW assets.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None.

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW AIR OPS, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N / A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report

At approximately 1035, 31 January, 2007, Blackwater Aviation, In the Vicinity Of (IVO) [redacted] (approximately 10 KM south of Baghdad), was engaged by enemy fire. The ^ Aviation element consisted of two 412, medium lift helicopters [redacted] identified as/ was crewed by) [redacted] I [redacted] ^ j [redacted]

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approximately 1000 meters to the east of the initial contact. (pilot, ^ reported a fatal malfunction to the Combining Gear Box "C Box", causing a ~~drastic loss~~ in oil pressure, and relayed to ^ of their pending emergency landing. The pilot, f apprised Base of the impending emergency^faiyling and b {ovffiedffie; r fo'catjoj* 'J ^ ended in an open field and began tof I. V I" tvBile. jftnnfldfed aerial security/surveillance. Once| was unloaded, and all passengers/personnel were accounted for, landed and 'received' all remaining personnel on their aircraft. ^ immediately returned to LZ Washington without further incident. Coordination was made with Army units and they dispatched a ground QRF to the area to secure the aircraft. Enroute the team was hit by an JED and 4-5 personnel received injuries. AAC' J was directed to coordinate with Air to attempt to recovery the aircraft by sling load. After an assessment of the enemy situation, it was determined that the risk involved in recovering the aircraft was too great. The Army unit at the scene was directed to destroy the aircraft j ^ , The aircraft was destroyed^ J

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On this date, while enroute to LZ Washinton from Hillah, I; and J were engaged by multiple ground assailants utilizing small arms, heavy machine guns and Rocket Propelled Grenades (RPG's). Gunners from both aircraft returned well aimed fire in the direction of the insurgents and muzzle flashes from the concealed heavy weapons. Both aircraft were hit with numerous rounds from the heavy machine gun during the initial engagement. While I and J responded to the first assault, a second 'ambush' was met by both aircraft approximately 1000 meters to the east of the initial contact. I, J pilot I reported a fatal malfunction to the Combining Gear Box "C Box", causing a drastic loss in oil pressure, and relayed to I of their pending emergency landing. The I pilot, I apprised I (Base of the impending emergency landing and provided their location. I landed in an open field and began to I; while I provided aerial security/surveillance. Once I was unloaded, and all passengers/personnel were accounted for, I landed and 'received' all remaining personnel on their aircraft, I immediately returned to LZ Washington without further incident. Coordination was made with Army units and they dispatched a ground QRF to the area to secure the aircraft. Enroute the team was hit by an IED and 4-5 personnel received injuries. AAC I was directed to coordinate with I Air to attempt to recovery the aircraft by sling load. After an assessment of the enemy situation, it was determined that the risk involved in recovering the aircraft was too great. The Army unit at the scene was directed to destroy the aircraft. The aircraft was destroyed and

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Blackwater USA	Statement Form		Date/Time of Statement 01 February 2007 1415
Name	Team BWA	Incident Type Hostile Fire - Aircraft Down	
Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)		Incident Time *** 0940 ***	Incident Date 31 January 2007

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On 31 January 2007, we were flying as /of a flight of 2 acft transporting personnel from Al Hillah to Washington AHP. While traveling northbound in the VCTY off ,

[] jwe were engaged by surface to air fire. The weapons are believed to include 12.7mm, RPKs and AKs. Additionally at the time of the engagement our j {

* . Initially we turned east to avoid fire but were re-engaged by additional ground elements. After assessing the acfts condition we noticed that the CBOX OIL PRESS was illuminated. We then maneuvered the acft to an open area and landed. On the ground all personnel took up defensive positions until we were extracted by Lead.

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If for the aviation division of security operations I lead or was involved in hundreds of missions, multiple engagements with terrorist forces and at least 3 rescues.

On January 31 at approximately 1030 hours, I was returning from a personnel movement mission from Al Hilla Iraq with 4 "pax," two pilots, myself andj ~*in the lead Bell 412 helicopter. Approximately 7 miles south of LZ Washington, in farm land we began to receive extensive small arms from multiple locations, from insurgent locations on the ground. After taking evasive maneuvers and locating a 12.7mm heavy machine gun firing off myjjflht side, I engaged the position with 25 to 30 rounds from my _____. After my burst, the fire stopped from that position. We circled our sister ship which had taken extensive fire and was now in an emergency landing situation about .5 miles north of the attack position. We landed adjacent

land provided an additional outer ring of security and transloaded the personnel and valuable equipment f r o m 1 My team piled onto the skids of the remaining 412 which had also taken 12.7mm damage to its main rotor. Approximately 7 minutes later, we landed safely at LZ Washington with all passengers and crew members.

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Introductory Paragraph: I

J attended the Blackwater Security Consultant's Department of State class^After successfully completing the course requirements, I deployed to Baghdad, Iraq in{_____}as part of the Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service, Iraqi Protective Detail-Blackwater. I have worked in Baghdad, Iraq for the past /months as a member of a protective detail. During this time I have served on numerous protective detail assignments.

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On 31 Jan 2007, at approximately 1035/ illy^{881*} in a flight of two Bell 412's

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were returning from the Regional Embassy^Office^EO) AlHilla; about 10 miles ToTResouth of Baghdad "" in the vicinity of? J While in flight, we were attacked from the left side of the aircraft with a Rocket Propelled Grenade (RPG), and small arms fire. The small arms fire was immediately followed by a much larger weapon, which I believed to have been a 12.7mm DsHK. Upon contact, the pilot,

~~~J began evasive maneuvers to avoid fire. He began turning and started to receive fire on the left side again, wherein he performed additional evasive maneuvers, but his turn to the right met with machine gun fire and an ambush from the right side. At this time, I saw 2 men standing on a dike with AK's. I engaged the 2 men with my^ firing by firing 8 well aimed rounds off(\_\_\_\_\_) The pilot made another turn and the 2 personnel were masked by the aircraft. Continued to fly the aircraft for approximately VZ mile before he was forced to land the aircraft in an open field. Upon landing, I exited the aircraft and retrieved the spare weapons and ammo from the tail boom. I handed the equipment to our passengers, and directed them to form a perimeter, while I from the aircraft. Once

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the.' j we evacuated to a building I had identified as a strong point. As we began to move to the building, the other aircraft(\_\_\_\_\_) landed next to the downed nir^f^fr.

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I gunners exited the aircraft and loaded the pilots and the passengers onto the aircraft. J end I held security near the downed aircraft/ until all personnel were loaded, pncejhis -w-asjaampleted. the gunners from \ " ~ " "

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and I moved to the gunners on perimeter security to provide additional coverage. The lead pilot and J spoke briefly and it was decided that all remaining gunners to the aircraft. After a brief exchange<sup>TM,\*"</sup> gmotioned for all the gunners to get aboard [ ] We loaded up the aircraft and took off to the north for Baghdad without further incident. We landed back at LZW and did a pcheck and passenger check. During this check it found that one of the passengers from Hilla had received a small fragment wound to his little finger. He was checked by myself and [ ] (Air Medic), the wound was cleaned and the passenger was sent to the camp doctor/PA. All [ ] were accounted for except one set of [ ] ^ fcthat was left in j [ ] Nothing Follows. PSS/T 0

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| J ^ served in the United States^Marine Corps from {     |                        |                                                              |                                                |

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In f \_\_\_\_\_, I attended the Blackwater High Threat Protection Course and WPPS 2 training program. This training closely mirrors the training received by Department of State Agents assigned to protective , details. In addition to protective security detail training, this class encompassed the use of various weapon systems to include shooting from a moving platform, use of force continuum, shoot no shoot scenarios, live role player scenarios, and scenarios tailored to simulate situations mirroring those found in Iraq. In ..  
j I was assigned to the Blackwater Counter-Assault Team in Baghdad, Iraq. I have been assigned the I position for approximately \_\_\_\_\_ £ and have completed dozens of missions in this role. I receive weekly training in Counter-Assault Team procedures, use of force, and rules of engagement as well as scenario based training and U.S State Department Validation.

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On 31 January 2007, I was assigned to [REDACTED] medium lift (Bell 412)M [REDACTED]  
At approximately 1035 hours while on a return flight from Hillah to LZ Washington, with 3 passengers, we came under small arms and heavy machine gun fire in the vicinity of grid [REDACTED]. I felt several impacts to the aircraft from the left side. While scanning my sector, I observed an individual rise from a prone position to a standing position near a small dike approximately 75 meters away. I observed the individual had an RPG weapon and began to point it at our aircraft. I aimed my [REDACTED] at the individual and fired approximately 10 rounds, at which time I observed him fall back into the dike, dropping the RPG.

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I continued to feel impacts into the aircraft and observed two more individuals, both pointing rifles in our direction, standing along another section of the dike as we continued evasive maneuvers. I fired my weapon at both individuals but was unable to observe effect as they passed my line of sight. At this time, the rear cabin of the aircraft began to fill with smoke and I could hear both pilots discussing the status of die aircraft. I received a thumbs-up from aHj3^M6sengejs snd«ould»see jhat\*they\*wer» flot «injured. I advised

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me over the radio that he was good and relayed to the pilots that all passengers and gunners were good. I checked the left side tail boom but was unable ascertain the extent of the damage. At this time I heard the pilots state we would have to make an emergency landing.

After flying approximately one- half to one mile away from the last contact, \_\_\_\_\_ made a safe emergency landing in an open field. I immediately deployed and directed one of the passengers to assist in establishing 360 degree security around the aircraft. Weapons and ammo were distributed and sectors of fire were covered while \_\_\_\_\_ provided a security CAP. Approximately one minute later, \_\_\_\_\_ landed approximately 50 meters to the left of \_\_\_\_\_. I observed \_\_\_\_\_ gunners \_\_\_\_\_

VJi ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) begin to assist in providing further security while moving the 3 passengers from! \_\_\_\_\_ j on board After all passengers were safely loaded onto chalk one, all extra ammo, night vision equipment, body armor and weapons were transferred to \_\_\_\_\_. I was unable to retrieve one set of body armor from under my seat in \_\_\_\_\_ due to its' position and it appeared to be damaged. Gunners! \_\_\_\_\_ , and I prepared to stay as it appeared \_\_\_\_\_ was overloaded with personnel....  
f The pilots of? \_\_\_\_\_ advised it would be possible to fly aH personnel out. Gunners! \_\_\_\_\_ , and I subsequently loaded onto \_\_\_\_\_ , at which time we departed the area for return to LZ Washington. Nothing follows.

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| James [REDACTED]                            | Team<br>BWA    | Incident Type<br>Hostile Fire - Aircraft Down                                    |                                                                    |
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On 31 January 2007 I [REDACTED] was the copilot on [REDACTED]. The PIC was [REDACTED] ^J We were the second aircraft in a flight of two. The mission was to transport passengers from Washington AHP to Hillah and return with more passengers. We were supposed to make two runs to Hillah. We took off as a flight of two at approximately 0900 hrs. The [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] systems were turned on and operating in the 'auto' mode. On the return leg to Washington AHP, flying at [REDACTED] cruise, I observed lead's [REDACTED] J and a black smudge on a dirt road similar to the signature of a MANPAD or RPG launch [REDACTED] fc [REDACTED] ailed on the internal air to air frequency that lead was taking fire and started to increase [REDACTED] J. We started to take aircraft hits and the gunners st^ed returnTngTire. [REDACTED] b7E,F

I [REDACTED] J At that point our aircraft was engaged with a large caliber machine gun, at least 12.7mm or larger and AK-47s. The aircraft was struck multiple times and I felt something strike my left arm at the tricep a light blow. The cockpit filled with green smoke making it difficult to see. I lowered my window and the smoke thinned. The Master Caution light was illuminated and the Master Caution Panel 'C BOX OILPRESS" light was on. I looked at the C Box oil pressure gauge and it was showing no oil pressure. I announced this tdf [REDACTED] ^nd he started to maneuver for a safe landing area, [REDACTED] updating lead with the information. I started smelling hot metal and announced that to [REDACTED] las we ll. [REDACTED] landed the aircraft with power, not exceeding any limits and performed an emergency shutdown. Personnel took up defensive positions. At that time I observed fuel pouring out of the left rear fuel tank area. Lead [REDACTED] washable to offload the baggage and take all of us out of the area and return to LZ WashingtonJ"\*\*^\*\*\*") b7E,F

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| Name _____                                                   | Team<br>Air    | 1 Incident Type<br>Hostile Fire • Downed Aircraft (412)                           | 67E<br>lo*<br>b7c                                   |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br>Vicinity * |                | Incident Time<br>toss: *.                                                         | Incident Date<br>31 January, 2007                   |

served in the United States Navy from

\_\_\_\_\_! I then attended Blackwater WPFS #2 training in\_\_\_\_\_. After successfully completing the course requirements, I deployed to Baghdad, Iraq in[\_\_\_\_\_] J While in Iraq, I have worked as Part of the Dept. of State Diplomatic Security Services, protective detail-Blackwater. I have been a part of the aviation section since'

At approximately 1035 hrs. 31 Jan 07,

[myself as the] were on a return flight with [ ] from Hillah. My [ ] carried four passengers and three passengers were in [ ]. As we were passing a small group of three houses at grid (approximate [ ]) I my [ ] received small arms fire from the left side. I was the left side gunner, and could not initially identify a target, but as we approached the larger building of the three, I started seeing big muzzle flashes from a large heavy weapon. The heavy weapon was firing directly at our [ ] and I could see tracers coming over and behind the bird. I returned JTre with 28 rounds from my DSS issue d[ ] trifile in the direction of the muzzle flashes. At this point, ^jiassed over the radio that they were hi Land had to land. We banked right to get a visual on I [ ] and I could hear the right side gunnel? [ ] fire hisf [ ] i Once [ ] was out of the area, we broke contact and went to pull security on our downed aircraft. We landed near I [ ], and I saw that their two gunners had left the helo and were providing security in a covered position approximately 30 meters from the bird in the direction of the "contact". The gunners and pilots from [ ] jcross loaded all equipment and personnel t [ ] , and the gunners from [ ] fell back. Once all personnel were loaded, the gunners providing security was loaded and we flew a direct flight back to LZ Washington. Nothing follows.

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| Blackwater USA                                        | Statement Form |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>01 February 2007 1415 |
| Name _____                                            | Team<br>BWA    | 1 Incident Type<br>Hostile Fire - Aircraft Down                                    |                                                 |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br>IÜH | 1              | locidewb Tiro                                                                      | Incident Date<br>31 January 2007                |

On 31 January, 2007 a flight of two B-412 were tasked with transporting personnel from LZ Washington to Hilla Regional Embassy Office. ^ and! took off at 0900 en route to Hilla to drop off pax and pick up seven more personnel, ^ took four pax and ^ took three. Took off from Hilla back to LZ Washington which is about sixty nautical miles. At approximately eight miles south of LZ Wash. j( ) we heard ground fire while flying at jandl» )

[^started evasive maneuvers, gunners were firing in the back of ] when it seemed we were out of range we did a personnel check for injuries and received a call from that they had been hit and was loosing transmission pressure rapidly and had to find a place to land. We fell in behind! ~ and following him to a safe landing area approximately one mile east of where we were being engaged and provided an overhead cap making the appropriate radio calls to the TOC and Baghdad Radio flight following. Once we knew [ ] landed safely, we landed next to him, dumped all cargo and loaded every person on our aircraft and took off back to LZ Washington. As we took off we had two Apaches on station to guard the downed aircraft. We had contact and engagement at 0948, Q~ J landed at 0950 ^ landed at downed aircraft at 0952 and took off at 0957 with fifteen on board. We landed safely at LZ Washington at 1010.

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad



04 February 2007

Spot Report - 020407-01

**Subject:** COM TST Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 4 February 2007 at approximately 0903 hrs, a        vehicle COM PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) motorcade en-route their staging area encountered an aggressive white sedan driven by one military age male. The TST motorcade was traveling North-west on a 2 lane road when the sedan split the motorcade. The turret gunner of the follow vehicle fired four well-aimed!        (rounds into the trunk/rear of the sedan. The sedan then continued into the motorcade. The front right gunner fired two well-aimed        (rounds into the passenger door area. The vehicle then came to a complete stop. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq**Drafted By:** Christopher Wright, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq**Cleared:** Randell Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

February 04, 2007

**SPOT REPORT 020407-03****SUBJECT:** Complex Attack on COM PSD Resulting in One WIA.**REPORTING OFFICE:** U.S. Embassy Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 4 February 2007 at 1036 hours, a RSO PSD team arrived with two principles at the Central Rail Station for a scheduled meeting. At 1115 hours, the [redacted] reported receiving heavy direct small arms fire (SAF). The [redacted] reported three (3) military aged males (MAM's) armed with two AK-47's and one scoped rifle. The MAM's were located in a CONEX box on the ground to the south of the [redacted] position. <sup>^ 7^</sup>

During this engagement, two RSO Tactical Support Teams (TST) responded to the Central Rail building to support the engaged PSD team, and received heavy SAF along the route and at the location... [redacted]

The c m ; - ' " - [redacted] The RSO I [redacted] team on the roof of the venue remained engaged with a heavy volume of SAF directed at them. <sup>b7E</sup>

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At 1141 hours, Iraqi Police and Iraqi Army arrived on scene. Both TST teams reported at 1143 hours receiving heavy sniper fire from the southwest of the Central Rail Station. At 1145 hours, [redacted] reports one PSD member receiving a gun shot wound to the stomach and COM PSD medics were treating him. f [redacted]

One RSO PSD member was WIA during this engagement, has been treated, and is in stable and satisfactory condition. There were no other COM casualties during this engagement. There are numerous impacts of SAF on COM vehicles.

**RSO ACTION:** Team members are being debriefed, and written statements will be forthcoming.

**DRAFTED BY:** Christopher Wright, Watch Officer, Baghdad

**APPROVED BY:** Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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# INCIDENT REPORT

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**Date of Report:** 4 Feb 07

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**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_ " \_\_\_\_\_

**Task Order: 6**

**Person Releasing Report:** Kevin A. Smalling

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 4 Feb 07

**Time of Incident:** 1036

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** Baghdad Central Rail Station

Personnel Involved:<sup>1</sup> , " , " , "

**Incident Synopsis:** On 4 February 2007 at 1036, an RSO PSD \_\_\_\_\_ team arrived with two principles at the Central Rail Station for a scheduled meeting. At 1115 the

" ~ reported receiving heavy direct small arms fire (SAF) 7 Tfl.e[ ^reported three (3) military aged males armed with two AK-47's and one scoped rifle. The men were located in a CONEX box on the ground to the south of the \_\_\_\_\_ position. The assigned Advance Team \_\_\_\_\_ ) immediately returned to venue to provide support.

During this engagement, two RSO Tactical Support Teams \_\_\_\_\_ "J responded to the Central Rail building to support the engaged PSD team. While en route, and at venue, they received heavy jSAE. I. \_\_\_\_\_

The R S O 1 team \_\_\_\_\_ of the venue remained engaged with a heavy volume of SAF directed at them.

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I \_\_\_\_\_ Kt approximately 1202 DOS air assets extracted the wounded" \_\_\_\_\_ [from the roof and transported him to the 10<sup>th</sup> CSH. All teams remained engaged with heavy SAF until leaving the venue in route to the IZ at approximately 1223.

One RSO PSD member was WIA during this engagement. There were no other COM casualties during this engagement. There were numerous impacts of SAF on COM vehicles.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** One BW IC received a shot to the stomach.

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Any Issue or Preclude Reoccurrence:** N / A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N / A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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| Blackwater USA               | After Action Report (AAR) |        | Date/Time of Statement<br>4 February 2007/1815 Hrs. |
| Name<br>[redacted]           | Team<br>[redacted]        | Situation<br><b>Principal Recovery Evacuation/<br/>Medical Evacuation of Personnel</b> |                                                     |
| Location/Venue<br>[redacted] | [redacted]                | 1 1 *TimJ CfeifreJ*,<br>: iit5-i«o(t ;<br>• • • • •                                    | Date Occurred<br>4 February 2007                    |

VAT | 1 [redacted] served as the [redacted] The following statement is a true and accurate  
uli- representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on 04 Feb 07 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, ^ [redacted] activities during the evacuation and recovery of personnel from the Baghdad Central Rail Station [redacted] incident that occurred on 4 February 2007 at approximately 1115-1300.1 ^personnel involved in this incident included the following:

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On 3 February 2007 at approximately 1715 hours, [redacted] conducted a pre-mission brief. The mission brief included a current situation of teams operating in the red zone and [redacted], vehicle load plan for the following day, actions on contact, and Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force.

On 4 February 2007 at approximately 0815 hours, [redacted] conducted a second pre-mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force. Routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Tactical Commander and the Intelligence and Threat brief was given by the [redacted] (intelligence Analyst. Upon completion of the brief J [redacted] then moved from the [redacted] Staging Area to the vicinity of The Ministry of Interior in order to provide support tof, [redacted] Teams operating in that area of operations.

At approximately 1115 hours, [redacted]; monitored radio traffic on the RSO TOC frequency [redacted] of a situation developing at the Baghdad Central Rail Station involving f [redacted] The [redacted] radio traffic indicated [redacted] was receiving sniper fire while on venue. The ^ [redacted] Shift Leader [redacted] continued to monitor the f" ^ frequency and heard the ( [redacted] [Tactical Support Team [redacted]) tasked with moving to aid with the evacuation of [redacted] from the venue.

Theji [redacted] Shift Leader made the determination to restage [redacted] to a location that would provide quicker reaction time if additional Tactical Support Team assets were needed at The Central Rail Station. At approximately 1120 hours, ^ " [redacted] departed the Ministry of Interior to restage in the International Zone.

Duringi [redacted] transit to the International Zone, Radio traffic indicated that [redacted] had arrived at the Central Rail Station and began receiving small arms fire. Radio traffic also indicated that a member of { [redacted] had been wounded and was in need of medical evacuation. At his point, the [redacted] Shift Leader made the determination to effect movement to Baghdad Central Rail to aid [redacted] in the evacuation of [redacted] ^principal and medical evacuation of the wounded personnel.

r [redacted] made movement with the sirens activated in order to warn traffic of the team's movement. Additionally, all vehicles in thef [redacted} motorcade displayed warning signs stating to stay 100 meters away from the motorcade in both English and Arabic. Asj [redacted] entered' [redacted] the motorcade began receiving small arms fire from Mi [redacted] jrtfrientlccSmolex 4ocafe-10" ftie sostliwesfc

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| Blackwater USA                    | After Action Report (AAR)            |                                                                                        |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>4 February 2007/1815 Hrs. |
| Name _____                        | Team <u>n</u> s                      | Situation<br><b>Principal Recovery Evacuation/<br/>Medical Evacuation of Personnel</b> |                                                                                  |                                                     |
| Location/venue _____<br>f " _____ | [Braille representation of location] |                                                                                        | Date Occurred<br><b>4 February 2007</b>                                          |                                                     |

At approximately 1130 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ arrived at Central Rail Station and thef \_\_\_\_\_ Jghift Leader made coordination with the^ \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader to conduct the evacuation off \_\_\_\_\_ j and, \_\_\_\_\_ Simultaneous with the arrival, the \_\_\_\_\_ Turret PSS' \_\_\_\_\_ j observed four AIF gunmen firing at \_\_\_\_\_ j from a building across the street.

[ ] provided outer perimeter security as \_\_\_\_\_ evacuated \_\_\_\_\_ and their principal. \_\_\_\_\_ received word from the! \_\_\_\_\_ Deputy Detail Leader! \_\_\_\_\_ ! that they were tasked with establishing and setting up a Helicopter Landing Zone to evacuate the wounded personnel oncej \_\_\_\_\_ departed.

At approximately 1215, The \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader made coordination with the} \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader statngthi that he had recovered the \_\_\_\_\_ jpmical and the|| team minus their \_\_\_\_\_ and were departing venue to return to the International Zone.

Oncej \_\_\_\_\_ departed venue, \_\_\_\_\_ repositioned the motorcade and \_\_\_\_\_ l to set up a HLZ for the extract of wounded personnel and to recover! \_\_\_\_\_ [(Advance Team for \_\_\_\_\_ )] from the venue. The wounded person was evacuated by BW Air from the rooftop of the venue. Once the medical evacuation was complete, the \_\_\_\_\_ J team, along with the \_\_\_\_\_ made hasty movement to the motorcade. Once all personnel were recovered from the site, a full accountability of personnelj and equipment was conducted and the^ \_\_\_\_\_ Motorcade escorted) \_\_\_\_\_ / off venue into checkpoint! iwith \_\_\_\_\_ the support of \_\_\_\_\_ ] and \_\_\_\_\_ j along the route. Upon entering checkpoint^ \_\_\_\_\_ [was directed to move to the vicinity of Checkpoint ^ to support the other)] ^ \_\_\_\_\_ \ teams operating in the Red Zone.

During the sequence of events thef\* \_\_\_\_\_ Ishift Lead advised the RSO TOC of the developing circumstances to the best of his ability but due to the ever changing situation and multiple threat encounters did not report every contact the team made. Once safely inside) \_\_\_\_\_ ishift lead advised both his direct chain of command t^ \_\_\_\_\_ j DL) and the RSO TOC of the complete chain of events.

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| <b>Blackwater USA</b>                         | <b>After Action Report (AAR)</b> |  | <b>Date/Time of Statement</b><br><b>05 February 2007/0800 Hrs.</b> |
| <b>Name</b><br>C. J.                          | <b>Team</b>                      | <b>Situation</b>                                                                  | <b>Recovery</b>                                                    |
| <b>Location/Venue</b><br>Baghdad Central Rail |                                  | <b>Time Occurred</b><br>0915                                                      | <b>Date Occurred</b><br>04 February 2007                           |

c \_\_\_\_\_ I serve as a member of, \_\_\_\_\_ The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on 04 Feb 07 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, ^\_\_\_\_\_, 1 activities during the rescue of: \_\_\_\_\_; andf \_\_\_\_\_ J from Baghdad Central Rail' \_\_\_\_\_ located on the northeast corner of the intersection commonly referred to as \_\_\_\_\_; This incident occurred on 04 February 2007 at approximately 0915 hours. 1 personnel involved in this incident included the following: \_\_\_\_\_

On 04 February 2007 at approximately 0815, [redacted] conducted a mission briefing. The mission brief included rules of engagement, firearms policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence to include sniper activity, recent small arms attacks, kidnappings involving persons acting like Americans, and explosive attacks in the Baghdad area.

At approximately 1115, while staged in the vicinity of checkpoint ^ \_\_\_\_\_ ; heard \_\_\_\_\_ advise the TOC via [71] radio of receiving small arms and sniper fire at their venue and their f \_\_\_\_\_ ! \_\_\_\_\_ were actively engaged with gunmen in the area! \_\_\_\_\_ immediately departed checkpoint for \_\_\_\_\_ 1 venue and simultaneously started coordinating the extraction via [ ] radio. \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ; Shift Leader (S/L) \_\_\_\_\_ advised \_\_\_\_\_ they were m \_\_\_\_\_ on the first floor and awaiting \_\_\_\_\_ arrival for extract. [ ] J Shift Leader (S/L)] \_\_\_\_\_ „ 1, who having advanced for \_\_\_\_\_ had just left the venue, immediately advised \_\_\_\_\_ that they were returning to Central Rail in order to assist \_\_\_\_\_ J in the securing of their principal and venue to await arrival of \_\_\_\_\_ .

Upon arrival at the Venue, ! advised J of their location. ! 1 formed a co\_joca^T Qn ip,e east/north east side of the venue. | immediately came «wy»- : Mb «1» under direct AIF small arms fire. f held its position assessing the area and looking for the location of the AIF gunmen while' . . . 3- Several J turret PSS' began scanning the area using binoculars and [ turret PSS' also observed! and ] in an attempt to identify the persistent threat. Raven the areas indicated by the( land \ and! - for threats. The only Y " JJESS' able to positively identify and engage threats were the following: ^

The aforementioned PSS' observed AIF gunmen firing from several different locations, to include from street level, to the south east near the t-walls, and buildings across the street, as well as from roof tops and windows of buildings located approximately 800 meters to the east and south east of the venue.

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| Blackwater USA                         | - After Action Report (AAR) |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>05 February 2007/0800 Hrs. |
| Name<br>1                              | Team<br>1                   | Situation<br>Recovery                                                            |                                                      |
| Location/Venue<br>Baghdad Central Rail |                             | Time Occurred<br>Q9ts#                                                           | Date Occurred<br>04 February 2007                    |

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V Upon positioning the ERVj [añielementos of] extracted the principals and AIC from Central Rail directly into the

I ^ fire team recovered and all personnel were accounted for. advised ( ) that their were still located on the rooftop and that they were currently recovering them. Simultaneously, j advised that had just had one member hit by incoming enemy fire. lattempted to coordinate the transport of the injured PSSf whom was struck by a round to the abdomen. It was immediately determined that an air evacuation was required due to the severity of the wound. This was being coordinated by and personnel. stayed on venue until the aircraft arrived and began to load the injured PSS for extraction.

I selected to leave their in place to provide for i ^ (-then departed the venue with j personnel and vehicles in addition to the principal. The element arrived at the IZ through checkpoint^ and once safely inside, cross-loaded i principal back into the [ ] element. I then departed the IZ to assist elements still on the ground at the venue.

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I,-te, F Upon leaving the venue, j proceeded to check point^ without further incident.

Upon entering check point i was re-supplied with All personnel were again accounted for and no injuries were noted. was then tasked with staging at check point ^ awaiting the return of all teams to the IZ.

Upon completion of all missions, [returned to the parking area.^ 1 inspected vehicles where it did not appear any vehicles had been damaged by enemy fire. No^ Personnel were injured during the incident //END//

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| Blackwater USA                                                                 | Statement Form |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>6/30/2010 4:04 PM |
| Name _____                                                                     | Team _____     | Incident Type<br><b>Enemy SAF</b>                                                |                                             |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br><b>(Central Rail Station</b> | 5*<br>1        | Incident Time<br>tue*:::                                                         | Incident Date<br>04Feb07                    |

I, [REDACTED], am a member of [REDACTED] PSD Team. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on February 4th, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

On 03 February 2007, [REDACTED] was tasked with a mission to Baghdad Central Rail Station [REDACTED]. The mission statement was for [REDACTED] to conduct an advance for [REDACTED]. At 1700 hours [REDACTED] Shift Leader, conducted a mission brief. The State Department Rules of Engagement were covered along with the actions on contact, routes, and specific duties of each team member and vehicle assignments. Intelligence was presented concerning the Baghdad AO and [REDACTED] "1 and previous incidents at this venue were discussed." TM

On 04 February 2007 at 0900 hours, [REDACTED] received the morning intelligence. The Shift Leader, [REDACTED], informed the team of their expected routes along with current high threats in the vicinity of the team's movement.

At 0915 hours [REDACTED] moved to [REDACTED] Baghdad Central Rail Station to Advance [REDACTED] arrived on venue and team members were deployed to establish security prior to [REDACTED] arrival. [REDACTED] arrived on venue and [REDACTED] "escorted" [REDACTED] principals, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] to the meeting room without incident.

[REDACTED] and [REDACTED] then conducted a security turnover on venue with [REDACTED] team members replacing [REDACTED] established security positions. At approximately 1120 hours, [REDACTED] recovered all personnel and departed [REDACTED] on a route return to the International Zone, [REDACTED] was passing through when [REDACTED] broadcast over [REDACTED] that they were receiving heavy small arms fire. Shift Leader instructed the Tactical Commander, [REDACTED] to take [REDACTED] back to [REDACTED] then crossed over the median approximately 100- 150 meters south west of [REDACTED], and returned to [REDACTED] to support

Upon returning to [REDACTED] linked up with [REDACTED] Shift Leader, [REDACTED] to access the situation and get a location from where [REDACTED] were being engaged, [REDACTED] advised [REDACTED] that the fire was coming from the 12 o' clock of Blue 40 [approximately 200 meters across the street]. [REDACTED] also advised [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] had no injuries. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] decided that [REDACTED] (would stay in place in order to cover the extraction of the principals and would recover with [REDACTED])

[REDACTED] land! [REDACTED] took cover behind some civilian vehicles to provide over watch \*Sir cover the east entrance to the venue in case of any follow on attacks from VBIEDS or continuing small arms fire.

[REDACTED] all deployed to the south east side of the venue. While at this position there were numerous rounds impacting the sidewalk. These rounds were coming from the south east [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] saw 3-5 gunmen with AK-47's actively engaging their position and

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| Name<br>1                                                                | Team<br>1            | Incident Type<br>Enemy SAF                                                       |                                             |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br>(Central Rail Station) | mmmmmm ; mmm . * . m | Incident Time<br>1120                                                            | Incident Date<br>04Feb07                    |

During this time TST ( ) arrived on venue and formed ai " " on the east side of motorcade. TST began coordinating with! " to return both principals back to . TST was receiving small arms fire from different directions.

; Shift Leader, instructed and and mnd j gunner) to reposition to the rooftop and assist J. /and I J; had made it to the rooftop below \ (position when TST arrived on venue and they were taking fire from the parking lot area located east of jengagedjone gunman in that parking lot. land f continued to move to the tower where! were positioned to assist them. Upon arriving at ^ ^ position and j were getting information from j as to the exact location of the gunmen. At that time was shot in the stomach. pulled^ into the middle of the tower floor to get him away from the ledge where he was positioned. Tillery took up the overwatchjposition while\, started first aid on. called for a medic and informed jShift Leader that a (had been shot) overheard the call for a medic and that someone at the l position was shot! /left his element covering the entrance and linked up and I ^ ^ / went to the rooftop[ position and began administering medical aid.. ~ started coordinating the extraction of the injured man.

j instructed a n i itçjnçve^ J, othe, HLZ, and remained provide^ land^ s and joaded 1 into the little bird. B W Air departed with\ and both door gunners on board.

[ departed f inside the ; TST motorcade. TST had arrived at J and began coordinating with regarding the routes and configuration of the motorcade. recovered all of its personnel again and departed^ J tucked inside the motorcade. L—. TST had deployed to various intersections to secure the return route . ^ had no further incidents and returned to\ j-END-

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| Name<br>r                                                                       | Team           | Incident Type<br><b>Enemy Contact</b>                                            |                                                  |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br>/ Baghdad Central Rail^taUOfi |                | Incident Time<br>Apprx1120:                                                      | Incident Date<br>2/4/2007                        |

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M \_\_\_\_\_ I am a member of \_\_\_\_\_ PSD Team. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on February 4th, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

On 4 February 2007, \_\_\_\_\_ conducted an operations order prior to the mission to Baghdad Central Rail Station \_\_\_\_\_. During this briefing, J reviewed the rules of engagement, intelligence brief, actions on contact, ^sector sketch of the venue and team sop's. All team members were familiar with the venue due to the numerous times I \_\_\_\_\_ had been there over the past few months.

At approximately 1000 hours, I \_\_\_\_\_ fdeparted the International Zone and arrived at the Central Rail Station at approximately 1040 hours. \_\_\_\_\_ was the advance element at the venue and secured the area while I moved the principal to the meeting location. Land, both

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At approximately 1105 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ reported that there were four Iraqi males in a parking lot, 300 meters south east of his location with AK-47's, milling around a large connex box. A few minutes later, \_\_\_\_\_ reported that an Iraqi male with a scoped rifle was also present with the group. \_\_\_\_\_ continued to observe the group of males which posed no direct threat to \_\_\_\_\_ at that moment.

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At approximately 1120, \_\_\_\_\_ the advance team, departed the venue to return to \_\_\_\_\_. At approximately 1123, J reported that he and I were being engaged by the individuals in the parking lot. \_\_\_\_\_ instructed {the PSO, to j and stand by for an extraction from venue. F then notified the TOC of the situation on venue and requested TST support. \_\_\_\_\_ continued to take enemy fire from the parking lot and from the main entrance of a building adjacent to the parking lot^ was passing through \_\_\_\_\_ and they immediately returned to support! \_\_\_\_\_

seeing no threats in his sector that he could detect, then repositioned next to \_\_\_\_\_ to help identify additional threats. \_\_\_\_\_ relayed over the radio that he was being engaged by an Iraqi gun truck 200 meters to the east of his location. \_\_\_\_\_ then relayed over the radio to \_\_\_\_\_ that he had a visual on TST and they were inbound to \_\_\_\_\_ location. As \_\_\_\_\_ TST arrived they were engaged by an unknown number of weapons from the north east sector from the venue.

At approximately 1135, \_\_\_\_\_ was hit in the stomach with a high caliber round that punched through the concrete wall. \_\_\_\_\_ immediately pulled \_\_\_\_\_ away from the wall and began first aid to control the bleeding from his stomach. \_\_\_\_\_ tried to relay to \_\_\_\_\_ that \_\_\_\_\_ had been hit, but \_\_\_\_\_ was unable to make positive communication with anyone! \_\_\_\_\_ internal frequency. \_\_\_\_\_ made contact with \_\_\_\_\_ shift leader and coordinated the extraction of the team's principals. \_\_\_\_\_ then made contact with \_\_\_\_\_ J Shift Leader and requested that he help recover the team in order to expedite the removal of \_\_\_\_\_ principals from the venue. Once \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were ready to extract the principals, the call came over the net that one of them had been shot on the roof. \_\_\_\_\_ held their departure to determine if the wounded(\_\_\_\_\_) would be extracted with \_\_\_\_\_ and TST or by BW Air. \_\_\_\_\_ rooftop element relayed that they were having trouble stopping the bleeding and requested \_\_\_\_\_ for the wounded! \_\_\_\_\_ At this point \_\_\_\_\_ ensured he had all his team members except for his! \_\_\_\_\_ team and gave control of the motorcade to \_\_\_\_\_ shift leader for

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movement back to the International Zone. [redacted] was then attached to [redacted] intel [redacted], was taken by AirtotheCSH. b7C-76

[redacted] and [redacted] returned to the International Zone without further incident.//END OF STATEMENT/// b7C-76

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| Blackwater USA                                                                   | Statement Form         | BLACKWATER                                            | Date/Time of Statement<br>4 Feb. 2007 2000 Hrs. |
| Name<br>1                                                                        | Team                   | Incident Type<br><b>Extraction of Team from Venue</b> |                                                 |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br><b>'Central Rail Station!'</b> | Incident Time<br>12m>* | Incident Date<br><b>4 Feb 2007</b>                    |                                                 |

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On Feb 4<sup>th</sup> 2007 at approximately 0900 J began conducting training on the and weapon systems. At approximately 1 13<sup>00</sup> was notified via) / radio traffic that and were taking enemy contact at their venue, Baghdad Central Rail station.

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and were responding to the call when the Shift Leader for received a call from ~Detail Leader and was told to have / gear up and stand-by at to assist if needed. had to take two CAT vehicles from\* to have a vehicle

motorcade. Once was ready to move they staged at and awaited further instructions. Upon the safe return of ] and I into the IZ^ was instructed to depart and to assist , and\* I with their extraction from ) with traffic control. J safely returned the principal back to the IZ and then returned to further assist the extraction of other teams. Once and j were ready to move i stopped all traffic in the vicinity of! from entering the area in order to expedite /and /movement. then proceeded to clear from to As' and' were moving back to the IZ, their route would take them from venue to Jin at /provided a loose trail to the! units into ! without incident.

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Once ^safely returned inside the IZ, restaged at to further assist other! teams in the Red Zone. Shortly after arriving at /was tasked with providing direct support to ^movement from their venue back to the International Zone. linked up with 800 meters north of incorporated them into ^ motorcade, and escorted them back to the IZ. safely escortedf 1 without incident except for the firing of one pen flare south of The route back took and jto /to' into After was back inside the IZ, 1 staged at Jo provide support for Once ~ was safely inside , returned to and secured communications for the day.

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| <i>Blackwater USA</i>                          | Statement Form |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>4 Feb. 2007 2000 Hrs. |
| Name                                           | Team           | Incident Type                                                                     | Extraction of Team from Venue                   |
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As of this morning, [REDACTED] was wounded in action (WIA) while deployed in Efaqhaa. [REDACTED] was breitly [REDACTED] and depending the outcome, the CSH will hold him for at least a day before transporting him North for after care (NFI).

It appears that a PSD [REDACTED] Detail) and a TST team became under intense W1^t<sup>1</sup> insurgent fire while on venue. It appears that [REDACTED] was hit by a 50 cal. round after penetrating a wall at his over watch location (injuries to the lower abdomen just under his protective vest). b7C

Due to the intense ground contact, [REDACTED] Once the ground contact had been suppressed, [REDACTED] was air evac to the CSH for immediate care. b7E,F V

I will keep you posted as new developments become available (official reports to follow). This said, all team members are accounted for and secure. No other injuries to report at this time.

Over the last few months we have seen an increase in insurgent activity towards our WPPS protective elements in Baghdad. They have clearly demonstrated their intent with new methods of deployment, attack planning and execution phases - multi-phases including additional/secondary layers attached to the attack (reactionary forces) .

I have asked the in-country leadership to discuss new methods of operations with the RSO office (ground and air). It appears the insurgents have become aware and very knowledgeable of our signature. They have had ample opportunity to study our methods, routes travel, and all scheduled venues visited.

Best Regards -

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

February 07, 2007

**SPOT REPORT 020707-01****SUBJECT:** SAF Attack on a COM PSD.**REPORTING OFFICE:** U.S. Embassy Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 7 February 2007 at approximately 1000 hours, a RSO PSD team arrived with five (5) principles at the Ministry of Justice for a scheduled meeting. At 1130 hours, the \_\_\_\_\_ ion the roof reported receiving direct small arms fire (SAF) while the principles were still in the meeting.

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The \_\_\_\_\_ {had initially observed three (3) military aged males on the rooftop of a burned-out building immediately south of his location. The \_\_\_\_\_ observed one MAM armed with an RPK, and two AK-47s leaning against the roof guard walls and one PKM on a chair. One of the MAMs picked up the PKM and fired a burst directed at \_\_\_\_\_ ; the \_\_\_\_\_ "returned fire and observed the assailant go down. A SAF exchange erupted between the AIFs and \_\_\_\_\_ and sporadically continued for approximately 20 minutes. Purportedly, three (3) more MAMs were neutralized.

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At 1145 hours, one RSO Tactical Support Team (TST) responded to the Ministry of Justice building in support of the Iraqi Police and Iraqi National Guard were on scene). At 1154 hours, the motorcade of five principals was en-route to the International Zone leaving behind a crowd of 20 to 30 local nationals that had gathered near the Ministry of Justice.

There were no COM casualties or injuries during this incident.

**RSO ACTION:** RSO air asset was on stand-by for possible extraction support. Team members were debriefed, and written statements will be forthcoming. DS/CC notified.

DRAFTED BY: Roque Salas, Watch Officer, Baghdad

APPROVED BY: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

### INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

Date of Report: 7 Feb 07

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Location: Vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_,

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 7 Feb 07

Time of Incident: 1130

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Ministry of Justice

Personnel Involved: )

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**Incident Synopsis:** On 7 February 2007, at approximately 1130, \_\_\_\_\_ was on venue at the Ministry of Justice when the "H" on the roof started receiving precision small arms fire (PSAF) from the South/Southeast of the venue. The \_\_\_\_\_ returned fire, placing well aimed shots on the threat. A steady volume of PSAF continued and the \_\_\_\_\_ again returned fire placing well aimed shots on a second threat. \_\_\_\_\_ (a \_\_\_\_\_) arrived on venue for support, and shortly after returned with \_\_\_\_\_ to the International Zone. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets.

Outline injuries if applicable: Wofie\*

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

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**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD



U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

08 February 2007

Spot Report - 020807-01

Subject: Threat engaged by COMj \_\_\_\_\_.team

Reporting Office: RSOA1-Hillah

**Summary:** At approximately 0945 hours, a COM advance team noted two suspicious personnel on a rooftop approximately ~~xx~~ meters from their

venue. ~~J~~personnel identify the individuals and reported that one Iraqi male was carrying a weapon with a scope. While observing the possible target, the individual took up a shooting stance and directed the weapon ~~wx~~ towards the advance team. One ~~~~~ fired 5 rounds, while a second ~~~~~ engaged the target with 3 rounds. The advance team leader immediately notified RSO Hillah TOC of the situation, and the team took up a defensive posture. The principle motorcade, carrying 3 COM personnel, was staged for departure from the REO when the RSO cancelled the movement. The advance team was recalled to the REO and all off compound travel was cancelled. All personnel have been accounted for; there were no COM injuries/casualties.

**RSO Action:** Team members are being debriefed and written statements are forthcoming. RSO has contacted local police and military authorities to conduct an area assessment. RSO will continue to monitor the situation and report any further details when available.

**LOCATION:**

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# PSD INCIDENT REPORT

Date of Incident **i** 08 Feb 07    i TIME of incident \* Appro\* t)94t)

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**Type of Incident**  Use of Lethal Force"

(i.e. Use of Lethal Force A Use of Non or Less Lethal Force/Distinction Dev'tct Deployed/Ambush)

**Location of Incident:** Farmers Union/Religious University (  Incident  
(DescrB>e location In detail. Include route name, local tar>dmarks, &dcoortilnatBSif known, etc.) occurred when a suspicious person on the rooftop aimed weapon at PSD Motorcade.

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**Description of Incident**  
(Describe In detail the nature of the Incident, all personnel involved, Prtndple(s) Involved, Injuries, If any, other US government and/or NGQa Invoked, either foreign nationals, TCNs and/or non JJS government agendas involved, etc.)

On the 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2007 at approximately 0920J ^departed from the Regional Embassy Office - A1 Hillah in 4 [vehicle motorcade. (Fig. 1.1 Load Plan)

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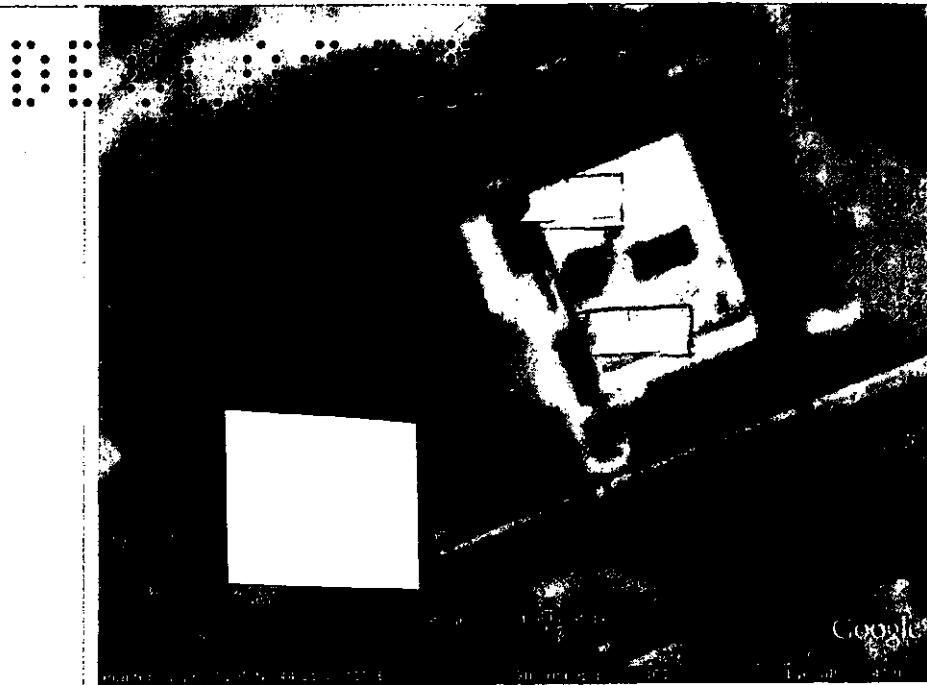
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The route taken was the same as specified in the OPORD. We departed "fonto Route" continuing South into Karbala Circle, Welhen went through traffic onto Route and then proceeded another 50 meters and turned South onto Power Line Road. After traveling down Power Line Road we came to the venue access road and turned east and finally entered the Farmers Union Office Complex, Upon arrival at approximately 0929 separated into smaller teams to move in the each position planned earlier. At this time the vehicles were staged in their predetermined locations. The (was able to watch the residential area from where the threat was first detected. The Lead HUMVEE was oriented

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DB : South East areas. My K-9 Asset and Handler<sup>I</sup> started searching the immediate area whilef \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ I moved to the rear of the single story conference room and the East Mosque Gate. I was co located with the Tactical Commander \_\_\_\_\_ J and our interpreter. Myself, \_\_\_\_\_ and the interpreter were on the interior of the two story office building. While we were waiting for the Mosque Security Director to meet us I overheard the CAV Commander relay to the I. \_\_\_\_\_ I that he had a visual on a suspicious individual. The Senior \_\_\_\_\_ was able to locate the person in question and let everyone know that it was a single male with what appeared to be a broom handle. I told him to keep watching that area and tell me if anything changed. After another 5 minutes the CAV Commander once again relayed that there was another individual in the same area crouched with what appeared to be a rifle stock visible. The \_\_\_\_\_ both observed the second male and confirmed that he did have a rifle. The second Iraqi male then presented his weapon and pointed it at our motorcade. I then heard the<sup>A</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ engage the target with what I counted to be 5 to 7 rounds. I immediately told the motorcade to prepare the vehicles for departure and then covered \_\_\_\_\_ and the interpreter as they moved to their vehicle. I was en route to my own vehicle and called for the exterior security element to move back to the vehicles. Once \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ were back aLthe-vehicles the motorcade provided over watch while the? \_\_\_\_\_ moved to our

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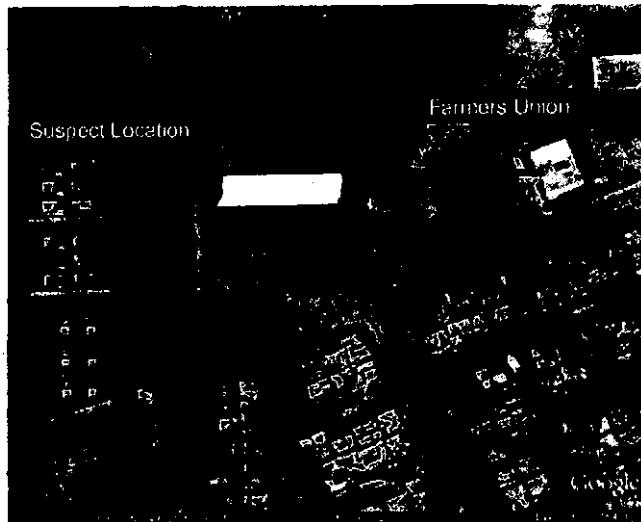
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 Reaction Force. Once everyone was loaded into the vehicles we left the  
 venue and moved back to the Regional Embassy Office. We moved via  
 RTI Access Road to \_\_\_\_\_ Road and toned north. Once we got too the  
 intersection of Route) \_\_\_\_\_ Road we turned west and moved  
 toward Karbala Circle. We then turned North onto Route \_\_\_\_\_ and  
 entered' \_\_\_\_\_ and was secure on base at approximately 0955.  
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#### Action Taken

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 deployed pin flares, deployed specific weapons  
 systems, etc.)

[redacted] engaged threat and we returned safely back to the REO. b7E,F

#### Follow-Up Required

(Indicate what if any folio WHIP action is required, i.e.  
 further investigation, notifications, etc.)

Debriefed with Regional Security Officer.

| Operators Involved |             | Vehicle(s) Involved |  | Team(s) Involved |
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Date of Report: 8 Feb 07

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Location: Vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ i ^

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kevin A. Smalling

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 8 Feb 07

Time of Incident: 0945

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Farmer's Union Building

Personnel Involved: ( b7E, F )

Incident Synopsis: On 8 February 2007 at approximately 0945, a Hillah COM advance team noticed two suspicious personnel on a rooftop approximately 300 meters from their venue (Farmer's Union Building). \_\_\_\_\_ identified the individuals and reported that one Iraqi male was carrying a weapon with a scope. While observing the possible target, the individual took up a shooting stance and directed the weapon towards the advance team. One fired 5 rounds, while a second \_\_\_\_\_, engaged the target with 3 rounds. The advance team leader immediately notified RSO Hillah TOC of the situation, and the team took up defensive positions. The Principal motorcade, carrying 3 COM personnel, was staged for departure from the REO when the RSO cancelled the movement. The advance team was recalled to the REO and all off compound travel was cancelled. All personnel have been accounted for. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM vehicles or property.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Person Releasing Report: Andrew Holmes

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC

Date of Incident: 08 FEB 07

Time of Incident: 0945 HRS

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Farmers Union

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_.

**Incident Synopsis:** On 08 February 2007, at approximately 0945 HRS, Team\_J as the advanced team at the Farmers Union was alerted to a threat on the West side of their location. Both " \_\_\_\_\_ visually spotted two males on the rooftop, one male subject had a scoped rifle and was taking up a shooting stance above the roof ledge and was now aiming through the scoped rifle directly at COM Personnel. After seeing the male subject taking up a shooting stance and aiming through the scoped rifle, the COM\_j \_\_\_\_\_ engaged the target with 5 rounds from one f " /and 3 rounds from the other. Team\_t o o k up a defensive posture and alerted the Hillah RSO TOC of the situation. The principal team (Team\_\_\_\_) which was staged and preparing to depart the REO for the Farmers Union was notified about the situation and the movement was canceled by the RSO. The advanced team returned to the REO with no further incidents and all COM personnel were accounted for.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** After Action was conducted and statements were taken and are on file in the PSD Office Al-Hillah.

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, PSOC, PSD-DDL, DPM, PM, RSO TOC - Baghdad.

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report

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## **Sworn Statement**

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**Location** Farmers Union/Religious University "1

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On 8 February 2007 my PSD team went on an advance mission to a ^ faTC, F Farmers Union location in Al Hillah. Upon arrival on the venue around 0930 hours I went to the roof of a two story Democratic Center building adjacent to Farmers Union building. b6

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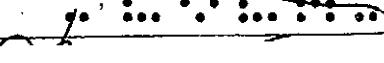
To the west of the venue, across "the "power line" road there were multiple residential houses. Immediately I noticed two males on the roof of the far right house in my sector. After a scan with my binoculars I determined that the older person had a long object in his hand that looked like a broom. I

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proceeded to scan the rooftops of other buildings. A minute later I received a radio call from T, i ^ Wsmber and a CAV commander on the ve' ^ e|/. V i... j'j >r. ff\*a;e5\*m4 fJaiS. She two people on the rooftop of the building I just scanned were acting suspicious. I looked on to the building again and saw two above mentioned individuals moving around the roof but no weapons were visible at that time. b6  
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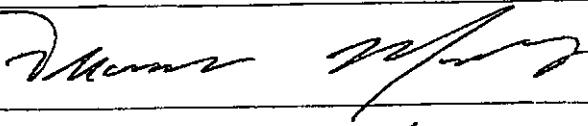
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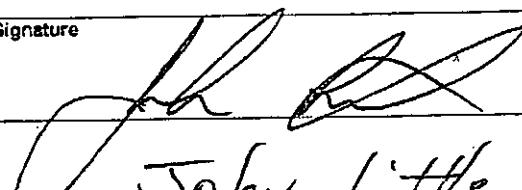
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On 8 February 2007, the PSD team that I am assigned to as the \_\_\_\_\_ Team \_\_\_\_\_ conducted an advance mission to the Farmers Union. I \_\_\_\_\_ is the other assigned \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ Team. We took our positions<sup>2</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ the Democracy Center building-adjacent to the^ Farmers Union building." we positioned ourselves on the \_\_\_\_\_ side of the \_\_\_\_\_ to cover the drop location. The<sup>1</sup> \$ team was notified by \_\_\_\_\_ via radio that he had observed a suspicious male on a roof top. \_\_\_\_\_ directed us to the roof in question by landmarks and approximate range. The location was a two story residence with a large

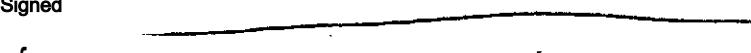
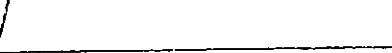
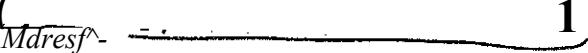
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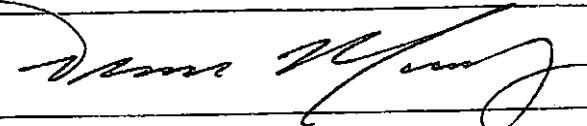
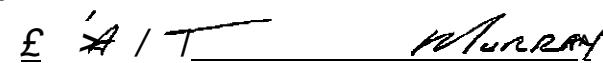
flat roof approximately \_\_\_\_\_ yards from our position. The flas'rcjo? hSs^dire»t «line' of 3&gft. Vo JCie drop location and our position \$j> ... tfto^..^b-vUVI\* P?erTAKi. °?.®f the suspect roof I observed a young Iraqi male to have what appeared to be a broom or mop in his hands. Both \_\_\_\_\_ and I agreed that this was not a threat and moved on to scanning the surrounding area. Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ was aware of the situation and instructed us to monitor the roof. \_\_\_\_\_ again notified us via radio that he was observing a suspicious male on the same roof and the suspect now had a rifle which he described as having a stock. I moved my observation back to the suspect roof and observed two males. The younger male still had what appeared to be a broom. The other male subject had a rifle that appeared to have an optic which I observed by seeing a reflection from it. The male had taken an aggressive crouched position at the edge of the roof with the rifle pointing in our direction. I acquired a site picture on the suspect male with my[ ]Rifle. I fired three rounds at the suspect and disengaged when the suspect disappeared from view and the other male fled the roof via a roof access door which he closed. I covered \_\_\_\_\_ as he moved to a position of cover and we moved \_\_\_\_\_ to the waiting vehicles. As the motorcade passed by the suspect location I observed the roof access door to still be closed and saw no movement on the roof. I did see what appeared to be a white four door passenger vehicle leaving the vicinity of the residence. The convoy returned to the REO without further incident. \*\*\*End of Report\*\*\*

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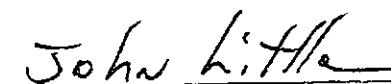
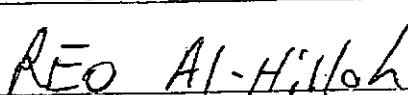
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J                          ^ was conducting an advance mission to the Farmers Union/Religious University for             , team              in support of              ~ team              I was seated in the front passenger side of the Vehicle. There were no issues on the route from the REO to the venue. When we arrived at the venue the Counter Assault Vehicle was positioned to cover the side gate to the West, at approximately 0930, I was informed by              J who was seated as the well gunner in the Counter Assault Vehicle that she observed two Male subject's on a rooftop to the west of the venue. J advised me that the two subjects were acting suspiciously and pointing a long sticklike object at our position. I then obtained the same pair of binoculars that J was utilizing to spot the subject's. I then walked to the west wall of

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the venue were I took up a stabilized position to view nhe two subject's through the bino<aj:s; At thafc<sup>j</sup>time f^feseYvadIttisSugh the binoculars one subject to h\*v6 ^le^il»^ «^ Jn . .hans, and the other subject to be seated down as I could only see the top o= his head. As I continued to wat^h the gubject's I informed my findings to the \_\_\_\_\_ ^  
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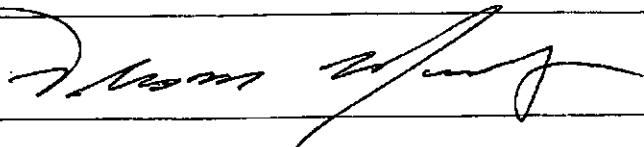
As" I continued my"observation' T'' observed^the"subject with the long slender object take up a stabilized position on the rooftop in which he was on and point the long slender item towards our position. At this time I observed through the binoculars that the long slender object, tan in color, was a long rifle of some sort as the subject got up and gave me a side view of his person. At this time I saw through my binoculars the side profile of what the subject was holding. I then clearly observed a long rifle of some sort. The subject had the stock of the weapon tucked into the right pocket of his shoulder area with the weapon pointed towards the floor, at this time I also obtained a good side view of a black colored, short but thick cylindrical item that was positioned on the top of the weapon, at this time I identified the cylindrical item to be sighting optics of some sort. At this same time I observed the subject very quickly take up another stabilized position on the rooftop in which he was on and take aim with the weapon pointed at our position. At this time I also saw a slight shimmer from the reflection of the sun come from the top of the weapon believing that it was from the optics of the weapon. I then immediately advised the two " " \* [z^] j- ~ and \_\_\_\_\_ j who then also observed the same threat b7C and engaged the threat.

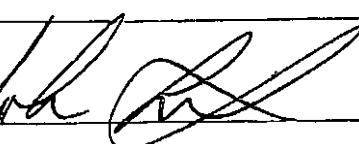
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I assisted in the mission to the Farmers Union/Religious University in support of Team       . I was seated in the well of the Counter Assault Vehicle, which is the r<sup>o</sup>ted vehicle in the motorcade. There were no issues on the route from the RSO to the venue. When we arrived at the venue we positioned the Counter Assault Vehicle to cover the side gate, located on the West side of the compound. I spotted two individuals to the west on the far right of the rooftop, at or about 0930. I got the binoculars and noticed that the two individuals were suspiciously pointing a long sticklike object at us. They were crouching behind the wall on the roof and standing up periodically. I informed the Counter Assault Vehicle Commander of the vehicle and he took the binoculars to further confirm the activity. I oriented my weapon in the direction of the potential threat and monitored activity in my sector and the sector of potential threat.

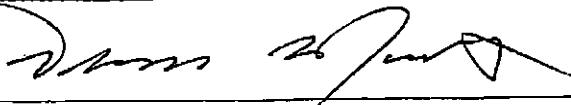
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I The Following" statement ~fs~ submitted to""provide information concerning the incident that occurred on February 8, 2007 at the Hillah Religious University involving \_\_\_\_\_ rrom Blackwater PSD Team'\_\_j, Al Hillah Iraq,

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At approximately 0930 on February 8, 2007, \_\_\_\_ / Team.'\_\_\_\_ arrived at the Al Hillah Farmers Union/Religious University to conduct a site advance for a scheduled meeting between U.S. Government personnel and host nationals^ At approximately 0940^ I heard a radio transmission from IC  
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concerning his observation through binoculars of one or possibly two individuals on a ~~co~~oftiCp we^t of, tfcc yjiiVersity Compound. b6 I=7L  
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The above statement constitutes the extent of my knowledge of the events mentioned

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 5 day of  
February, 2083.

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S/A Thomas Murphy

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On the 8<sup>th</sup> of February 2007 at approximately 0920 Team [ ] departed from the Regional Embassy Office - Al Hillah in a vehicle motorcade. The route taken was the same as specified in the OPORD. Team [ ] departed onto Route [ ] continuing South into Karbala Circle.

Team; [ ] then went through traffic onto Route [ ] and then proceeded another 50 meters and turned South onto Power Line Road. After traveling down Power Line Road Team [ ] came to the venue access road and turned east and finally entered the Farmers Union Office Complex [ ]

Upon arrival at approximately 0929 Team [ ] separated into smaller teams to move in the each position planned earlier. At this time the vehicles were staged in their predetermined locations. The Counter Assault Vehicle was oriented to the West and was able to [ ] from where the threat was first detected. The HUMVEE was oriented [ ] and the " [ ] vehicle was parked [ ]

Handler [ ] started searching the immediate area while [ ] and [ ] moved to the rear of the single story conference room and the East Mosque Gate. The Team Leader was co located with the Tactical Commander [ ] and the Team Interpreter. Team Leader [ ] and the interpreter were on the interior of the two story office building.

While the team was waiting for the Mosque Security Director to meet with the team the team leader overheard the CAV Commander relay to the [ ] that he had a visual on a suspicious individual. The Senior [ ] [ ] was able to locate the person in question and let [ ]. Everyone knew that it was a single male with what appeared to be a broom handle. I told him to keep watching that area and tell me if anything changed. After another 5 minutes the CAV Commander once again relayed that there was another individual in the same area crouched with what appeared to be a rifle stock visible.

The [ ] both observed the second male and confirmed that he did [ ] have a rifle. The second Iraqi male then presented his weapon and pointed it at our motorcade. I then heard the\* [ ] engage the target with what I counted to be 5 to 7 rounds. I immediately told the [ ] to prepare the vehicles for departure and then covered [ ] [ ] and the interpreter as they moved to their vehicle. As the team leader was en route to his vehicle he called for the exterior security element to move back to the vehicles. Once [ ] and [ ] were back at the vehicles t] ^ .wpUorc^ ^e ^jrowided' ^e » watectawhTi ^i' TEE / [ ] moved to our loeaki®. ! Tfca « ; Team\*deader fefs;or?jt|i4 radio relaying [ ]

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what was going on to the TOC and made it clear that the primary motorcade should not continue their mission. The Team Leader also let the TOC know that they did not need a Quick Reaction Force. Once everyone was loaded into the vehicles the Team departed the venue and moved bacjc^ to the Regional Embassy Office. The Team moved via RTI Access Road to I .JRaii and ^turned north. Once Team , J>got too the intersection of Route \_\_\_\_\_, and j Road we turned west and moved toward Karbala Circle. The motorcade then turned North onto Route/\_\_\_\_\_ and entered \_\_\_\_\_/and was secure on base at approximately 0955.-END-

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

February 9, 2007

Spot Report 020907-05

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk

**Summary:** On 08 February 2007, at approximately 1200 hours, a COM PSD unit enroute to REO Kirkuk from Erbil (25 kms South of Erbil) was traveling in the south bound lane, when the well gunner in the CAT vehicle noticed a white four door Toyota parked on the North bound shoulder of the road. The Toyota made a U-turn and began heading at a high rate of speed in the same direction of the motorcade.

The Toyota began passing other vehicles and once within approximately \_\_\_\_ meters of the CAT vehicle, the well and left gunner began signaling the Toyota to slow down. At the, \_\_\_\_\_ point, the CAT vehicle passed a flat bed truck that slowed down however, the Toyota passed the flat bed truck as well and the CAT vehicle well and left rear gunner continued to give hand signals in plain view, signaling with the spotlight and eventually had to muzzle the vehicle. At the \_\_\_\_\_ mark 'the well gunner fired one round into the Toyota grill. The Toyota continued and swerved to pass the CAT vehicle, at which point, the left rear gunner fired one round into the grill of the Toyota. The Toyota then came to a stop on the counter flow side of the road and the driver did not appear to be injured.

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**RSO Action:** PSD ~~James~~ will complete a ROI.

**Location:** Approximately 25 kms South of Erbil, Iraq

**Drafted:** RSO James "Chance" Rowe, Kirkuk, Iraq

**Cleared:** RSO Randall Bennett, Baghdad, Iraq

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION



| TITLE                                        | DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER |                                               |                             |
|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| COM PSD (Kirkuk) Fires on Aggressive Vehicle | 2007 - 00                      |                                               |                             |
| TRUE NAME<br>N/A                             | CASE TYPE<br>Use of Force      |                                               |                             |
| POST<br>Kirkuk                               | DATE REPORTED<br>02-08-2007    | DATES INVESTIGATED<br>02/08/2007 - 02/08/2007 | REPORTING AGENT<br>RSO Rowe |

### SYNOPSIS

Summary: On February 7, 2007, at approximately 1200 hrs, a COM PSD, [ ] enroute from Erbil to the Kirkuk REO, fired on a vehicle after determining that the vehicle posed an immediate threat to their motorcade. This use of force was appropriate and within the parameters of DS use-of-force policy. Injuries to the lone occupant in the threat vehicle were possible, but not observed. End Summary.

The following chain of events is derived from the statements provided by the team members involved in the shooting:

1. A PSD motorcade enroute to Kirkuk from Erbil and were approximately 26 kms south of Erbil. While traveling in the south bound lane, the well gunner noticed a white four door Toyota parked on the North bound shoulder of the road. Subsequently the vehicle made a U-turn and began heading in the same direction as the motorcade. Note: a white four door Toyota had placed on the Kirkuk TOC BOLO list the previous day; suspected VBIED or SVBIED. The Toyota began passing other vehicles, catching up to the motorcade.
2. Team members escalated the use of force once the vehicle was approximately [ ] meters out from the motorcade, beginning with hand signals to slow down the Toyota. At the [ ] meter mark, the motorcade passed a truck as well as the Toyota and the team members used the spotlight and muzzled their weapons. At the [ ] meter mark, [ ] fired one round into the grill of the vehicle. The vehicle did not stop and the left rear gunner [ ] fired one round into the grill of the vehicle.
3. The Toyota then came to a stop on the counter flow side of the road. The occupant of the vehicle did not appear to be harmed. The motorcade continued to the Kirkuk REO. Case Closed.

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| TOTAL # PERSONNEL: 15 | KIA: None | WIA: None |
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REPORTED BY: Shift Leader b6 b7C METHOD: SIR

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On B Feb 07, at approximately 1200 hrs, I was en route back to the REO, Kirkuk from US AID, Eibil. The motorcade consisted of 4 vehicles, with a total of 4 principals. As the motorcade approached, the CAT vehicle well gunner observed a white sedan execute a U-turn and accelerate towards the motorcade. The vehicle closed the distance from the rear of the CAT vehicle at a high rate of speed to approximately 150 meters. The well gunner started flashing his spot light through the open rear hatch to gain the attention of the driver which closed to a distance of approximately 50 meters. At that time the CAT vehicle passed a flatbed truck and signaled the driver with the spotlight to slow down. As the flatbed slowed the white sedan also passed the flatbed truck and closed the distance to about 10 meters. The well gunner informed the left rear of the situation. The left rear opened his door and attempted to utilized hand and arm signals. The left rear identified the vehicle as matching the description of a BOLO vehicle previously briefed by intelligence. The white sedan continued to close distance at an accelerated rate to approximately 5 meters. The left rear muzzled his weapon towards the white sedan and heard the well gunner yell 'He's not stopping..'. The well gunner then fired, poi

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I, [redacted] ^ hereby make the following statement voluntarily to  
ARSO Pat DePalm(r), who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the  
U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service.

On 2/08/07 at approximately 1200pm, I [redacted] w a s the vehicle commander of the CAT vehicle returning to Kirkuk from Erbil. When the well gunner [redacted] called out that we had a fast mover approaching us. At that time the left gunner [redacted] ^ said mDppiogJie door at which he opened his door and stepped out on the running board. The Driver [redacted] "flowed down slightly to steady the vehicle. I looked in the right side mirror and saw a white vehicle coming at us at a fast pace! [redacted] hen stated "he's not stopping" and I heard a shot fired. I was still watching in the mirror and the vehicle swerved to the left as to go around us and I heard another shot. Then someone called out were good antf [redacted] snfifirferl i in to r ai mht thg rest nf thp motorcycle. I called the Team Leader, P''' [redacted] and told him we had two shots fired at a fast moving vehicle that would not yield. After a pause he ask if we were up and responded that we were caught up.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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I, I [redacted] <sup>W4</sup> <sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement voluntarily to [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service.

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IF ^ Jwasdrjyjng the q A j f or teami^on 8 February 2007. On the way back from EnW. 'One of the gunners called out fast mover. I could hear the switch on the spotlight being clicked at a rapid pase. During that time my left rear gunner called out poping door. At that time I stabalized the vehicle and maintained a constant speed. I heard 2 shots fired then a gunner called out we are good. At that time I increased speed and caught up with the motorcade. Nothing Follows.

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I, [redacted] b6 b7c hereby make the following statement voluntarily to [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service.

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On 2-8-2007 at approx 12:00 near^ J returning to the REO from ERBIL USAID.

I ^ h q s located in the Cat Vehicle left rear position. As we came upon a slow fee, moving greet' truck in the roadway we passed the green truck. On our rear at approx. 100 meters was a white vehicle. After passing . we began to speed up to the convoy. I was watching the left side at 9:00 when The well\_\_\_\_\_ yelled fast mover on our six . I looked back to see a white toyota passing a white toyota directly on our rear at approx£3H<sup>meters-1</sup> verbilized Cracking Left to left the other Cat occupants know I was cracking the door.

As I did this I could Hear the Well\* "clicking the large spotlight on and off. I stepped out on the running board and with my right hand .fingers together pointed up began raising my arm and hand up and yelling kiev and stop. The white toyota matched one of the bolos from the previous nights intel meeting.

The vehicle closed at an excellerated rate to within^ meters, I myzzled the vehicle with my weapon. The well! \_\_\_\_\_ Jyelled hes not stopping. I heard' \_\_\_\_\_ire one round into the vehicle.

The vehicle then swerved to the left to pass us I fired one round into the hood of the vehicle. The vehicle then began to stop quickly continuing to the counterflow side of the road^ , vehicle came to stop on the opposte side of the road. I yelled escellation of force. The T/C<sub>i</sub> ^called out shots fired to the S<sub>i</sub>f. ^

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I [redacted] positioned in the well of the CAT vehicle had noticed a white toyota 4 door vehicle on the noHK'tound shoulder of the road. We were traveling south bound towards Kirkuk when I had noticed this vehicle make a u-turn in our direction. The white toyota had picked up speed and had came into our [redacted] meter bubble. I had then started flashing the spot light to get his attention to slow down and back off. The white toyota did not yelled to my warning and kept persuing our convoy. The toyota had reached \_T3)meters and kept approaching as I was still signalling him we had passed a flat bed truck and started to slow. I had signalled the flat bed with the light and he had backed off. I seen the white toyota at that time pass agressivly around the truck at that point he was at about f^ meters. I had yelled to the door gunne[r]\* [redacted] Janci popped his door with both of us signalling the driver, he approached to? meters wfffffllffl fired one round into his grill. The driver of the white toyota had swerved as to pass us. [redacted] had taken the second shot into the grill the vehicle halted and all was clear at that time. The grid was as follows

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continued on with our mission. I was not aware ofthe Escalation^ of Force incident which occurred.  
I waTmade aware of the incident when we arrived back at the REO and we de-bnefed the mission.  
believe the mis^communication was due to either the distance between vehicles, terrain or I was  
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# BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



U.S. Embassy Baghdad

February 9, 2007



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Spot Report 020907-01

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**Subject:** REO Basrah Security Fires On Suspicious Boat.

**Reporting Office:** RSO Basrah

**Summary:** On 02/09/07, at 0740 hrs, two boats (two males in one boat, one male in another) were headed North West up the Shatt-Al-Arab River. The two boats (15 foot single engine) were approaching the Basrah Palace Perimeter along the river; a pen flare was fired to warn the boats away from the perimeter. Upon firing the pen flare neither boat turned away. The boats continued approaching the position. One short warning burst off \_\_\_\_\_ fire was directed in between the two boats. The boat with two occupants changed course and moved away from the Basrah Palace perimeter. The boat with one male occupant proceeded to travel towards the Palace along the river where our security post is located. Security personnel fired another flare as the boat came within' \_\_\_\_\_ meters of our shore. REO security personnel fired a short burst from the' \_\_\_\_\_ Jin an attempt to further warn the boat away. REO security gave verbal and non-verbal signals for the boat to move away. As the individual in the boat waved for the second boat to come to his location, REO security fired a second small burst of warning fire. Finally, REO security fired a 3-4 round burst into the middle of the boat away from the individual piloting the boat. The boat did not turn and still proceeded toward us. ThQ T50&4th\*2\$ sustained the rounds turned away quickly after reiinde impeded the bo'af and p'Y6ce^leiINorth West up the river. There were no injuries to the occupants on the boat or serious damage.

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**RSO Action:** RSO investigated the incident, received written reports from those involved. British and Romanian forces were notified of the incident. RSO assessment is that it could have been a probe of the Basrah Palace shore line perimeter. Normally, all boat traffic in the area continues their flow up and down the river without heading towards our positions. The actions of this boat and crew were unusual, as was the response to verbal, non-verbal, pen flares and warning rounds were left unheeded.

Drafted by: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah

Approved by: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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# INCIDENT REPORT

This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting

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Date of Report: 09 Feb 07 00:00:00:00

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Task Order: 007

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Bated Incident: 09 Feb 07

Time of IncMeat: Approx: 0755

Contractor Involved: Triple Canopy

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U.S. Embassy Compound, Basrah, Iraq

Incident Synopsis: On 9 February W&J, I was on duty at the J&vers^tch;pposition. At approximately 0755 hours, two boats approached the River Watch position at the UN Building. The boats were imvelj^g side and headed up river. As the boats approach our position it a^jeared ffiai they would pass by closer than normal boat traffic; The boat furthest away, had two people and the one nearest, had one person in it. As the boats got closer they didn't veer away. Most boats stay on the far shore or veer away as they approach the known positions. When the boat got to close I fired a pen flare as a warning. Neither boat changed their course I started piping another pen flare. The boats speed and direction didn't allow them to get another. The boat closest to our position had come to within' j when I told \_\_\_\_\_, to fire a warning burst from the j. The boat was so close that" , had to lift the weapon from the supported position, to his shoulder in order to get a downward angle over the balcony of our position. Hip rounds impacted between the two boats. The further boat with two people immediately veered away toward the far side of the river. The boat closest with, one person in it continued on its course bringing it closer to our northern position, where I moved with the now propped pen flare. As the boat continued to approach I fired the pen flare in the vicinity of the boat. The boat ignored the flare once again. I got behind the 1 but because of the close proximity of the boat, I could not use it from the supported position. I brought the weapon to my shoulder and took aim. I had to aim below the guard rail of the balcony and between the Stanchions's to jSrö. I fired a short burst on the far side of the boat. As I waited and evaluated the effects of the first burst, the boat driver stood up and started motioning for the other boat to come in. I fired a second burst on the near side of the boat. I waited and evaluated again; the driver was still motioning for second boat to come in. I fired a third burst through the center of the boat and waited. The boat driver immediately sat down turned away and sped off to join up with the second boat. I told/ to contact the EOB via .

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radio and inform them of the incident. After several tries I also tried to inform the EOB via radio, it seemed they were not receiving our transmissions well. I stopped trying to contact them and started writing the incidents in the log.

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Personcel Notified of incident- TOCatEOB

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**BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY****D E C L A R E D U N C L A S S I F I E D****U.S. Embassy - Baghdad**

15 February 2007

**Spot Report - 021507-02****Subject:** COM TST Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 15 February 2007 at approximately 1042 hrs, a \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle COM PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) convoy en-route to their support area encountered an aggressive green four-door sedan with two military age males (MAM). The TST was merging from a 3-lane to a 4-lane road with lights and sirens. All vehicles on the road yielded to the TST except for the green sedan. The sedan rapidly went around the stopped cars and towards the TST. The TST lead vehicle gunner fired a pen flare when the sedan was at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ meters from the convoy. The sedan continued its aggressive approach towards the TST and at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ Jmeters; the turret gunner of the TST's second vehicle fired one \_\_\_\_\_ J round into the sedan's grill. The sedan then came to a complete stop. The MAMs did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

Drafted By: Roque Safes Watch Officer EjagfidaSj Mgq; \*;

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## **INCIDENT REPORT**

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## **Task Order: 6**

**Person Releasing Report:** Kevin A. Smalling

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander

**Date of Incident:** 15 Feb 07

**Time of Incident:** 1044

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** In vicinity of FOB Independence

## **Personnel Involved: i**

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**Incident Synopsis:** On 15 February 2007 at 1044, \\_\_\_\_\_ 1 a Tactical Support Team comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles was in route to the IZ after supporting ^\_\_\_\_\_. While traveling south on route \\_\_\_\_\_ in the vicinity of FOB Independence, an aggressive vehicle tried to enter the motorcade after not yielding to hand and arm signals to stop, resulting in a weapons discharge (1 round) to the grill of the vehicle. I\_\_\_\_\_ continued on to the IZ staging area without further incident. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N / A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.



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| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                    |

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\_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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After I completed the ^omicie TT was deployed to the Baghdad, Iraq theatre and assigned to the Tactical Support Team (TST). Since joining the TST, I have trained many hours with my team and we are briefed before each mission on the proper use of force and proper escalation of force. Additionally, we are briefed each morning from our Intel staff of all "known" threats in the area ranging from the make/model/color of possible VBIED's to potential attack areas.

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## INCIDENT

On 15 February 2007 at approximately 0600 hours, the 3rd Battalion, 3rd Marine Regiment received a mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information from the night before and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearm Policy and Escalation of Force. The routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Tactical Commander.

At approximately 1042hrs, ^ J was traveling in support of with our vehicle motorcade. I was assigned as the turret PSS for the ERV > vehicle in the motorcade) for j We had our emergency lights and sirens activated to alert oncoming traffic to our movement. Additionally, all of our vehicles have stenciled signs in English and Arabic stating "Warning. Stay back 100 meters."

In the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_, the \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade was merging onto the highway. As the lead vehicle entered the highway, all oncoming traffic had obeyed the lights & sirens, warning signs, and visual and verbal signals from the lead turret PSS', except for one vehicle. A green in color sedan swerved around all stopped vehicles and accelerated towards the!\_\_\_\_\_j motorcade. The rear turret PSS of the lead vehicle again issued visual and verbal commands, "Kiff" for the vehicle to stop; the vehicle's driver did not comply. The rear turret PSS then fired one pen flare that struck the vehicle's windshield&The green sedan occupied by two military aged males continued to accelerate towards the!\_\_\_\_\_jmotorcade. As the threat vehicle entered my sector of responsibility, I issued verbal, "Kiff" and visual commands for the driver to stop. The driver made direct, eye to eye contact with me and continued to attempt to merge into the motorcade. I then presented my weapon which the driver also ignored. Being in fear for my life and the lives of my team mates, I then fired one shot from my U.S. Department of State issued striking the grill of the threat. The vehicle came to an immediate and controlled stop. The occupants appeared to be uninjured.

I \_\_\_\_\_ then continued on mission in support of[\_\_\_\_\_ without further incident. The TOC was I^f, p immediately informed of the situation via radio by my Shift Leader. ///END///

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2007.

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**SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE**

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operated \_\_\_\_\_ weapon systems. I am currently assigned as a \_\_\_\_\_  
for/\_\_\_\_\_ the Tactical Support Team, direct support to the WH\$jmp\$ion in Iraq.

#### INCIDENT

On this date (02/15/2007) at approximately 1042 hours, while merging Southbound onto the highway at^ observed a shot fired from the ERV, at the immediate and aggressive threat of a green four door passenger car occupied by two military aged males, which were attempting to merge into our motorcade between the /vehicles.

On this date, I was operating as a fire team member of \_\_\_\_\_ (Tactical Support Team), in support of the diplomatic security mission in Iraq.

At approximately 0815 hours on this date,) \_\_\_\_\_ conducted an intelligence briefing, and then loaded the trucks for our work day. During the intelligence briefing, VBIED's (vehicle borne IED's) were noted as still being a threat to coalition forces and it should also be noted that a large VBIED incident had occurred within the past 48 hours in a populated Baghdad market place. I was riding in the Command vehicle^! in the motorcade configuration of ~ /vehicles). Following the intelligence briefing, we were then addressed by our Shift Leader and given the mission brief, which included rules of engagement per the mission firearms policy, escalation of force, team movements and routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked.

At approximately 1000 hours! \_\_\_\_\_ exited Check Point[ ] in support of PSD teams operating in Baghdad. I \_\_\_\_\_ exited the checkpoint and then traveled Northbound to the area of \_\_\_\_ awaiting r \_\_\_\_\_ /arrival on venue. Once they arrived \_\_\_\_\_ conducted a tire change in the area of' " /and then began traveling back to the area of Check Point'^ As our motorcade began to merge onto the highway atf \_\_\_\_\_ /at approximately 1042 hours, I heard a loud "popping" noise, which appeared to come from our lead vehicle. Just then, I looked out the left side of our vehicle in the motorcade) and observed a green four door sedan, occupied by two military aged males. The sedan was traveling parallel to us in the center lane, passing vehicles which had already yielded to our motorcade. The lights and sirens were activated on our vehicles and all vehicles were stenciled in English and Arabic with the words "Warning, Stay back 100 meters." At that time I felt that the lives of my teammates were in immediate danger. The green sedan appeared to be attempting to merge in front of our vehicle in the motorcade. I then heard what sounded like a single rifle shot, almost immediately followed by the vehicle commander in the ERV announcing over the radio that a single shot had been fired to disable the green sedan. At that time I observed the sedan come to an abrupt stop in the center lane of travel. I did not observe either occupant of the sedan to appear injured as we passed their location and continued toward the International Zone. I \_\_\_\_\_ then continued on mission without further incident. //END//

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is true to the best of my knowledge.

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

February 18, 2007

**SPOT REPORT 021807-01****SUBJECT:** SAF Attack on a COM PSD.**REPORTING OFFICE:** U.S. Embassy Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 18 February 2007 at approximately 1109 hours, a RSO PSD team arrived with no principals at the Adamiyah Court House for a scheduled Technical Support Survey (TSS). At 1135 hours, the COM PSD team reported receiving direct small arms fire (SAF) from the North of their venue. At 1138 hours, one RSO Tactical Support Team (TST) responded to the Adamiyah Court House building in support of the Team in contact.

The " ~ had initially observed two (2) military aged males (MAM) on a moped driving down an alleyway northwest of his location. The , observed one MAM armed with a rifle. One MAM riding on the rear of the moped took one (1) shot at the lead vehicle. The ^ returned fire and observed the assailant go down ' then noticed two (2) MAM's moving towards the Tactical Support Team's location. One (1) MAM was armed with an AK; the other had an object hidden in his hands. The MAM's moved closer to the TST teams location and the second individual drew back to throw what appeared to be a grenade. The then fired one (1) round, and the assailant went down and the second individual lagged him out of the road. Purportedly, three (3) more MAMs were neutralized.

By 1150 hours, all S ^ a i e d ^ tie^o^ckie was en-route to the International Zone.

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There were no COM casualties or injuries during this incident.

**RSO ACTION:** RSO air asset was on stand-by for possible extraction support. Team members were debriefed, and written statements will be forthcoming. DS/CC notified.

DRAFTED BY: Christopher Wright, Watch Officer, Baghdad

APPROVED BY: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 18 Feb 07

Location: 1

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report:

Title of Person Releasing Report: Blackwater Operations Chief

Date of Incident: 18 Feb 07

Time of Incident: 1135

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Adhamiya Court House

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Personnel Involved: ^

### Incident Synopsis::

On 18 February 2007 at 1135 hrs/ I was conducting a Technical Site Survey (TSS) of the Adhamiya Court House located approx 500 meters to the North-West of bridge' consisting of I \* had no principal and were on venue for 30 minutes when they started receiving a low volume of small arms fire (SAF) from a rooftop and a moped, both to the north. An AIF hand grenade was thrown near the front gate of the venue but did not detonate. \ a Tactical Support Team (TST), was dispatched toll venue to aid in with their departure while! jengaged the enemy.! land'. /broke contact and departed the venue and returned to the IZ without further incident. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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SUBJECT: SMALL ARMS ATTACK ON COM PSD TEAM AT ADAMI YAH  
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1. (SBU) Summary: On February 18, 2007, unknown gunmen engaged members of a Chief of Mission Protective Security Detail at the Adamiyah Court House in north-central Baghdad. The team was performing a Technical Support Survey for future missions. Returning fire, a team marksman wounded two to three of the assailants. The team eventually returned safely to the International Zone; there were no injuries to Chief of Mission personnel. End Summary.

2. (SBU) On February 18, 2007, at 1109 hrs, a Chief of Mission (CoM) Protective Security Detail (PSD),<sup>1</sup> arrived at the Adamiyah Court House in north-central Baghdad to perform a Technical Site Survey (TSS). The Shift Leader met with the building's security manager who gave them permission to conduct the survey. At 1135 hrs, as they completed the TSS, the Tactical Commander told the Shift Leader that they had received incoming fire. Initially an unknown assailant to the northwest engaged the team members outside of the venue with one round of small arms fire. While on his way to the vehicles the Shift Leader observed at least three more shots fired against the team and at the venue. One of the drivers also reported that a grenade had been thrown in their direction, landing in the nearby intersection but not ~~xpipcfincfj. EÜ\*rtfieB»lLi5f)adtitftJ jr^ealed~~.

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that the pin was still attached to the grenade. While [ ] continued to receive sporadic sniper fire. Leader sent his } [ ] J.t.c.^: [ ]

3. (SBU) [ ] (the team, s ^ initially observed two military-aged males on a moped driving up and down an alley approximately 175-200 meters to their northwest; one man drove while the passenger in the rear carried a rifle. One I observed the armed male shoot two rounds at the PSD, s lead vehicle. The moped driver then pointed at the ^ j. and turned the vehicle around. At that time the I engaged the gunman with one shot from his Department-issued rifle and saw the round hit the man in the back. The moped immediately crashed, leading the I to believe that the round may have passed through the target and hit the driver as well.

4. (SBU) On the ground, members of [ ] continued to receive fire from the northwest. At the same time the noticed two other males moving in unison behind intermittent cover towards the team; one man had a rifle while the other had an object resembling a grenade in his hands. As the males moved closer to the team, the second individual began to throw what the ) believed to be the grenade. One J fired a round at the second man and observed him fall to the ground. The other individual with the rifle dragged his wounded comrade away.

5. (SBU) At 1150 hrs, immediately after the J shot the male with the grenade, all small arms fire ceased. J a Tactical Support Team, soon arrived to aid in withdrawal. By 1155 hrs, the dual motorcade consisting of and P was en route to the International Zone. There were no CoM casualties.

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Name: TOC

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| SCOLLAN, MICHAEL T  | ARSO       | BAGHDAD  |
| Tehan, Kevin        | ARSO       | JBGMI(A) |

Synopsis

On February 18, 2007, gunmen fired at and threw grenades at a CoM PSD team performing a Technical Security Survey at the Adamiyah Court House. Team members returned fire wounding 2-3 of the assailants. There were no CoM casualties.

Primary SubjectsCase Reports

## Date

## Snippet

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See attached cable.

Attachments

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The following interaction report reflects, in summary, the detail team relation to the events that occurred on 18 February 2007 at the Adhamiyah Courthouse.

On 18 February 2007 at 1000 hours, conducted a pre-mission brief to outline the plan for conducting a Technical Site Survey (TSS) at the Adhamiyah Court House. The brief included, but was limited to, the Department of State Rules of Engagement and enemy contact procedures.

On 021807 at approximately 1030 hours, departed the WPPS Camp in a vehicle motorcade, utilizing their route, to the Adhamiyah Courthouse for the purpose of conducting a Technical Site Survey (TSS) in order to gather venue information for future State Department missions. At approximately 1020 hours, arrived at the given grid coordinate and was informed by local nationals in the area that they were in the wrong location. The local nationals pointed to as they were in the wrong location. The local nationals pointed to approximately 60 meters southeast of their current position. In approximately 60 meters southeast of their current position. In a southeasterly direction, driving through the neighborhood and maneuvering through narrow streets, before arriving at the courthouse at approximately 1055 hours. Upon arrival, notified the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) of the correct grid coordinate of the venue. Shift Leader (SL), Point of Contact (POC), secretary of team ^ clearance to conduct the TSS? explained the purpose of the visit to, the team was given ^ u TSS? ^ immediately began conducting the TSS of the Adhanuyah Courthouse.

At approximately 1120 hours, the F" IT Tactical Commander (TC); notified the SL that the TSS was complete. At that time the TOC was notified of an early departure and personnel began to recover to the vehicles. At approximately 1133 ^ oner to return to the vehicles when the TC advised, over the internal radio, that the team was taking direct sniper fire to the venue from a northwest direction. The vehicle driver immediately notified the TOC of the enemy contact at the venue. All personnel took cover and held security positions. continued to receive sporadic small arms fire (SAF) and the rounds were impacting the front of the venue. The SL redeployed the

driven for the am of a grenade that had been tossed, ft\* unknown subject from an aim unknown location) into the intersection just northwest of the venue where two of vehicles were positioned. However, the grenade did not explode. The TC attempted to provide a situation report, via radio, to the TOC but was unsuccessful due to poor radio reception at the venue. At that time, was unable to relay or communicate with the TOC. At approximately 1140 hours, the reported they had observed two individuals (military aged males) on a scooter riding around in circles just north of the venue. One of the individuals, the passenger, was armed with a rifle and was observed taking aim and firing at perceived the individual to be an immediate and lethal threat positions, at which time with a Department of State issued

to (personnel. J who was aiming at the venue (continued to receive sporadic results. At approximately 1140 hours, made contact with the TOC SAP from the northwest U the radio, with negative

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\_\_\_\_\_ I advised ^ J ^ t they were monitoring the radio traffic and that they would relay the traffic to the TOC. \_\_\_\_\_ ised the TOC, via \_\_\_\_\_ | that \_\_\_\_\_ was on the venue with no injuries or loss of equipment but was still receiving sporadic SAF. At approximately 1141 hours, I reported two individuals (military aged males) ^ e d ^ p p r o ^ e y & ^ ^ was holding m venue. Both subjects were closing on (stalking, J « TM 0 ^ f t u toward one of object in his hand that appeared to be grenade ^ « J ^ t ^ ^ er individual was armed with positions (the same position where the first p^ade had been. top), ^ ^ ^ ^ ^ an AK-47 and was also preparing to engage! ^ the greatest threat, fall to observed the subject, who was by d n j n g him behind cover, the ground. At that point the second individual recovered the ao range and

At the time that ±\_J fired die ^ f — ^ ^ f ^ M — n o i engage the second presented an immediate and lethal threat to) team members., 3 subject.

At approximately 1146 hours £ 17 ^ L made contact with the venue. SL informed At that time the grenade had not exploded streets and the grenade lying in the middle of the intersection mm around the grenade and was being treated as Unexploded Ordnance g that that it was observed that would integrate with ml. recovered all pSSED from the venue and proceeded to JIPEls teams were integrated and returned to the WPPS Camp utilizing modified entered Check Point and subsequently returned to the WPPS Camp. approximately 1215 hours, //End//

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Sworn Statement

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On 18 February 2007 at 1000 hours I attended a mission brief conducted by my shift leader, \_\_\_\_\_ j outlining the plan for conducting a Technical Site Survey (TSS) at the Adhamiyah Court House. The brief included the Department of State Rules of Engagement and enemy contact procedures. After the briefing we departed the WPPS Camp for venue and arrived on venue after having to search for the venue—and a route to the drop site.

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After completing the Technical Site Survey (TSS) at grid 1 we began receiving small arms fire from the northeast. We moved

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V and immediately heard rounds as we arrived ^irVe maneuvered to a good location to cover our teammates on the ground, we heard rounds impact in the area be^ow us. At that time I was armed with a Department of State issued, \_\_\_\_\_ weapon system. I maneuvered up to the lip on the roof to look down the road that ran to the northwest. I immediately noticed that two individuals (both non-uniformed military age males) on a moped that had been called out three times by personnel on the ground. I observed the moped approximately 175 to 200 meters down the road. The man on the back of the moped had a rifle that was aimed in the direction of our position. I put my \_\_\_\_\_ on him and noticed the man fire one to two rounds in the direction of the venue. At the same time, the driver appeared to point to us and turned the moped around. At this time I engaged the man on the back with the weapon with one round and patched the moped tilt to the left and both personnel on it go down with the moped. I assessed that both personnel were down and notified .

r , to notify the Shift Leader (SL) \_\_\_\_\_. I then told the other \_\_\_\_\_ to cover that sector as we displaced and moved to the west side of the building to cover the men on the ground.

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and j moved to the southwest corner \_\_\_\_\_ to access the situation. We heard rounds impacting and weapon reports around our position. I then moved forward to the northwest corner and again heard a round go overhead. I asked' \_j if he could tell where it came from and he said it appeared to come from the north. I then popped my rifle up and scanned the area for any aggressive individuals. I noticed two males, moving south on the main road. They appeared to be moving from cover tq..pgYfr.. Th second subject, appeared to have an AK47 and the lead person: tiad.frbkt .SpP^req. t\$<|>e grerade iji Jis hand. I

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noticed that they were moving in the direction of our Counter Assault Team (CAT) vehicle, which was posted in the intersection where the first grenade was thrown. As the front man raised his arm to throw the grenade towards the CAT, I engaged him with one round. The subject fell to the ground. His partner immediately dragged him into an alleyway out of view. I notified \_\_\_\_\_ and we continued to scan the sector for any more threats. After the last engagement, we no longer received any small arms fire to the venue. Once TST arrived, our shift leader called us off of the roof and after recovering we pulled out with no further incident.

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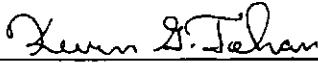
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| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE |                                                                                   |

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>18 February 2007      | Time<br>1600 Hrs approx |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad |                         |

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hereby make the following statement at the request of

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KEVIN G. TEUVEL, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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furtherance of an official administrate performance of official duties and the may be if I refuse to provide this Worldwide Personnel Protectee Services. <sup>c. Pr. Ahar Ander Ward</sup> statement or fail to do so fully any information or evidence gained by reason of my itetemenoc criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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the venue to provide ^ ^ h ^ bu ^ w ^ distil ^ c ^ d X impact on metal,  
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leader and gave a short situation report on the threat that ^  
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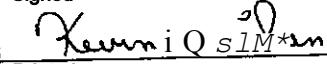
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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

19 February 2007

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Spot Report-021907-01

Subject: COM TST Team Fires on Three Aggressive Vehicles

Reporting Office: RSO TOC - Baghdad

Summary: On 19 February 2007 at approximately 0921, 0956 and 1259 hrs, a V-"Vehicle COM PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) convoy while in support of the primary COM PSD team encountered three aggressive vehicles and used escalation of force (EOF) to disable them. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no COM principals involved in these incidents. All signals and warnings were used as time permitted. The EOF was by the same TST.

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**0921.** A white sedan with one military age male (MAM) occupant was noticeably parked on the left side of the road as the TST convoy passed by with lights and sirens blaring. The white sedan abruptly sped from its stopped position towards a newly opened gap between the lead vehicle of the TST convoy. The rear gunner of the lead vehicle fired one round at the grill of the fast approaching sedan at approximately ^ meters. There was no time for other methods of warning. The sedan came to a complete stop and the MAM did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident.

**0956.** The Iraqi police ihaA stopped mcst-yel^e-ipn the road yielded to the TST convoy after it had fired a pen flare and its lights and sirens were blaring. Disregarding all warnings, a grey four-door hatchback

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vehicles. The lead gunner of the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle fired two \_Jrounds at the  
grill of the sedan at approximately j^ meters. There was no time for other  
methods of warning. The sedan came to a complete stop and the MAM did  
not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without  
further incident.

**1259.** The TST was merging into a highway with its lights and sirens blaring when the rear gunner of the lead vehicle noticed a grey sedan with two MAM occupants approaching from an access lane at about their 8 o'clock. The grey sedan was aggressively weaving through stopped traffic^ at a high rate of speed and headed towards the convoy. At approximately),,, meters the rear gunner fired two r~^ rounds into the grill and 10 more rounds into the passenger compartment. The lead gunner and rear gunner of the ^ vehicle witnessed the same sedan speeding towards the convoy and the lead gunner fired a pen flare that bounced off the sedan at approximate!^ meters. The sedan continued its aggressive approach and at approximately ^ meters the lead gunner fired JQ rounds into the passenger side of the sedan and at approximately!\_\_ meters the rear gunner fired six rounds into the passenger compartment. The TST witnessed the passenger get out of the sedan to assess the damage. The driver's disposition was unknown. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident.

**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

Drafted By: Roque Salas, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq

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Date of Report: 19 Feb 07 .

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kurt Scheuermann

Title of Person Releasing Report: Blackwater Operations Chief

Date of Incident: 19 Feb 07

Time of Incident: 0921

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_ ^intersection Rte \_\_\_\_\_ IRte \_\_\_\_\_ )

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_

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Incident Synopsis: .

On 19 February 2007 at 0921 hrs \_\_\_\_\_, a Tactical Support Team, were moving South-bound through the intersection of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. As they cleared the intersection a small white sedan occupied by one Military aged male (MAM) pulled away from the curb aggressively, in the same direction, bgtween the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ TST vehicle. The rear gunner in the lead TST vehicle shot one \_\_\_\_\_, round<sup>1</sup> "into the grill of the car and it immediately stopped. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, B W SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

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**INCIDENT REPORT**

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**Date of Report:** 19 Feb 07 | ^ P

**Location:** [redacted]

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Kurt Scheuermann

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RTOC Operations Chief

**Date of Incident:** 19 Feb 07

**Time of Incident:** 0956

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** [redacted] (Intersection RTE [redacted])

**Personnel Involved:** [redacted]

**Incident Synopsis:** On 19 February 2007 at 0956 hours, a Tactical Support Team, were moving through the intersection of routes [redacted] and [redacted] when a vehicle, grey hatch back, occupied by a single Military aged male (MAM) failed to yield to audible and hand signals to stop. The all other traffic was stopped as the vehicle attempted to cross between the [redacted] and L\_HITS T vehicle from the right. The lead gunner in the [redacted] vehicle fired three [redacted] rounds [redacted] into the grill of the vehicle and it stopped. The TST were able to clear the intersection without further incident and continue their mission. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

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**Date of Report:** 19 Feb 07

**Location:** Entrance to F.O.B Independence (Grid withheld)

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Kurt Scheuermann

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Blackwater Operations Chief

**Date of Incident:** 19 Feb 07

**Time of Incident:** 1259

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** F.O.B. Independence

**Personnel Involved:** ^\_\_\_\_\_

**Incident Synopsis:** .

On 19 February 2007 at 1259 hrs, a Tactical Support Team, were leaving FOB Independence in support of \_\_\_\_\_ who was returning to the IZ from a venue in the northern part of Baghdad. As the convoy exited the F.O.B and turned south onto the Military Service Route (MSR), a grey vehicle occupied by two military aged males approached the vehicle formation at a high rate of speed. The vehicle had to weave in and out of stopped traffic to approach the convoy. An up-gunner in the \_\_\_ >TST vehicle launched a pen-flare hitting the car as the rear gunner in the lead TST fired two rounds into the grill with his) The vehicle continued approaching at a high rate of speed and was within \_\_\_\_\_ meters as the up-gunners (3) in the JTST trucks fired into the passenger compartment, all using their

, The vehicle stopped, the passenger got out of the car and ran away. \_\_\_\_\_ j continued on their support mission without further incident, there were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM vehicles.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** Unknown

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

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Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

**Categories:**

- CRIME/ INCIDENT

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-00614

**Optional Case Info**

Impact:

Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

**Countries Impacted:**

- IRAQ

**Violations:**

- OTHER

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

**Case Origin/Source**

Source Organization: RSO TOC

Name: TOC

Phone:

Source Comments:

**Personnel Assignment**Carpenter, Theodore DUTY AGENT BAGHDAD  
SCOLLAN, MICHAEL T ARSO BAGHDAD**Synopsis**

On February 19, 2007, a CoM Tactical Support Team (TST), engaged two aggressively-driven vehicles in separate incidents while performing supporting other PSD teams in the Red Zone. No CoM personnel were injured in either incident.

**Case Reports****Date****Snippet**

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| Interview Notes            | Adobe PDF | 725 kB   |
| Second Incident Statements | Adobe PDF | 6,583 kB |
| Spot Report                | MS Word   | 271 kB   |

**Related Cases**

RS-2007-00425: RSO USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS

Comment: On February 19, 2007, ...

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| ADMINISTRATIVE        | REGIONAL SECURITY         | 19-FEB-07 - 21-FEB-07        |                    |
| <u>Case Impact</u>    | <u>Case Status</u>        | <u>Open/Close Case Dates</u> |                    |
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At approximately 0920 hrs, I 3 S T, was in sufficient mission to transport principals to the Kharq Juvenile Prison. The motorcade was composed of vehicles. At the time of the incident, was traveling southwest towards had its lights and sirens on to warn oncoming traffic of its presence. The vehicles also had warnings in English and Arabic stenciled on them.

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The driver did not appear to be injured.

F d M , this initial incident, the team, continued\*«, its mission of supporting PSD teams in the Red Zone. No CoM personnel were injured during this incident.

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About a half an hour later, J was in support of the motorcade prepared to make a left turn. The Lead's front turret gunner fired a grenade into the - n ^ t o n to warn tajPolu» de ^ A motorcade's approach. The IP immediately stopped behind three lengths of traffic. Once intersection, the front gunner noticed a grey four-door ^h, cle maneuve p k ^ A hand and arm it cleared the stopped traffic, the vehicle continued towards ^ h m ^ a way was Approximately p e t e r s from S to stop the vehicle, but the driver ignored the fired two rounds from his rifle into the grill of the oncoming vehicle] U t the grey car to an immediate stop and raised his hands in the air.

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>hen completed its transit through the intersection. There were no injuries to CoM personnel.

In both instances the members of \_\_\_\_\_ acted in accordance with standard procedures for the escalation of force

Reporting Official:

Tehan, Kevin

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Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

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| SCOLLAN, MICHAEL T  | ARSO       | BAGHDAD |
| Tehan, Kevin        | ARSO       | BAGHDAD |

**Synopsis**

On February 19, 2007, a CoM Tactical Support Team engaged an aggressive vehicle. The team members shot to disable the oncoming vehicle, but when it continued toward them, they shot into the driver's side of the passenger compartment. One passenger ran from the scene, but it is likely that the driver suffered life-threatening injuries. This incident is separate from two earlier ones by the team on the same day.

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On February 19, 2007, a CoM Tactical Support Team, [REDACTED] engaged an aggressively-driven chicle while in the Red Zone in Baghdad. Members of the team fired approximately 30 rounds of Ammunition onto the suspicious vehicle before, neutralizing the threat. One of the vehicle's occupants fled the scene under his own power. Although members of [REDACTED] were involved in two separate escalation of force incidents earlier that day, the members of the team involved in this incident were different individuals; the Detail Leader had previously switched out the team members from the morning shootings in order for them to provide statements.

[REDACTED] was part of a motorcade comprised of [REDACTED]. Prior to the engagement, [REDACTED] was staged at FOB Independence. [REDACTED] was of another CoM PSD team, [REDACTED]. Once [REDACTED] passed [REDACTED], approximately 500 meters to the south, [REDACTED] exited FOB Independence heading south. [REDACTED] was to follow in the rear of the motorcade. At approximately 1300 hrs, [REDACTED] exited FOB Independence heading south, [REDACTED] me vehicles used their lights and siren packages, in addition to carrying large warning signs in both English and Arabic on the rears of the chicles. Furthermore, the Lead's front-turret gunner gave verbal and hand and arm signals to control traffic. At the time of the incident, the motorcade was in the process of merging onto Route [REDACTED] from the right into traffic in the vicinity of [REDACTED]. Several vehicles complied with the signals given by the Lead's front turret gunner. Further Iraq chicles remained [REDACTED] approximately 75 meters behind the motorcade, the Lead continued forward, entering the highway, with the [REDACTED] meters to its rear.

The [REDACTED] front turret gunner, [REDACTED] then noticed a grey, small-sized sedan 100 meters to the north approaching. The lead [REDACTED] The driver and passenger were both military-aged males. The car trailed towards the motorcade at a high rate of speed around stopped traffic. While it accelerated past the stopped vehicles, the front [REDACTED] raised his weapon and [REDACTED] gave hand and arm and verbal signals for it to stop. As the Lead's rear turret gunner [REDACTED] raised his weapon [REDACTED] in a warning to the oncoming driver, the front [REDACTED] turret gunner, [REDACTED] fired a pen flare at the sedan, sinking the A-pillar windshield. Despite the pen flare and previous verbal and physical warnings, the sedan continued towards the motorcade.

Based upon the totality of the circumstances, the members of the team feared that the sedan was a Vehicle-Borne Improvised Explosive Device. When the sedan came within [REDACTED] meters of the team (depending on the team member's statement) the Lead's rear turret gunner, [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] front turret gunner, [REDACTED] opened fire at the vehicle, aiming for the engine. [REDACTED] fired "a quick burst" into the engine of the vehicle. [REDACTED] simultaneously fired a "three round burst" from his rifle into the sedan's grill. When the vehicle continued toward them even after the disabling shots, [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] rear turret gunner [REDACTED] transitioned from vehicle disabling shots to lethal force shots into the sedan's passenger compartment. Claims to have fired approximately 10 more rounds into the passenger compartment, [REDACTED] states that he also fired approximately 10 more rounds into the driver's side of the passenger compartment in an attempt to stop the vehicle. [REDACTED] having seen the lack of response to the previous shots to the grill, began firing at the passenger compartment; he fired approximately six rounds at the driver.

When the vehicle came to rest in the middle of the road approximately 25-30 meters from the [REDACTED] the aforementioned [REDACTED] turret gunners ceased firing. The sedan showed evidence of numerous bullet impacts to the grill and windshield [REDACTED]

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[redacted] continued on to the International Zone without further incident, mere were no injuries to CoM personnel.

In total three team members shot at the vehicle during this incident. They fired approximately 5-6 rounds into the grill of the oncoming sedan, before transitioning to the passenger compartment where they fired another 26 rounds. An issue to note is the fact that at least two of the team members claim to have shot "bursts" at the sedan. This unusual sequence of events in almost all "shoot to disable" scenarios initially fire semiautomatic shots into the engine compartment of the oncoming driver after earlier measures have failed. Firing on "burst" also contributed to the large volume of rounds used in the shooting.

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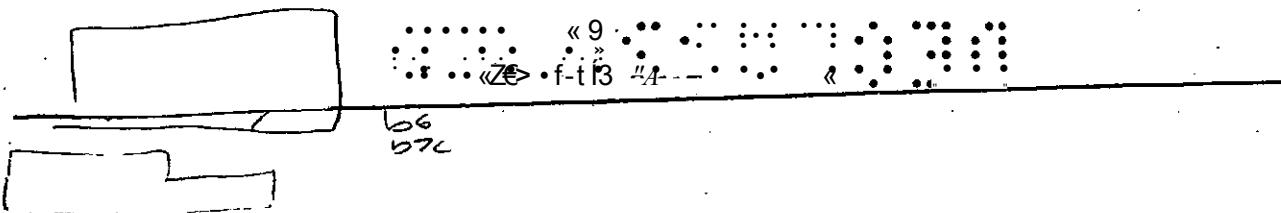
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At the time of the incident, jchift Lead advised the RSOTOC of the shoot to disable incident. The TOC was also advised of the vehicle's description, disposition, and that injuries were not sustained. Simultaneously, Shift Leader also advised his immediate chain of command, d of the incident md its details. //END//

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I, [redacted] hereby make the following statement at the request of

KEVIN G. TEHAN

, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military and Civilian Experience

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I am currently working for Backwater Security in Iraq as part of the Department of State WPPS program. Prior to deploying to Iraq, I attended the Blackwater DSS WPPS II training course where I received training in all aspects of protective security operations in a high threat environment. This training includ&dj

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I~ I am currently assigned to the "Tactical Support Team. During this time, I have served as a fire team member and I'm currently assigned to the turret. I have conducted numerous missions in support of PSD teams.

## Incident

On 02-19-2007, I was assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ Z and was working the rear turret position in the Emergency Response Vehicle, which was a Saxon and the^ \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle in our \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle motorcade.

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At approximately 0700 hours on February 19, 2007, I attended a pre-mission brief which was given by the! \_\_\_\_\_ ^Shift Leader,! \_\_\_\_\_ The brief included, but was not limited to, the rules of engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken and intelligence pertinent to our area of operations for the day.

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f \_\_\_\_\_ )was in direct support of H Z \* w a s leaving their venue, Kharq prison, returning to International Zone.j f c l e p a r t e d t h e i r \_\_\_\_\_ venue and took their'\_\_\_\_\_, route back. This route took them o n t o r ' l ^ \_\_\_\_\_ i At this t ' ^ e J . . . . . was staged at FOB Independence. My Tactical Commander advised us that when) \_\_\_\_\_ /reached \_\_\_\_\_; we would leave in direct support of them. As we departed at approximately 1300 hours from FOB Independence, merging into the southbound traffic, I observed the traffic stopping from the north Our lights and sirens were activated to let all vehicles in the area know that we were coming. Additionally, all of our vehicles were stenciled with the words "Warning, stay back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic. As our vehicle approached the highway, all of the traffic had stopped except for a grey in color sedan which was approaching at a high rate of speed. While using verbal and physical signals to get the car to stop, I observed a pen flare launch in the direction of the grey sedan,j observed the flare strike the front windshield of the suspect's vehicle from approximatelyZjmeters from our vehicle. At this time, the suspect vehicle did not stop and continued its high rate of speed towards our motorcade. As I presented my weapon, shots were already being fired from other turret PSS personnel in our motorcade. The rounds struck the vehicle in the front grille area. The suspect, vehicle continued towards our motorcade. Fearing for my life and the lives of my teammates, I fired approximately 6 rounds into the cab of the suspect vehicle. The vehicle came to a stop approximately 25 meters to the rear of our!

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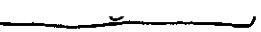
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1 "I vehicle in our motorcade configuration, as we proceeded south in support of mission I also observed, while driving away from the incident, one suspect jexit the passenger side of the vehicle and run to the east side of the highway. I reported to my Truck Commander (TC) via internal communications that I had firedto\_ disabje and that I wasn't injured. I heard my TC relaying the information to the Shift Leader.\_\_\_\_\_ continued on to the International Zone without further incident.//END///

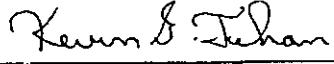
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DECLARATION

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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I, KEAIIKA Gr. Techan, hereby make the following statement at the request of KEAIIKA Gr. Techan, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military and Civilian Experienceb6  
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ia \_\_\_\_\_, I was hired by Blackwater USA and attended WPPS training, which included additional fire arms training.

We were also trained in \_\_\_\_\_ that covered target identification under stressful situations. After attending WPPS training I was deployed to Baghdad, Iraq and have been working with the Tactical Support Team since my arrival.

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## Incident

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On 02-19-2007, I was assigned to [REDACTED], in the fire team position of the lead vehicle. The lead vehicle was a Mamba.

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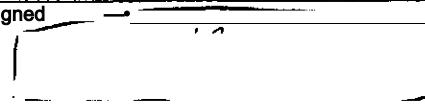


At approximately 1130 hours on February 19, 2007, I was given a pre-mission brief by the P~ [REDACTED] Shift Leader, [REDACTED]. The briefing included, but was not limited to, the rules of engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken, and intelligence pertinent to our area of operations for the day. I was asked to assist [REDACTED] ^ f b r the remainder of the day due to personnel shortages.

"~"I was indirect support of [REDACTED] jwas leaving their venue, Kharq prison, returning to [REDACTED] departed their venue and took their Jroute back. This route took them through L At this time, I [REDACTED] I was staged at FOB Independence. My Tactical Commander advised us that when { [REDACTED] preached [REDACTED] we would leave in support of them. As we departed at approximately 1300 hours from FOB Independence, I observed the lead vehicle turret PSS signaling the on coming traffic to yield. The lights and sirens of our vehicles were activated to let all traffic in the area be aware of our approach. Additionally, all of our vehicles were stenciled with the words, "Warning, stay back 100 meters". The local traffic was coming from the south of [REDACTED] While scanning my sector, I observed numerous vehicles obeying the commands and stopping their movement. At approximately 100 meters away from the stopped vehicles, I observed a grey vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed. I then saw that a pen flare struck the windshield of the suspect vehicle.. The vehicle traveled between a bus and two other cars. At that time the rear turret PSS of the Lead vehicle in our motorcade shot the suspect vehicle in the grille. The suspect vehicle was approximately , J m e t e r s f r o m a t & & P o i n t - T h e vehicle showed no intent to slow its advance. Subsequently, it received shots to the windshield from both the rear turret PSS of the lead vehicle in our motorcade and the \_jturret PSS. I observed all of this as a member of the fire team, riding in the back of the lead vehicle which I was in at the time of the incident.

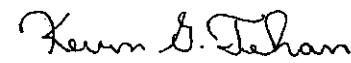
No injuries or damage were sustained from" [REDACTED] personnel or vehicles. Our motorcadp continued south in support of I [REDACTED] Upon completing support of [REDACTED] .we returned to the International Zone without further incident.//END//

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On 19 February, 2007 at approximately 0600hrs, ██████ conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included a detailed list of vehicles that would be operating in the red zone, venues they would be visiting, updated intelligence report for the day, the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearm Policy, escalation of force, routes, and ██████ load plan for the day.

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~~sirens~~ into the intersection as to warn the vehicles and IP's of our approach. and air horns and the vehicles are clearly marked in both English and Arabic. Caution Atax Redlane lead turret made his way into the intersection, the lead turret PSS noticed a vehicle in the opposing lane had made the turn into the intersection and immediately stopped all traffic at the intersection. As of traffic maneuvering a "U" turn as to clear the area. This was not perceived as a threat. However, a grey four door vehicle, approximately three car lengths back, made his way through the traffic as to move into the now open spot. Once the grey four door vehicle came into the open lane, the suspect vehicle then continued toward motorcade. The lead turret PSS presented the threat vehicle with verbal and visual hand signals. At this time, he was able to see the lone occupant of the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle was driving at approximately 16 mph and was driving in the center lane. The lead turret PSS fired two rounds into the engine of the suspect vehicle to stop the threat. The suspect vehicle came to a stop and the lone occupant put his hands in the air confirming that he had no intent and that he wasn't injured, then drove through the intersection and continued to drive without further incident.

At the time of the incident, \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Lead \_\_\_\_\_ advised the RSO TOC of the shoot to S S ^ h ^ f t é r j o t i f y i n g die TOC, \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Utjder^sc.advised his immediate chain of command, i \_\_\_\_\_ „DL of the incident and its details. //END//

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or proper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in any criminal proceeding except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in the disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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Included in that brief, he stressed to our team to be on the look J^'f® of bombers, and snipers in the Baghdad area. He indicated several recent V B I E D s ^ TM nrly of the routes we were to travel. The Shift Leader, \_\_\_\_\_ concluded the mtss.on brief by reading the use of force policy and the mission Fire Arms Policy.

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motorcade's left side. The vehicle accelerated in a manner bKi\*  
towards our motorcade. The suspect vehicle was approximately meters away when I observed  
the rear of the vehicle drop and the front end raise as the driver accelerated his vehicle between  
the motorcade's lead and second vehicle. All other traffic was still stopped and compliant. I  
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shot from my Department of State issued rifle, serial number into the engine of the  
suspect vehicle. The driver immediately stopped his vehicle and placed his hands in the air, and  
ceased all movement. I did not feel that further action and use of force was required. It appeared  
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relayed to the Shift Leader. The Shift Leader reported the incident. The motorcade continued our movement back to our  
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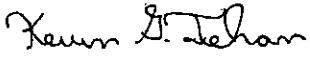
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### Incident

On 19 February 2007, I was assigned to 1<sup>st</sup> Tactical Support Team (as the Lead Turret PSS on the Lead Mamba for a movement to support "T" Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs. On the morning prior to our departure, we had received our brief of the route, intelligence, and Use of Force (Tactical Commander). That morning prior to our departure from our staging area (Izzat Zayf Sazan) (near improvised explosive devices) us against coalition forces Jd PSD (Protective Security Detail) motorcades operating in and around central Baghdad.

We departed from Checkpoint A approximately 0930 and proceeded to follow (approximately 100 meters behind) along the route. Approaching an intersection just south of the motorcade's movement, vehicles are also stenciled with, "Warning, Stay back 100 meters in both English and Arabic.

Police (IPs) were positioned in the intersection directing the flow of traffic. Approximately 100 meters from the intersection, traffic in front of our motorcade began to slow and I could see from my vantage point that there was a heavy flow of cross traffic. I fired a single pen flare warn traffic and clear the intersection. I heard a vehicle air horn and the siren. Traffic in front of us slowed and merged to the right. As we proceeded forward, all other cross traffic had been stopped by the IPs and allowed our motorcade to enter the intersection. We were going to make a left hand turn and go right. I immediately noticed a gray 4-door sedan driven by a lone Iraqi male approaching from the left, traveling 30 MPH weaving in and out of the stopped traffic. He passed all other stopped cars and continued driving directly for our vehicle. I utilized verbal and visual hand signals but the suspect continued to move toward the direction of our motorcade. In fear for my life and those of my teammates, I fired two rounds from my rifle into the grill of the suspect vehicle from approximately 10 meters away. The driver of the suspect vehicle immediately stopped and placed his hands in the air revealing that he surrendered and was not a threat. After assessing his movements and could see him shouting SOTQ in after a stopped car in front of him, notified the Shift Leader. The shoot to disable was reported to the RSO TOC by Leader. Our motorcade proceeded on to the venue without further incident. //END//

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| Date<br><br>19 February, 2007             | Time<br><br>Approx. 1500 Hours |
| Location<br><br><u>WPPS Camp, Baghdad</u> |                                |

I, [Redacted] <sup>U</sup> <sub>b7C</sub>

hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_  
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U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in any criminal proceeding except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements, they may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in any proceeding which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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## INCIDENT

On 19 February, 2007 at approximately 0955 hours, we conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included a detailed list of teams that would be operating in the red zone, venues they would be visiting, updated intelligence on P r t n f ^ gnday, Firearm Policy, escalation of force, routes, and I <sup>mc y</sup>.

At approximately 0955 hours, Monday 19 February, 2007, our motorcade was supporting traveling to the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs. I was assigned the Lead vehicle's driver position. Our motorcade approached an intersection 100 meters south of Mersiction 100 meters south of traffic. Our motorcade was approximately 100 meters from this intersection. Iraqi Police turret PSS, discharged one (1) pen Officers in the intersection noticed traffic J he sirens) air horns while

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As our motorcade entered intersection, all vehicle % had stopped as we proceeded to make a left turn. A small four door sedan men yuiou made a u-turn in order to clear the area of q u i t h r o u g h the now open lane sedan operated by one individual, accelerated and attempted to make a u-turn in color 4 door motorcade. Another vehicle a arev in color 4 door of travel towards our motorcade. A t the lead turner PSS, two (2) shots from his State Department issued! j n f l e mo Jheqr, ^ was ^ and stop it from injured as he placed his hands in the air in the I surrenaer pojmo. The vehicle came to a controlled stop approximately 30 meters ^ this time, advised the Tactical Commander of the situation ..... sw Leader. The ^ Mfader advised the RSO TOC of the incident and our motorcade continued to the venue without further incident.//END///

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| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

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## INCIDENT

On 19 February 2007 at approximately 0700 hrs, [REDACTED] conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information from the night before and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearm Policy and Escalation of Force. The routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Tactical Commander.

At approximately 1300 hrs, [REDACTED] was traveling in support of [REDACTED] with our vehicle motorcade. I was assigned as the rear turret PSS for the lead Mamba for [REDACTED]. We had our emergency lights and sirens activated to alert oncoming traffic of our movement towards the entrance onto [REDACTED]. Additionally, all of our vehicles have stenciled signs in English and Arabic stating "Warning, Stay back 100 meters." In the vicinity of [REDACTED], the [REDACTED] motorcade was merging southbound onto [REDACTED] highway from the entrance of FOB Independence. As [REDACTED] lead vehicle entered the highway, all oncoming traffic had obeyed the lights & sir^s^j^ming signs, and visual and verbal signals given by our gunners to stop short of our merge. [REDACTED] lead vehicle and the ERV (second vehicle) were the only vehicles on the highway at this time. The Lead Mamba was oriented towards the south and the ERV was still perpendicular to the stopped traffic. I turned towards the front of the motorcade to scan the rest of my sector. As I scanned back towards the rear of the motorcade, I observed a primer gray in color sedan occupied by two military aged males. This vehicle was driving at a high rate of speed swerving around and through multiple stopped, vehicles. The suspect vehicle then accelerated towards the [REDACTED] motorcade. From previous training and experience, I recognized this as an AIF VBIED tactic used against coalition forces. I and 2 other turret gunners were yelling at the oncoming threat vehicle to "Kiff" meaning stop. I was giving hand signals to stop as well. I began to point my weapon in the direction of the threat vehicle so the driver would understand the seriousness of him continuing to approach our motorcade. I witnessed a pen flare fired from a fellow turret gunner bounce off the windshield of the threat vehicle. The vehicle in question continued to speed towards our [REDACTED].

[REDACTED]

By this time the vehicle was approaching me from behind and I was in fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. I fired a quick burst into the engine of the vehicle. It appeared to have no effect as the vehicle continued to accelerate and would have merged right into our ERV. I then transitioned to the driver compartment and fired approximately 10 rounds into the driver/ passenger area until the vehicle stopped and came to rest approximately 25 to 30 meters from the ERV. I continued to scan for additional threats from other areas.

I was unable to observe the condition of the driver and passenger. I then continued on mission in support of [REDACTED] without further incident. No PSS from [REDACTED] were injured during the incident. The TOC was immediately informed of the situation via radio by my Shift Leader.//END//

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>02-19-2007                  | Time<br>Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

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## General Military and Civilian Experience

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I am currently working for Backwater Security in Iraq as part of the Department of State WPPS program. Prior to deployinf Jo'tfag, I#&teBttednhd.Biaclcwaer JSS5WPPS II training course where I received training io! al:agR|cit\$ [REDACTED] ?egHri|y|^rations m a high thjeat environment. This training included [REDACTED]

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Tactical Support Team. EkAnty thls|titae, ;|:h&ve\*serfcdi ae & fitejteam member and I am currently assigned to the turret.\* 1+iae eonciuctecf numercxjs missions'in support of PSD teams.

## Incident

On 02-19-2007, I was assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ front turret position in the Emergency Response Vehicle, which was a Saxon and the second vehicle in our\_\_\_\_/vehicle motorcade. \_\_\_\_\_ I was traveling with lights and sirens running in order to make surrounding travelers aware\*of the motorcade's movement. \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles are also stenciled with, "Warning, Stay back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic.

At approximajely070p hours on Fefc^yaa^tS 2007. I attended a pre-mission brief which was given by the[\_\_\_\_ > Shift Leader\_\_\_\_\_. The briefing included, but was not limited to, the rules of engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken and intelligence pertinent to our area of operations for the day.

\_\_\_\_ ~jwas in direct support of\_\_\_\_\_ ~ jwas leaving there venue, Kharq prison, \_\_\_\_\_ returning toT \_\_\_\_\_ (TST staging areaU \_\_\_\_\_ [departed venue and took their! \_\_\_\_\_ /route back. J[his route took them t h r o u g h \_\_\_\_\_ J and onto!\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_f At this time, ! \_\_\_\_\_ ~ I was staged at FOB indiB^eDciTSy Tactical Commander advised us that when... \_\_\_\_\_ I reached! \_\_\_\_\_ we would leave in support of them. As we departed at approximateiy~T300 hours from FOB independence, I observed the lead vehicle turret PSS signaling the on coming traffic to yield. This traffic was coming from the south of^'"» \_\_\_\_\_ While scanning my sector, I observed numerous vehicles obeying commands to^stop moving. Approximately 100 meters away from the stopped vehicles, I observed a grey in color vehicle traveling at a high rate of speed, in the same direction as the stopped vehicles. I gave the vehicle hand and arm signals and verbal commands to stop. The vehicle's driver disregarded our signals. The suspect vehicle was now approximately^jmetres from our vehicle and I fired 1 pen flare at the vehicle in an attempt to get them to stop. The flare struck the front window of the vehicle, but the vehicle continued todrive toward our motorcade at a high rate of speed. The suspect vehicle was now less than|\_\_\_\_> meters away and heading directly for our vehicle and motorcade. I also observed the suspect vehicle to be occupied by two Iraqi male subjects. Due to the recent spike in VBIED attacks and this particular vehicle matching the description of a vehicle listed on a previous Bolo report of suspected VBIED's, I was in fear for my life and in fear for the lives of my fellow teammates. I fired approximately one three round burst from my Department of State issued! vrifle into the grill of the vehicle.

The said vehicle continued at what appeared to be a higher rate of speed towards our motorcade. I then fired approx 10 rounds into the driver side portion of the window in an attempt to stop the threat. The vehicle finally stopped approx 30 meters away from our vehicle (ERV). I then observed the passenger of the vehicle exit and run away.

Our vehicle motorcade confined tlfrrdUfh afccJ Tadvlsectrfiy Sjiift-le^d&r, that I had fired shots in order to stop the threat to our nrotoreage? ^scachris^I tiim^tlraf I Was unhurt. Our motorcade continued south in support of \_\_\_\_\_ without further incident. Upon completing support of \_\_\_\_\_ we returned to \_\_\_\_\_ again without incident.//END//

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## Case Summary

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REGIONAL SECURITY  
BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00012Impact: NOT SPECIFIED  
Status: OPEN

## Required Case Info

Case Title: 20070221, UODFI, BAGHDAD, aggressively

## Synopsis

On February 21, 2007, a CoM PSD team, engaged an aggressive vehicle while in the Red Zone in Baghdad. The team shot two rounds at the vehicle causing it to stop. There were no injuries to CoM personnel.

Status: OPEN

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

## Categories:

- CRIME / INCIDENT

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## Optional Case Info

Summary ID: 20070221000120

## Attachments

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## Related Cases

Interview Notes

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## Violations Impacted:

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## Outstanding Warrants/USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS

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## Status History

TECS Lookout: No

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## Case Origin/Source

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Source Organization: RSO TOC

Name: TOC

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Source Comments:

## Personnel Assignment

Carpenter, Theodore DUTY AGENT BAGHDAD

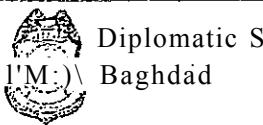
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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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| Case Type      | Program                   | Dates Investigated    |             |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | REGIONAL SECURITY         | 21-FEB-07 -           |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status               | Open/Close Case Dates |             |
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On February 21 2007 [REDACTED] a CoM PSD motorcade, was the advance element for) mission to the Tobchi Juvenile Prison.<sup>1</sup> At approximately 0910 hrs, [REDACTED] was sitting in heavy traffic in an intersection on top of an overpass in the vicinity dt 1 The team had established a standoff "bubble" around its vehicles. A tan, four-door station wagon driven by one male then approached the motorcade at a high rate of speed from an exit ramp to the right. Initially the vehicle was approximately!" )from the team. Recognizing a known SVBIED tactic, the Lead's right rear passenger,

began to use verbal and hand and arm signals to stop the oncoming vehicle. When those did not work, he fired a pen flare at the station wagon; It struck the ground 10 meters in front of the car in plain view of the driver^ NowJ meters from f the vehicle showed no signs of slowing. Due to the failure of lesser means to stop the car, Jred two rounds from his rifle into car's grill. The station wagon came to a controlled stop approximate/ ;from the motorcade, "me vehicle's driver did not appear to be injured.

There were no injuries to CoM personnel.

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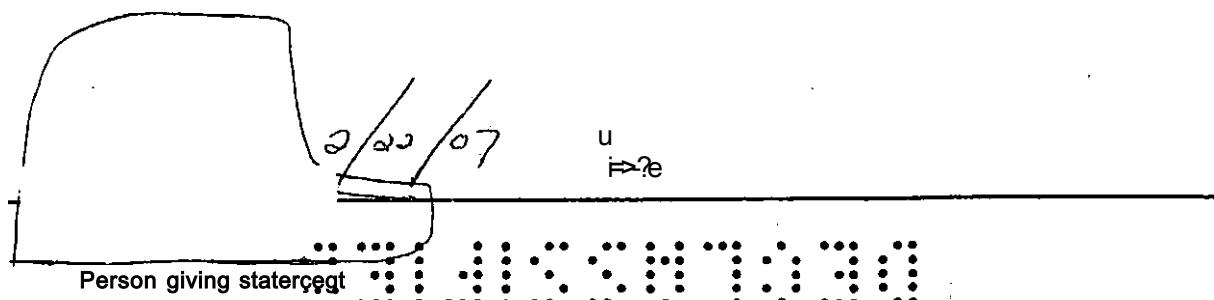
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On 21 February 2007 at 0815 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ conducted a pre-mission brief to outline the plan for conducting an Advance to the Tobchi Juvenile Prison. The brief was conducted in accordance with standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible and multiple SVBIEDs (Suicide Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device). The mission today required them to leave the relative safety of the U.S. Military-controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where para-military / insurgent forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct terrorist and guerrilla operations. Attacks on American military and civilians are prevalent in this area.

At approximately 0845 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ departed the WPPS Camp parking lot, in a car motorcade, utilizing their vehicle, in order to conduct an Advance of the Tobchi Juvenile Prison in support of the mission. At approximately 0910 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ was held up in heavy traffic in an intersection on top of an overpass in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ when a tan in color, four door station wagon, occupied by one individual, approached the front of the motorcade, from an exit ramp to the right, at a high rate of speed. Recognizing this action as a known SVBIED tactic used by insurgents, the right rear passenger of the Lead vehicle, \_\_\_\_\_ announced the threat to the other team members inside the lead vehicle. At that point the station wagon was approximately away and still approaching at a high rate of speed. Based on his experience, observations, and training, \_\_\_\_\_ perceived the vehicle to be an imminent threat to his life, and the lives of his teammates. \_\_\_\_\_ used visual and verbal signs in an attempt to stop the vehicle. \_\_\_\_\_ then fired a non-lethal State Department approved Pen Flare at the approaching station wagon. The flare struck approximately 10 meters in front of the station wagon in plain view of the driver. The station wagon, now at approximately 10 meters, continued to close on the motorcade with no signs of slowing down. Adhering to the State Department Rules of Engagement and the Force Continuum, \_\_\_\_\_ engaged the station wagon by firing two rounds, from his State department issued weapon, into the front grille in an attempt to stop the vehicle. The station wagon came to a stop approximately from the lead vehicles position. The driver of the station wagon did not appear to be injured. The Shift Leader immediately notified the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) of the incident and continued the mission to the Tobchi Juvenile Prison.

Upon return to the International Zone, \_\_\_\_\_ reported to the RSO/TOC for debrief and a Spot report".

No additional property damage was observed. For further information see attached DS Sworn Statements by listed Operator(s) involved. -END-



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**INCIDENT REPORT**

This report may be forwarded to the Commanding Officer.

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**Date of Report:** 21 Feb 07

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**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Anthony Sanganetti

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander

**Date of Incident:** 21 Feb 07

**Time of Incident:** 0906

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** [redacted] ^ intersection Rout[redacted] "fRout el[redacted]

**Personnel Involved:** [redacted]

**Incident Synopsis:**

On 21 February 2007 at 0906 hrs, an Advance Team traveling North-bound through the intersection of [redacted] land [redacted] in-route to Tobchi Prison. As they entered the intersection a small white station wagon aggressively approached the right side of the motorcade. In an escalation of force, two rounds were fired into the grill of the vehicle causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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On Wednesday February 21st, at 0815 hours, [REDACTED] staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support of [REDACTED] PSD mission to the Tobchi Juvenile Prison. The **brief was conducted in accordance with ^ J standard operating** procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible and multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device) . Our mission today was an advance for [REDACTED] at the Tobchi Juvenile Prison as well as conducting a TSS packet for that venue. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the U.S. Military-controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where para-military / insurgent forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct terrorist and guerrilla operations. Attacks on American military and civilians are prevalent in this area.

I was assigned as the Right Rear passenger in the Lead Vehicle, a Suburban, of a" ] motorcade. On the rear doors of this vehicle, in big red letters, ft says "WARNING - Stay back 100 meters". This is written in both English and Arabic. There were four other personnel in this vehicle. I was armed with a U. S. Department of State issued , rifle.

On the 21st day of February 2007 at 0900 hours, [REDACTED] JSas^gnroute. to the Tobchi Juvenile Prison to conduct an Advance for [REDACTED] was traveling westbound through" [REDACTED] in a [REDACTED] motorcade.

The congestion from a U.S. Army Convoy created stop-and-go traffic, making the motorcade extremely vulnerable to a VBIED attack. The traffic in front of our motorcade was temporarily stopped, causing us to hold our position at ' 1 with the lead vehicle stopping at the end of', a freeway off ramp. While held, in traffic,..! ^ created^ ^ standoff position and held a perimeter bubble of approximately ^

meters. As the Right Rear passenger, I observed a tan four door station wagon approaching . oj^r^gajtjrc^de ^it ^ h^glj A^tf .f>f .speed. The vehicle was approximately III, I VfcwafJffpm'the: leacC jehicle, approaching via the off ramp. I "jSwn^Sately-^setJ .ianri\* anil arr»»»5gnals to signal the driver to stop. Seeing that the vehicle had made no attempt to slow I fired one pen flare, which struck the ground approximately 10 meters in front of the vehicle. The vehicle still did not slow. I assessed the vehicle as a possible threat because of its failure tp stop. The vehicle did not slow its approach and had closed to about \_\_\_\_\_. By then I assessed the station wagon as a possible VB'IED and imminent threat. The threat continued to close on the motorcade and with no signs of slowing, now at less than [ ]meters and still approaching at a high rate of speed. I continued to assess the situation as a threat. I then aimed and fired two well aimed shots to the front grille of the station wagon in an attempt to disable and stop the threat. I observed rounds impacting the front grille of the vehicle. The vehicle appeared to be disabled and slowed to a stop approximately / \_\_\_\_\_ } from the lead vehicle. I did not observe any casualties. \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Lead, f" " \_\_\_\_\_ immediately reported the incident to the Tactical Operations Center as we proceeded to exit the area. The shift leader then ordered continuation of the mission and \_\_\_\_\_ proceeded to the Tobchi Juvenile Prison without further incident or injury. -END-

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of

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*Kevin G. Tehan*

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

21 February 2007

## Spot Report - 022107-02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 21 February 2007 at approximately 1111 hrs, <sup>a</sup> \vehicle COM PSD Team en route to the Ministry of Interior encountered an aggressive blue four-door sedan occupied by two military age males<sup>^</sup>The motorcade was entering a major intersection, arid had established a <sup>~</sup>. meter bubble to the rear of their motorcade. The follow vehicle in the COM PSD motorcade noticed a blue sedan break through the rear traffic and penetrate the ~~ta~~ i e t e r bubble. <sup>This vehicle</sup> began to accelerate towards the motorcade as the COM PSD element entered the intersection.

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The rear gunner of the follow vehicle gave hand and verbal signals to the driver of the blue sedan, but did not receive a response. At approximately L2 meters, the rear gunner fired a pen flare to stop the blue sedan. The driver ignored the flare and continued to close towards the motorcade. At this time, an Iraqi Policeman stationed at the intersection also attempted to stop the vehicle by waving his hand, but this action was also unsuccessful. The blue sedan continued to advance aggressively on the motorcade and followed the COM PSD motorcade out of the intersection. When the blue sedan was approximately meters from the follow vehicle, the rear gunner fired one well-aimed; fomtdiffamfris issued), flfic into the grill of the blue sedan. TkfbLTft? Sfedast Aeft'cSine'to a complete stop. The military

aged males in the bl^e^qdan.apReargd.uiWfij^pe^ Th\$ GI^'fSD continued the mission without

There were three principals in the motorcade. There were no injuries to COM personnel, and no damage to COM equipment during this incident.

**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

**Drafted By:** Scott Bruggemann, Watch Officer Baghdad, Iraq

**Cleared By:** Ricardo Colon, Acting DRSO Baghdad

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Date of Report: JH Feb 07

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 21 Feb 07

Time of Incident: 1107

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_ Route: \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Incident Synopsis:

On 21 February 2007 at 1107 hrs<sup>1</sup> a vehicle CAT supporting! was traveling North-bound on Route and in the vicinity of when a small blue sedan aggressively approached the motorcade from the rear. In an escalation of force, one] f j round was fired into the grill of the vehicle causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue (Ministry of Interior) without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

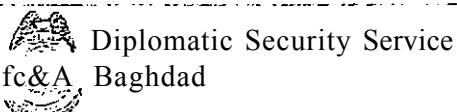
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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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| DS Case Number | Case Title                | ROI Type              | Report Date      |
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| RS-2007-00033  | 20070221, UODFI, BAGHDAD, | CASE INTERIM          | 21-FEB-07 b7E, F |
| Case Type      | Dates Investigated        |                       |                  |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | 21-FEB-07 - 22-FEB-07     |                       |                  |
| Case Impact    | Case Status               | Open/Close Case Dates |                  |
| NOT SPECIFIED  | OPEN                      | 21-FEB-07             |                  |

On February 21, 2007, a CoM Counter Assault Team (CAT) [REDACTED] was in support of [REDACTED] en route to the Iraqi Ministry of Interior. [REDACTED] Jtrailedj

In the vicinity of [REDACTED] the turret gunner noticed a blue sedan approaching the motorcade at a high rate of speed from the rear. There appeared to be two males in the car. The turret gunner, [REDACTED] used verbal and hand signals in an attempt to warn the sedan not to approach closer. The sedan's driver ignored the warnings and continued to approach the motorcade. In the intersection at [REDACTED] an Iraqi Police officer tried to stop the vehicle, by walking into the intersection and motioning for it to come to a stop. The blue sedan ignored the policeman, swerving around him, and accelerating toward the motorcade.

When the blue sedan approached to within [REDACTED] meters of the CAT vehicle, the turret gunner fired a pen flare at the car in a final attempt to warn the driver to slow down. The flare landed a few meters in front of the sedan, but had no effect on the actions of the driver; the sedan continued to approach [REDACTED] After pointing his weapon at the oncoming vehicle with no response, [REDACTED] shot one round from his rifle into the engine block. The sedan came to an immediate stop. The vehicle occupants did not appear to be injured.

[REDACTED] A continued its mission without further incident. No CoM personnel were injured during the incident.

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Approving Official(s):

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| Name<br>1                                  | (s)<br>b7c                                 | Team              | Situation<br>Shoot to Disable                         |
| Location/Venue<br>Approx. 100 meters north | gig ; Jtoyartfc) ; J ..<br>m. ^p0r<3<.1t1Q | m.                | Tipie^furjfa Date Occurred<br>21 February 2007        |
| NATO                                       |                                            |                   |                                                       |

b7E,F On 21 February, 2007 at approximately 1015 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included the venue they would be visiting, updated intelligence reports for the day, the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearm Policy, escalation of force, routes, and \_\_\_\_\_ load plan for the day.

\_\_\_\_\_ was tasked with providing support for \_\_\_\_\_ who was escorting principals to the Ministry of Interior, \_\_\_\_\_ with \_\_\_\_\_ HUMVEE, in trail, was traveling enroute to venue near \_\_\_\_\_ and within 100 meters of entering a major intersection with lights and sirens activated to warn other Iraqi drivers of the motorcade's presence, when an incident occurred. Additionally, the trail vehicle in! \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade had a sign with stenciled letters stating 'Warning, stay back 100 meters' in English and Arabic. \_\_\_\_\_ Jthe turret gunner in the last vehicle, called out "fast mover" meaning a vehicle was approaching fast from the rear, \_\_\_\_\_ then began to use hand; and arm gestures while yelling "Kiff" (meaning stop in Arabic) to the fast approaching blue sedan. The suspect vehicle appeared to be occupied by 2 male occupants. The suspect vehicle ignored the verbal and visual signals and continued to approach! \_\_\_\_\_ (motorcade. At this time, \_\_\_\_\_ /along with' \_\_\_\_\_ was making their way through' \_\_\_\_\_ An Iraqi Policeman also tried to slow down the suspect vehicle by walking into the intersection \_\_\_\_\_ and motioning for the blue sedan to stop. The suspect vehicle completely ignored the Iraqi Policeman, swerved to miss him, and accelerated closer to/ \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade. When the vehicle was approximately ["]^meters from the motorcade, \_\_\_\_\_ ]launched (1) pen flare in a final attempt to warn the approaching vehicle to stop. The pen flare impacted approxim^ly Smeters in front of the suspect vehicle. The vehicle in question continued to accelerate towards \_\_\_\_\_ which was the rear vehicle in \_\_\_\_\_ /motorcade. \_\_\_\_\_ jthen muzzled the vehicle with his weapon with no response. The vehicle was still approaching the motorcade at a high rate of speed and was getting closer. The vehicle now was approximately! \_\_\_\_\_ meters behind the motorcade when \_\_\_\_\_ , raised his Department of State issued gun at the vehicle and fired 1 round into the engine block to disable the vehicle. The vehicle came to an immediate stop confirming the two passengers had no further intent. Intelligence reports have shown this as a tactic often used in an attempt to probe motorcades to determine vulnerabilities.

The occupants appeared to be uninjured. The shot was fired approximately 100 meters north of \_\_\_\_\_ heading towards' \_\_\_\_\_ at approximately 1110 hours. \_\_\_\_\_ reported that he fired 1 shot to disable and that he was uninjured" \_\_\_\_\_ immediately notified \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader,(via internal net) who in turn notified the RSO TOC (via \_\_\_\_\_ ) with a brief description of the incident. \_\_\_\_\_ Jand\ \_\_\_\_\_ ]then drove through' \_\_\_\_\_ (and continued to the Ministry of Interior/ \_\_\_\_\_ without further incident.//END///

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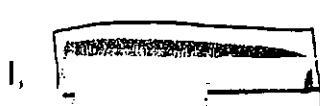


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| Date<br>21 February, 2007             | Time<br>Approx. 1730 hours |
| Location<br><u>WPPS Camp, Baghdad</u> |                            |

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, hereby make the following statement at the request of

, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in any criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree to furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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in [redacted] 11 became employed with Blackwater Security and received high threat training under US Department of State guidance. I have served in the Baghdad and Karbala, Iraq area of operations. While working for Blackwater I have received relevant training from the High Threat Operations Courses (WPPS I and II) and On-Site Team Training. These courses leave no questions concerning the Rules of Engagement and Use of Force. This has been reinforced here in Iraq under the supervision of the Regional Security Office and its Blackwater representatives for the Iraq Protective Detail.

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During my contract work wtfS & Vate\* in teqO'have cc^uetfifn^erous PSD missions as well as Advance and Counl^AfceaOltTftarrCCCAT) suppSoft mi\$steos»t venues in and around Baghdad. Our mission is to provide the Department of State personnel safe passage to and from venue as well as on venue. While serving a n } and other teams I have been trained in all aspects of PSD and Counter Assault to include responding to aggressor vehicles, Department of State Rules of Engagement, Escalation of Force, and emergency procedures to best prepare for unforeseen circumstances. I've also trained while at Blackwater on shooting from a moving platform.

## INCIDENT

On Wednesday February 21 st, at approximately 1015, \_\_\_\_\_ staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission and direct support of \_\_\_\_\_ mission to the \_\_\_\_\_. The brief was conducted in accordance with \_\_\_\_\_ standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief, and "rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible and multiple VBIEDs (Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices) to include local emergency vehicles. Our mission required us to leave the U.S. Military controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where Para-military / Insurgent forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct terrorist and guerrilla operations.

I was the Driver in the rear Counter Assault Vehicle, a HMMWV of a ^ motorcade. There were four other personnel in this vehicle. I was armed with a U.S. Department of State issued 7 Z J rifle, SN:\_\_\_\_\_

On the 21st day of February 2007 at approximately 1110 h o u r s , was en route to the Ministry of Interior^ \_\_\_\_\_ f \_\_\_\_\_ J v a s traveling in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ ; ma motorcade.

We drove through"" \* past an Iraqi Police check point when I heard my up gunner, [ ] . ^ s t a t e he had a vehicle approaching fast from our rear. He reported that it was not stopping. I lifted in my driver's side rearview mirror and observed a dark blue passenger vehicle gaining on us from the rear. I could hear a C Z > « i n g "Kiff, Kiff, Kiff" for the vehicle to stop. Our vehicle had its sirens and lights activated to warn other Iraqi vehicles of our approach into the area. Additionally a sign on the rear of our vehicle had the words "Warning, stay back 100 meters," stenciled in both English and Arabic. Then I heard the "pop" of a pen flare being fired by [ ] looking in my side view mirror, I saw the flare hit the ground directly in front of the suspended vehicle. The vehicle did not slow down whatsoever and continued to close on the motorcade^ The vehicle was approximately^ meters behind us and was approaching fast. ^ ^ J then fired one round from his [ ] Tat the vehicle. I observed the vehicle come to a sudden stop and steam come from the grill I observed two occupants in the vehicle and they were moving around after the shot was fired. The occupants in the aspect yefcls a^e. ar^d. u.ninjured. [ ] b7c, F

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ISL reported the incident to the TOC. We continued the mission without further  
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of  
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Signed

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Address

WPPS Camp Baghdad

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 22nd day of February 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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**Sworn Statement**

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| Location<br>WPPS Camp, Baghdad |                            |

I, [REDACTED] b6 jic hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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At approximately 1110 hours, Wednesday February 21, 2007, our vehicle, was supporting' (traveling to the Ministry of Interior; a The lead vehicle of our motorcade was operating Emergency Lights and Sirens / air horns. Our vehicle is also clearly marked with, "Warning, Stay back 100 meters" in English and Arabic. I was assigned as the Counter Assault Team (CAT) turret gunner (last vehicle in a[ motorcade). Our motorcade was south of. I headed north to' . At this time, I noticed a blue sedan with 2 occupants approaching the motorcade from the rear. The vehicle began to move closer toward us as we neared! jl began to use visual and verbal signals to warn the driver not to come any closer. The suspect vehicle ignored all of my signals and continued to encroach. As we entered the vehicle had moved within approximately^meters of the motorcade. I deployed a perTflare which landed approximately 15 feet in front of the vehicle. The driver clearly saw the pen flare impact and ignored this warning all together. An Iraqi Police Officer in the traffic circle noticed our approaching vehicles and tried to assist by signaling the driver to stop. The vehicle swerved around the I P and closed the distance to approximately!^. .meters. We were approximately 100 meters through' when I raised my department of state issuedf^and pointed at the suspect vehicle TivTTast attempt to get him to stop before firing. The suspect vehicle continued to close the distance on our motorcade. In fear for the lives of my team mates and myself, I fired one round into the engine block of the vehicle to disable the vehicle. Steam began poring out of the hood of the vehicle and it came to an abrupt stop. It appeared as if neither occupant were injured. I advised the Tactical Commander of the situation who in turn advised the Shift Leader. Our motorcade continued to the v^rjie jiitjioyffqrtt^r kJ6i(feTT7;/END//r : :

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 22nd day of February 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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On 2-22=2007 I. \_\_\_\_\_ j, and \_\_\_\_\_ observed two tour boats headed south on the Shatt River headed towards our location. This occurred at approximately 15:26 hours. The lead tour boat was noted to have five males approximately 20-30 years of age, and no weapons were noted. The follow boat (approximately 200-30.0m behind the lead) was noted to be filled to capacity with women and children.

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We observed the lead boat take a path that brought it in line with our perimeter buoys (warning line.) The boat passed by the Romanian barracks without incident or response from the Romanians. As the boat approached the area in front of the UN building PSS(\_\_\_\_\_) fired a pen flare in the vicinity of the boat without effect. I observed via binoculars that the men on the boat showed no interest in the flare and no effort was made to change course. The Boat passed within approximately 50 feet of the buoy located directly in front of the UN building. PSS T shouted for the boat to change course again without effect. At this time PSS' jloaded the} "\_\_\_\_\_.and v)f fired a 3: rouiid'burst impacting approx. 20 feet in front of the bow of the lead boat. This resulted in an immediate change in course of the lead-boat (U-Turn) and increase in speed out of the area. No damage to the boat or passengers was inflicted.

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The follow boat observed this incident and changed course at the same time. The second boat continued on the far side of the river (East side) without incident.

We attempted to notify SJL via radio with no response (comms aTe very poor at the UN building.) We elected to notify SL J in person.

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RE: Weapons Discharge

On 22 Feb 07 at approximately 153.0 hrs I' \_\_\_\_\_ J and \_\_\_\_\_ were conducting River Watch at the UN Building at the American Embassy In Basrah. At this time we had observed two boats proceeding down the river from the Northwest towards the Un building. The lead boat had five malepashegers and the follow boat approximately 20 passengers. The lead boat maneuvered-the boat at a proximity too close to cause river Watch to fire a flare in front of the boat... At this time the boat continued on course without heeding the warning from the flare.... It was at this time that I gave a verbal warning to stay back and I locked and loaded the' \_\_\_\_\_ .. The boat continued on a steady course... The boat maneuvered to within 50ft of the first bouy... I fired a three round burst of the' \_\_\_\_\_ approximately 20yrs in front of the boat. At this time the boat immediately turned around and headed back up the river to the Northwest. The boat proceeded to the far side of the river and around the cove where it dropped of 3 male passengers and the moved to the near side and around to the docks up river... End of statement...

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| Blackwater USA                                 |            | Statement Form |     |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>25 Feb 2007, 1200 |
| Name                                           | b7C<br>b7C | Team           | Air | Incident Type                                                                     | Attack on BW Air, Bell 412                  |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature) |            |                |     | Incident Time                                                                     | MSotfre                                     |
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On February 24th, 2007 at 1900, BW Air conducted a mission brief for the following day's mission to Hillah. The mission brief included a detailed listing of what the mission entailed and the route to be taken. The "load plan" for the gunners and the passengers to be transported were discussed and noted by the senior gunner for each helo for the next morning.

On February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2007 at approximately 0800 hrs, BW Air conducted a pre-mission brief. The brief included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force.

On Sunday, February 25th, at 0930, Blackwater Aviation, with 4 passengers (Columbian Blackwater employee's) on a Bell 412 helicopter left Hillah en route to LZ Washington for drop off. The Pilots were [ ] (left side) and [ ] (right side). The security personnel on the helicopter were [ ] (left side) and [ ] (right side).

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While enroute to LZ Washington, at approximately 0950 hours, in the vicinity (IYO) of [ ] the aircraft was engaged by multiple ground assailants utilizing automatic weapons. The insurgents were firing from a wooded area that afforded them maximum concealment from any aircraft as it traversed that area of operations. The State Department intelligence analysts and military analysts have received numerous reports recently concerning helicopters being engaged by automatic weapons. These accounts have been briefed in numerous pre-mission briefs, by air and ground elements.

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The left gunner [ ] briefly returned fire with his State Dept. issued [ ] in the direction of the muzzle flashes. Once there was no longer a threat, [ ] and [ ] assessed the aircraft by visually inspecting the interior and exterior of the helicopter. The Left Door Gunner f [ ] ^ advised the pilots that he noticed fuel leaking down the left side of the aircraft.

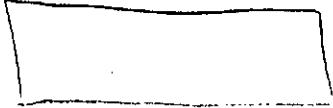
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The pilots informed the Department of State TOC in Baghdad, and they also advised LZ Washington Tower to have the Airfield Fire Department ready for their arrival. Upon arrival at LZ Washington the pilots landed at the far end of the LZ and the gunners quickly offloaded all the passengers to a safe distance away from the airframe. The entire aircraft was inspected by the ground crew. Multiple entry/exit holes were found on the Airframe. (Photo's have been taken and will be distributed IA with Blackwater policy).

This statement is true and complete to the best of my knowledge.



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Date of Report: 25 Feb 07

#### **Location:**

Task Order

## Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sangani

Title of Person Releasing Report: TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 25 Feb 07

Time of Incident: 0945

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of incident: approximately nine (9) miles south of LZ

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## Washington

#### **Personnel Involved: DoS Air Assets**

Incident Synopsis: On 25 Feb 07 at approximately 0945 hours, a DoS Air Asset (Boeing Medium Lift 412) received approximately 8 rounds of Small Arms Fire (SAF). The aircraft, flying as the [redacted] aircraft in a [redacted] aircraft formation, was on return from A1 Hillah REO and in the vicinity of [redacted] when it was struck with approximately 8 rounds. The right door gunner returned fire expending approximately 30 rounds off [redacted] from his [redacted] J The aircraft sustained damage to the fuel tanks, control components and three (3) rotor blades. The aircraft was able to return to LZ Washington without further incident.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW AIR OPS, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

## Additional Reports Generated: DoS Spot Report

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| <b>Blackwater USA</b>                          | <b>Statement Form</b> |  | <b>Date/Time of Statement</b><br><b>25 Feb 07/1210</b> |
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North Carolina. While in training for Blackwater, I received instruction that mirrored those used to train  
special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. Once again, I was instructed in  
the proper 'use of force' and the duties I would be required to provide while serving in a combat zone in the  
arena of High Threat Protection. During my training, I was taught the difference in hostile and non-hostile  
targets, in order to use the proper use of force. After training, I was sent to Baghdad, Iraq as part of  
Blackwater's contract with the Department of State. I have been working as a member of Blackwater  
Aviation for the past! providing close air support for hundreds of protective detail 'assignments'.

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On \_\_\_\_\_, I was assigned to BW 412' " " as the[ \_\_\_\_\_. The additional crew assigned to this aircraft were pilot's [left seat], j(right;seat), and gunner f [right side]. BW 412 f Jwas/ /aircraft's for this day's mission.

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At approximately 0950 hrs, BW412J left LZ Washington enroute to Hillah for a personnel exchange. BW 412 had 4 passengers and my aircraft was transporting four TCN guard force personnel. Once we were airborne and in flight for approximately 20 minutes, (In the Vicinity of [redacted]) I heard shots being fired, and overheard [redacted] say over the radio, shots fired.

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Once he made this announcement, I observed what appeared to be 2-3 military aged males (MAM) firing machine guns and saw muzzle flashes. At this time I fired two 10-15 round bursts at the MAM's. I heard and felt machine gun fire during this time. One of the pilots immediately asked if everyone was ok. I heard \_\_\_\_\_ respond that he was ok and none of the TCN's were hit. I immediately responded by saying I was ok and all four of the TCN's were not injured. I looked outside towards the rear of the aircraft and could not see any damage/smoke or leaking fluids. I heard the pilot say calmly that we needed to land the aircraft at LZ Washington with Fire crew standing by. I continued to scan my sector and look for any other possible threats. Then I heard! \_\_\_\_\_ ask 412 ) \_\_\_\_\_ j to fly to our rear and look at our aircraft for any leaks or signs of trouble. At this time we were 2-3 minutes away from LZ Washington and I requested to f \_\_\_\_\_ that 412 > \_\_\_\_\_ needed to land first. 412 \_\_\_\_\_ landed at the far north end of the landing zone and I told bothf \_\_\_\_\_ and I to unload the passengers and move them to the far northeastern corner of the LZ. We moved away from the aircraft with our passengers, and waited for the emergency crews to arrive.

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No injuries to report. Nothing follows.

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### **Person giving statement**

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E.O. 12958: N/A  
TAGS: ASEC  
SUBJECT: COM HELICOPTER SUFFERS DAMAGE FROM GROUND FIRE  
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- 1. (SBU) Summary: On February 25, 2007, a RSO Air Wing medium-lift helicopter suffered damage from small arms fire\* south of Baghdad. The helicopter was part of a flight returning from a logistics mission to Hillan. At least seven rounds damaged the aircraft, however were able to return safely to their base. There were no injuries to the flight crew or passengers. End Summary.

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2 (SBU) On February 25, 2007, RSO Air Wing Bell 412 medium-lift helicopters were returning from Hillah on the last leg of a sche^"ibd logistics mission. aircraft carried a crew of in addition to passengers, for a total of Chief of Mission (CoM) personnel. The terrain around the site of the attack is open ^ ^ t r a i l f isolated buildings. At the time of the incident the aircraft

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3 (SBU) At 0945, while approximately nine miles south of Baghdad, the helicopter of the received a short duration of small arms fire. aircraft immediately initiated evasive maneuvers. At the same time, the right-side gunner in the I I aircraft engaged puffs of smoke believed to be the source of tip small arms fire with approximately thirty rounds from his Weapon. The incoming fire ceased almost immeaiateiy.

4 (SBU) The pilot of the aircraft determined that, although the helicopter had suffered damage and was leaking fuel it was still flight-worthy. The flight continued with its mission, finally setting down at Landing Zone (LZ) Washington in the International Zone. A damage assessment determined that at least seven rounds pierced the aircraft, damaging the belly fuel tanks. -flight controls and three of the four rotor blades. The aircraft did not suffer any damage. There also were no injuries to any of the COM personnel.

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5. (SBU) Judging from the angle of the impacts, the shooter appears to have initially engaged the aircraft when it was directly over an injured crew member. The helicopter flew away. This does not appear to be a complex attack. The lead pilot concludes that a lone gunman was most likely responsible for the attack. The pilot believes that he would have taken more damage in a coordinated, multiple-shooter scenario, given his altitude and proximity to the attack site.

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6. (SBU)

[REDACTED] . I jnis was the first line since January Jl, 2U07, that [REDACTED] flew over the area in question. Coincidentally, on January 31, The RSO Air Wing lost another Bell 412 due to hostile fire originating approximately one kilometer north of this attack site. The aircraft from the January incident was too damaged to return to base, so Coalition forces destroyed it in place.

7. (SBU) Based upon a detailed damage assessment, this helicopter will be not be operational for possibly two to three weeks, depending on part availability and shipping time. During that time RSO Baghdad will have only operational medium-lift helicopters.

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On February 26, 2007 at approximately S32;Gbfs while working river watch, I observed a small fishing boat occupied one possibly two times, pull up to the bank directly across the river from the UN building. The boat was approximately ten feet in length and two feet wide. It was extremely hard to observed do to the time of night and that there were no types of running lights on the boat itself. I observed the boat for ten minutes then, notified the TOC of the same. At 2340hrs I fired one handheld popup flare in the direction of the boat. It appeared to have no effect. At this time the Romanian post located just down stream of the UN building fired one of its flares directly at the boat and still the boat remained in place. I then fired a red flare in the direction of the boat and within five minutes the boat pulled off the bank and moved tip river to approximate grid \_\_\_\_\_ where again it pulled up to the bank where it remained until I was relieved of my post on 27 February 2007 at 001 Shrs. At one point a small lighted fishing boat drifted by the suspect boat. Its light illuminated what appeared to be an eight to ten foot mast located at one end of the suspect boat.

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On February 21, 2007 at approximately 2320hrs while working on river watch, I observed a flare being fired across the river from the British watch tower located just upriver from the UN building. When I looked across the river with my night vision devices I could just make out the silhouette of what appeared to be the same small fishing boat, pulled up in front of a grove of trees located directly across the river from the UN building. At this time I tried to notify TOC of same. But communications were not made. At this time I fired a red star parachute in the direction of the boat which illuminated the boat enough to where I could see one subject and the mast. The boat still did not move from its location. Approximately ten minutes later I fired a red smoke grenade which landed in the water fifteen feet directly down stream from the boat producing a small amount of smoke visible with the naked eye. The boat still did not move. Ten minutes later the Romanian post located just down stream from the UN building fired a flare at the boat and still the boat did not move from its location or the bank. At approximately 2355hrs the boat slowly moved from the bank and relocated to "1100 feet upriver from its prior location. I observed one subject exit the boat and walk up the bank. On 28 February 2007 at 001 hrs I was relieved of duties by.

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Feb. 28,2007

To: Brian Bachmann (RSO), Jeffery Huber (PM)

## Subject: 3<sup>rd</sup> Shift FSS Incident Report

On or about 2250 hrs on Feb. [REDACTED] fixed site supervisor<sup>^</sup> [REDACTED] noticed 4 individuals about 250-300 meters on the left side of the road from [REDACTED], gathering near a white BMW sedan. He also noticed one of the individuals carrying a video camera. He called back to the fixed site office to relay his observations. and then, we noticed some more individuals on the right side of the road as well [REDACTED]. We observed one person at the same distance placing or picking up an unknown object more than one time at the same spot. Knowing that helicopters, were inbound, I radioed \* [REDACTED] (and had him shoot a pen flare near the individuals. After the pen flare was shot, they continued to gather around. Shortly after, [REDACTED] and I headed to<sup>^</sup> [REDACTED] to assess with the matter. We arrived at [REDACTED] headed to<sup>^</sup> [REDACTED], and I headed to<sup>^</sup> [REDACTED] which is located 20 meters from the gate. I shot one round (Red illumination) near<sup>r</sup> [REDACTED] They continued to gather, so I shot another round (Red illumination) closer to their sedan. They quickly jumped into their vehicle and headed south towards our gate and took a right off

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March 08, 2007



## SPOT REPORT - 030807- 01

SUBJECT: COM ^ ^ ^ CAT Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle

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REPORTING OFFICE: RSO TOC - Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 8 March, 2007 at 0925 hours, a Chief of Mission (COM) r ICAT (Counter Assault Team) was supporting a COM PSD movement to the Ministry of Oil. The \_\_\_\_\_ CAT team was traveling northeast on River Road (which lies along the Tigris River on the northern side of the Karada peninsula) a two lane northeast/southwest thoroughfare with no median at approximately 40 miles per hour. The \_\_\_\_\_ CAT team consisted of\* " ^ v e h i c l e s : " ^

As the \_\_\_\_\_ ^ CAT team traveled northeast, the gunner in the lead HMMWV turret observed three cars at approximately 100 yards approaching the motorcade from the oncoming lane (traveling southeast) and motioned for them to pull over and stop with hand signals. The first two cars did pull off the road and started rolling to a stop. The third car, a yellow four door taxi cab, contained the driver, a MAM, (Military, Aged Male), which also pulled over, and like the firgtjtwcijcfirs \*fegaH/oUing 3o ajsfot. ft Approximately \_\_\_\_\_ from the lead HIsfIMWV, however fife taxi ca\*b executed a forty five degree left turn, pulled out toward the lead HMMWV, and started to increase speed. In the last two weeks the area of River Road has seen an increase in the number VBIED's (Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive

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Devices) and a [REDACTED] Off the BOFiOtSe! On the Look Out for) list. Due to the aggressive actions of the taxi cab, the aforementioned threat activity, and the extremely short amount time, the gunner in the lead HMMWV judged the best method to stop the threat was to engage the driver of the taxi cab. The gunner placed his [REDACTED] on semi-automatic and aimed at driver. At the moment he started to fire, the HMMWV driver swerved to avoid the taxi cab. This movement disrupted the gunners shooting position and the gunner fired three rounds into the hood of the taxi rather than at the driver. Upon his vehicle being fired upon, the taxi driver pulled off of River Road and came to a stop in front of the first car. The gunner reported the [REDACTED] driver was moving around in the taxi and appeared uninjured. The [REDACTED] CAT team then continued on with their mission after which they returned to the International Zone without further incident.

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**RSO ACTION:** j [REDACTED] CAT members are completing written statements. The RSO is investigating the shooting.

**LOCATION:** Karada Peninsula, Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

**DRAFTED BY:** Sam Pikula, RSO TOC Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq  
**CLEARED BY:** Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad, Iraq

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## iNCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 08 Mar 07

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Location: \_\_\_\_\_ 1

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 08 Mar 07

Time of Incident: 0928

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

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Detail Location of Incident: 500 meters south of \_\_\_\_\_ "(River Road)"

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_

### Incident Synopsis:

On 08 March 2007 at 0928 hrsf~~~ al Counter Assault Team (F-CAT) was traveling North on River Road in support of] \_\_\_\_\_ and J movement to Ministry of Oil. Approximately 500 meters south of) ja yellow taxi (sedan) maneuvered around two stopped vehicles and aggressively approached the lead vehicle of the motorcade. In an escalation of force, three' \_\_\_\_\_ j rounds were fired, by the turret gunner of the lead vehicle, with the rounds impacting the hood of the taxi causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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## Case Summary

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**Required Case Info**

**Case Title:** 20070308 EOF by

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**Status:** CLOSED

**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATIVE

**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY

**Categories:**

- GENERAL

**Preliminary Inquiry:** PQ-2007-05159

**Synopsis**

On March 8, 2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Detail (PSD) was involved in a use of force incident while en route to the Ministry of Oil. There were no known injuries or damages to COM property or personnel. The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC (see team member statements for further details). The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

**Primary Subjects****Case Reports****Optional Case Info****Impact:**

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**Due Date:**

**Countries Impacted:**

**Violations:**

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**TECS Lookout:** No

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**Attachments**

| Title           | Type      | Size     |
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| team statements | Adobe PDF | 3,380 kB |

**Related Cases****Outstanding Warrants****Case Origin/Source****Status History**

**Source Organization:** RSO Baghdad, ARSO-TDY

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**Name:** ARSO-TDY Noriko Horiuchi

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**Phone:**

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**Source Comments:**

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**Personnel Assignment**

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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| DS Case Number | Case Title        | ROI Type              | Report Date |
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| RS-2007-00315  | 20070308 EOF by"  | CASE FINAL            | 08-MAR-07   |
| Case Type      | Program           | Open/Close Case Dates |             |
| ADMINISTRATE   | REGIONAL SECURITY | 09-SEP-07             |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status       | Dates Investigated    |             |
|                | OPEN              | 08-MAR-07 - 09-MAR-07 |             |

On March 08, 2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Detail (PSD), \CAT, was involved in use of force incident while en-route to the Ministry of Oil engaging a vehicle occupied by male.<sup>b7E, b7F</sup> \CAT was traveling as part of a vehicle motorcade with lights and sirens, when team members noticed a vehicle that had swerved around stopped traffic and drove towards the motorcade in a 45 degree angle, disregarded verbal and arm/hand signals, and being driven in an aggressive manner by a male. The PSD member fired multiple well aimed shots at the vehicle, striking and disabling the vehicle. The use of force was reported to the shift leader, and then reported by the shift leader to the RSO TOO.

There was no damage to COM property or personnel. All members involved were interviewed by DS Special Agent Noriko Horiuchi. See enclosed sworn statements. The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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| POST                           | DATE REPORTED | DATES INVESTIGATED             | REPORTING AGENT |
| Baghdad                        | 08 March 2007 | 08 March 2007                  | Hammond         |

SYNOPSIS

On 08 March 2007 members of a Chief of Mission Personal Protective Detail fired three rounds from an [redacted] rifle at an aggressive vehicle. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no apparent injuries to the driver of the suspect vehicle. This incident was within U.S. Embassy Baghdad's Use of Force policy.

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DECLARANT: *wtecorssffmDi* ^  
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On Thursday March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2007, I was advised by personnel in the RSO TOC that one of the Chief of Mission (COM) Persona'. Security Details (PSD) had fired several J-sounds at a vehicle during an escalation of force incident.

When the team finished it's duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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f [redacted] who was in the Turret Gunner position and the only one to fire his weapon, told me the following: He said mat while [redacted] longnorth River Road in support of PSD [redacted]. While northbound on an undivided roadway, the team was utilizing lights, sirens, and visual and audible signals to indicate that traffic needed to yield to their motorcade.

At the tim; of the shooting, three vehicles approached the motorcade from the north in the southbound lane. The first two vehicles yielded to the motorcade by pulling to the right side of the road and reducing speed. The third vehicle, a yellow tax. (unknown make and model) with one male occupant, also began to slow, but suddenly pulled out from behind the other two cars as the metorace was approaching.

The suspect vehicle quickly accelerated and appeared as if it were going to ram the motorcade. [redacted] had previously given visual and audible signals to yield and, due to the short distance involved and the suspect vehicle's sudden movement, believed that the car was an immediate threat to his life and the lives of others in the motorcade. There was not time nor distance to give additional warnings or shoot to disable the vehicle.

f [redacted] quickly brought hisf " on target and intended to shoot the driver of the vehicle through the windshield. Due to the motorcade driver's evasive maneuvering, however, when he fired his [his sight picture had been jerked down and to the left, causing his three rounds to impact the hood of the vehicle just in front of the windshield.

The shots fired and evasive maneuvering of the COM vehicle caused the suspect vehicle to swerve back to the right and pull off the side of the road, where it appeared to come to a complete stop under its own power. [redacted] said he continued to watch the [redacted] driver through his rifle sight and that the driver sat in the driver's seat "moving around." He then returned to his dut.es as the motorcade was still in transit

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. I believe this escalation of force incioent to be within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>8 March 2007    | Time<br>Approx. 1420 hours |
| Location                |                            |
| WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

[redacted] *b6 b7c* hereby make the following statement at the request of  
I, [redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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In [redacted] I accepted a contract with Blackwater USA. I received training that mirrored that of U.S. Federal Agents in the U.S. State Department, Bureau of Diplomatic Security Service. I have been working in Baghdad as a member of a protective detail for [redacted]. I am currently the [redacted] for [redacted]

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## Incident

On Thursday March 8th, at 0845 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ iCAT staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission in direct support off \_\_\_\_\_; mission to the Ministry of Oil \_\_\_\_\_. The brief was conducted in accordance with \_\_\_\_\_ »standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief, and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible and multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device) along North River road. Intelligence has shown an increase in IED and VBIED attacks in the area of \_\_\_\_\_ 1 and" \_\_\_\_\_

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I was the \_\_\_\_\_ " J in the Lead Vehicle, a HUMVEE, of a \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade. Our vehicles are equipped with blue emergency lights, sirens, and an air horn to warn traffic ahead. These vehicles also have signs that say "WARNING - Stay back 100 meters". This is written in both English and Arabic. There were four other personnel in this vehicle.

On the 8<sup>m</sup> day of March 2007 at 0925hours, \_\_\_\_\_ GAT was in route to the Ministry of Oil \_\_\_\_\_ direct support off \_\_\_\_\_ CAT followed about\* \_\_\_\_\_ behind their [\_\_\_\_\_] designated^ \_\_\_\_\_ route. As' \_\_\_\_\_] CAT traveled north along North River road, in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ 3 indigenous vehicles approached us from the south. The first two vehicles recognized our lights and sirens and yielded as we prepared to continue northbound. The third vehicle, a bright yellow 4-door car, slowed with the first two. As our motorcade approached the three cars, the third vehicle accelerated towards the lead vehicle, almost at a 45 degree angle, at a high rate of speed.

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At this time, the lead turret P S S . i ^ \_\_\_\_\_ fired three (3) shots from his State Department issued \_\_\_\_\_ rifle, into the hood of the oncoming vehicle to disable it and stop it from entering the motorcade. I then radioed to the Shift Leader, \_\_\_\_\_ to advise him of the incident. The Shift Leader then notified the RSO TOC and we continued onto venue without further incident.//END//

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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I was the Turret Gunner in the Lead Vehicle, a HMMWV, of our \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade. On the rear doors of our vehicles, in big white letters, it says "WARNING - Stay back 100 meters". This is written in both English and Arabic. There were four other personnel in my vehicle. I was armed with a U. S. Department of State issued' \_\_\_\_\_ file.

At approximately 0925 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ was in route to the Ministry of Oil \_\_\_\_\_ to support , PSD (Protective Security Detail) mission.' \_\_\_\_\_ was traveling bound toward \_\_\_\_\_ in a \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade. The lead vehicle was operating its emergency lights and siren and driving center of the open road. Three cars were observed approaching from the north, traveling south bound toward the motorcade. I began giving verbal and visual signals for the vehicles to pull over to the right side of the roadway and stop. The first 2 cars immediately complied and stopped along the curb. The third car began to decrease speed behind the second parked car. I no longer perceived the third car as a threat, and turned my attention to vehicles approaching our motorcade from a side street. When I turned back toward the front of the motorcade, I observed the third vehicle, a yellow four door taxi, with a mid-20's single male occupant, turning the taxi toward the motorcade and then accelerating. I yelled stop in Arabic and gave visual hand signals to stop. I made eye contact with the male occupant of the taxi who was now approximately 10 feet away from the motorcade. The taxi continued toward our motorcade. I believed the taxi was a direct threat to the motorcade and was in fear for my life and lives of my teammates. I pointed my gun and fired 3 shots at the male occupant in an attempt to stop the threat. At the same time the lead driver tried to avoid a collision with the taxi, and made an evasive maneuver causing me to lose my stable shooting platform. The 3 rounds fired at the taxi fell short hitting the hood directly in front of the driver side windshield on the suspect vehicle. The taxi immediately pulled hard right in front of the first parked car and came to a stop on the curb. I continued to monitor the occupant of the taxi, and observed the male occupant moving around and he appeared to be unharmed. ]Shift Lead, immediate Jim reported the incident to the TOC as we continued our mission.' ~ later returned to \_\_\_\_\_ without further incident or injury.//END///

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 9<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

March 12, 2007



Spot Report-031207-02

Subject: COM TST Team Fires on Two Aggressive Vehicles

**Reporting Office:** R S O TOC - Baghdad

Summary: On 12 March 2007 at approximately 0900 and 1255 hrs, a j ^ j v e S T O M PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) convoy while in support of the pS COM PSD team encountered two aggressive vehicles and used S t a n of force (EOF) to disable them. There were no injune to COM „ e 1 and no COM principals involved in these incidents. All signals S warnings were used as time permitted. The EOF was by the same TST.

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its stopped position towards the TST convoy. The tear

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all warnings, and & fe lraffc j & ^ .f.r & .n ^ two MAM occupants, to the right of the convoy aggressively weaved through stopped traffic at a high rate of speed and headed towards the ~~convoy~~. The rear gunner of the lead vehicle fired a pen flare at approximately, meters but the sedan continued its aggressive approach. The lead gunner of the second vehicle fired **one** ^ round and rear gunner of the lead vehicle also fired one g r o u n d at the grill of the sedan at approximately meters. There was no time for other methods of warning. The sedan came to a complete stop and the driver did not appear to be injured; the status of the passenger was unknown. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.  
Notified DS/CC.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

Drafted By: Roque Salas, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq  
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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganett,

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 12 Mar 07

Time of Incident: 0904

Contractor Involved: Blackwater \_\_\_\_\_ b7E, F

Detail Location of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident Synopsis: On 12 March 2007, at 0904, \_\_\_\_\_ a Tactical Support Team (TST) was comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles was in \_\_\_\_\_ their staging area to support IPD teams. The TST was traveling in a southerly direction when a - ^ W - ^ TM y star, to pass the TST. In an sedan failed to obey several commands to "ztzsZ TM \* \* \* follow vehicle,

escalation of force, hitting the grill \_\_\_\_\_ causin^ it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any com ass<sup>n</sup> or ^ The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

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Date of Report: 12 Mar 07

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 12 Mar 07

Time of Incident: 1230

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident:<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Involved:,

**Incident Synopsis:** On 12 March 2007, at 1230, \_\_\_\_\_ "a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of ^vehicles was in route to their staging area to support IPD teams. The TST was traveling in a "northeasterly direction when a silver sedan approached from an alley to the side of the motorcade. The driver of the sedan failed to obey several commands to stop and aggressively approached the side the TST. In an escalation of force, two \_\_\_\_\_ rounds were fired by the rear gunner and one<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ round was fired by the front gunner. Both individuals were in the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle oTthe TST." All rounds fired impacted the grill area of the sedan causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-QQ043**Required Case Info**

Case Title: 12MAR07 EOF J Team

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

**Categories:**

- GENERAL

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-01218

**Optional Case Info**

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I. INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITY...

**Attachments**

| Title              | Type      | Size     |
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| PSS Statement      | Adobe PDF | 2,717 KB |
| PSS Statement b6   | Adobe PDF | 2,801 KB |
| PSS [statement b7C | Adobe PDF | 2,911 KB |
| PSS Statement      | Adobe PDF | 2,990 KB |
| PSS ^Statement     | Adobe PDF | 3,122 KB |
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**Related Cases****Outstanding Warrants**

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Source Comments:

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## MAP OF INVESTIGATION

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| RS-2007-00103  | 12 MAR 07 bur Team! b7E,F | CASE FINAL                | 23-MAR-07   |
| Case Type      | Program                   | Dates Investigated        |             |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | regional security         | 12 WIIIT - 11 MAR-07      |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status               | Open/Close Case Dates     |             |
| MEDIUM         | CLOSED                    | 23-Jun-2007 - 23-Jun-2007 |             |

## I. INVESTIGATIVE AUTHORITIES

Title 22 USC § 3927, Chief of Mission Authority.

Title 22 USC § 2709, General Authority, DSS Special Agents.

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12 FAM § 220, Investigations & §

## II. SYNOPSIS

On 12 March 2007 at approximately 0900 and 1255 hrs, a vehicle Chief of Mission (COM) Tactical Support Team (TST) encountered two aggressive vehicles and motorcade while in support of the primary COM Personal Security Detail (PSD) team encountered two aggressive vehicles and used escalation of force (EOF) to disable them. There were no injuries to COM personnel in both these incidents. All signals and warnings were used as time permitted. Both engagements involved the same team.

## III. DETAILS

On March 12, 2007, at approximately 0900 hours, a red 4-door sedan with two military age male (MAM) occupants was noticeably parked on the right side of the road as the TST convoy passed by with lights and sirens blaring. The red sedan initially had its wheels turned to the right but as the lead vehicle went past, it abruptly turned left and sped from its stopped position towards the TST convoy. The rear gunner of the lead vehicle fired a pen flare which landed in the front of the sedan. The sedan continued its aggressive approach and the rear gunner of the lead vehicle then fired two rounds at the grill of the fast approaching sedan at approximately meters. The sedan came to a complete stop and the MAM did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident.

On this same date, at approximately 1255 hours, the Iraqi police had stopped traffic and most vehicles on the road yielded to the TST convoy with its lights and sirens blaring. Disregarding all warnings, and the stopped traffic, a silver four-door sedan with two MAM occupants, to the right of the convoy aggressively weaved through stopped traffic at a high rate of speed and headed towards the convoy. The rear gunner of the lead vehicle fired a pen flare at approximately meters but the sedan continued its aggressive approach. The lead gunner of the second vehicle fired one round and rear gunner of the lead vehicle also fired one round at the grill of the sedan at approximately meters. There was no time for other methods of stop and the driver did not appear to be injured; the status of the passenger was not further incident.

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## III. INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS

## A. Compliance with Mission Rules of En^rnarJ

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Approving Official(s):

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The Policy also  
Reporting Agent (RA) Ricardo Gibert reviewed American Embassy Baghdad Mission firearms policy. The Policy also  
provides "Rules of Engagement" for personnel security specialist (PSS) allowing for permissible use of deadly force when:

"all other available means of preventing imminent and grave danger to PSS or other persons have failed or would be likely to fail. Thus, employing deadly force is permissible when there is no safe alternative to using such force, and without it the PSS is not required to place himself or herself, another PSS, or the public or

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See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9.

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"Shooting at a vehicle is authorized if it constitutes the appropriate level of force to mitigate a threat. However, being fired the totality of the circumstances surrounding the situation has to be taken into consideration to include current threat information specifically identifying potential vehicle borne threats, number and nature of occupants in the oncoming vehicle, riding dynamics of the oncoming vehicle, time of day, and current location." See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9

Likewise, the policy specifically provides for the shooting at a vehicle, providing that:

"If the oncoming vehicle presents a threat the agents and PSS are authorized to shoot into the grille / engine compartment to demobilize the vehicle. Agents and PSS are authorized discretion to determine the number of rounds fired into the grille / engine compartment to stop the threat. If the vehicle continues, the escalation of deadly force is authorized to mitigate the threat and prevent the oncoming vehicle from penetrating the motorcade." See Mission Firearms Policy, Pg. 9.

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whiles that were disabled by TST security personnel.

On March 12, 2007, at approximately 1600, RA interviewed the TST Teams members involved. RA believes that TST required to provide written statements. Based solely on the interviews and the statements provided, RA believes that TST stopped the threat that the

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**Sworn Statement**

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| Date<br>March 12, 2007              | Time<br>Approximately 1730 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                  |

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**General Military/Civilian Experience**

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In [redacted] I attended the WPPS II course at Blackwater USA. The training standards mirrored those used by most special agents of the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. I also received training on shooting from a mobile platform, shoot/don't shoot scenarios, as well as, target and threat recognition.

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m ^ o i n ^ ^ i ect support of the US State Department Mission in Baghdad, Iraq. I have been  
S S i l n S that time, I have been further trained on advanced weapons tactics,  
rules of engagement, and escalation of force in accordance with DOS directives.

## Incident

On 12 March 2007 at approximately 0750 hours, I [REDACTED] was given a mission briefing by  
my Shift Leader [REDACTED] and Tactical Commander [REDACTED]. The mission briefing  
included the routes we would drive, the teams we would be supporting and they went over our  
rules of engagement and the escalation of force. We also received an intelligence briefing from our  
embedded Intelligence Analyst.

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On March 12, 2007, I was working as the front turret gunner for the Follow Vehicle. The follow  
vehicle is a white in color Saxon armored vehicle. My vehicle was the last of ~1 car motorcade,  
tasked as a Quick Reaction Force for several teams operating outside of the International Zone in  
Baghdad. At approximately 230 hours, we were on the move from [REDACTED] toward [REDACTED]

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traveling with the emergency lights on, and each vehicle has -WARNING - SB), Back  
100 Meters stenciled in red on the back. The warning is in both English and Arabic and of the  
vehicles also have the same warning painted on the sides. Prior to reaching [REDACTED] we  
approached an alley intersection on the right side of the roadway. I observed an Iraqi Policeman  
(IP) that had stopped traffic from exiting the alley. I then observed a 4 door silver sedan  
approaching the stopped vehicles. The sedan went around the stopped traffic and the IP that was  
motioning him to stop. I yelled "kif", and gave the visual hand signal for the vehicle to stop. The  
vehicle continued around the IP (Iraqi Police), driving on a course headed toward our motorcade.  
I saw a pen flare, that was fired by another team member, hit directly in front of the suspect vehicle.  
The driver of the suspect vehicle had ignored several warnings by me, another team member and  
the Iraqi Police. Other traffic had acknowledged these warnings and yielded to the motorcade.  
Fearing for my life and fearing that this vehicle posed an immediate threat to me and the other  
member of my team; I fired 2 shots into the hood of the vehicle. After [REDACTED]  
fired my rounds I saw that the vehicle had immediately stopped in the middle of the street.  
The driver raised his hands in a sign of acknowledgement [REDACTED] running to the  
continued to scan the area for further threats and noticed a crowd of local nationals running to the  
scene. I advised my Shift Leader of the shot to disable our inter-team radio. We continued on  
our mission and arrived at the Ministry of Interior without further incident. //END//

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# DECLARATION

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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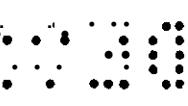
Subscribed and sworn to before me on this ~~13<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.~~

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>12 March 2007               | Time<br>Approx. 1745 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp, Baghdad Iraq |                            |

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby make the following statement at the request of

Karen Hammoud, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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On 12 March 2007 at approximately 0750 hours, my Shift Leader C \_\_\_\_\_ and Tactical Commander \_\_\_\_\_ ^ i ^ n d they went over our included the routes we would drive, the teams we would rules of engagement and the escalation of force. A briefg fm ar lot 10~7C-

embedded Intelligence Analyst. was assigned as the driver of the Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV). We departed the position of all vehicle

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yieidhgand X ^ S £ « S « » ^ ^ -meters behind the lead vehicle.

^ observed a red car, with the driver's side window open and driven by a military age male with one passenger, pull to the side of the road and stop. Afte' ouMwd veh^e began 100 feet past the red car, the suspect vehicle turned te wheels> toward the rear turret to accelerate towards it. I activated my - ^ ^ a S v a a ^ e ^ n d s TgLI to stop and then fired gunner of the lead vehicle, f i >mmece tejyg^ the travel towards the lead a pen flare at the ground in front of the red car. The car cortmjea t vehicle. I believed the vehicle was attempting to drive into the. e. a rounds o m his r - i n to the fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. J Tirea ^ front portion of the hood of the red car.

The red car came to an immediate stop. The ^ S S ^ S S b ' s e S S as much distance as possible between the motorcade and ap I to be uninjured. No ~ WiC.P  
ins s r s a s s « r w - « S a p - w e coninued our mission and on to the staging location without further incident.//END//

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 11 day of March, 2007.

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| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I, [redacted] b6 b7c, hereby make the following statement at the request of

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criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly ^ Z m n l y ^ r o ^ e false statements or information, I  
may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree  
that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in  
the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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In [redacted], I attended the Blackwater USA Department of State WPPS II Course, where I  
received extensive training in all aspects of [redacted] in a high threat  
environment. This training included the use of [redacted] shooting from a moving  
platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and photo [redacted] rations. The training standards mirrored  
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Took scenarios, marksmanship, and long range marksmanship.

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## REGULARISATION

Since \_\_\_\_\_ have been deployed to Baghdad, Iraq as part of the Blackwater USA WPPS c^rara O^partment of State and as a member of \_\_\_\_\_; Tact: «ISyFForLesam. ^^

During this time, I have served as a fire team member and a— conducted numerous missions in support of PSD teams.

## incident

fire-team [REDACTED] in the lead Mamba. We were providing direct support for [REDACTED] movement to the Ministry of Interior and Ministry of Oil. We received our pre-mission brief on the routes, intelligence, use of force, and the rules of engagement. The briefing was conducted by our Shift Leader [REDACTED], 1 [REDACTED] (Tactical Commander) prior to our departure from [REDACTED] the command vehicle, the staging area. The briefing included threats of VBIEDs (vehicle borne improvised explosive devices) against coalition forces and PSD (Protective Security Detail) motorcades operating in and

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around Baghdad.

We departed from FOB Justice at approximately 1200 hours. We were providing coverage for  
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motorcars S ^ f f i S S emergency lights and sirens on to alerts^jco our presence.  
Also, the vehicle equipped air horns were activated as we approached intersect^Our  
motorcade traveled southeast on Haifa Street, and then made a turn at

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jd t:ravei to the intersection of Sh^ly, after driving onto the bridge, I observed the W M At this time, command vehicle, rear turret gunner, The West side of the bridge preventing vehicles from approaching the rear of our motorcade. we were approximately 200 to 300 meters from P wafnoSowing vhtetes to drive onto the bridge while our " « ; ^ ^ J S ^ K When we crossed the bridge, our Shift Leader' The suspect vehicle continued past blatantly disregard the IP's attempt to stop the vehicle. The suspect vehicle continued past suspicious, Iraqi male monitoring our motorcade from The vehicle was traveling on a direct path stopped traffic and was attempting to gain control of it. This is when about the threat approaching from our down the side street that I merged from the gunner. This is when observed a grey, 4-door vehicle toward our motorcade! I merged from the gunner. This is when observed a grey, 4-door vehicle right oriented himself toward the threat, and proceeded to shout Stop in Arabic. ^

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flare bounce in front of the vehicle. The suspect vehicle ignored jverbal, visual ana pen  
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fire^two rounds into the grill of the suspect vehicle in an attempt to hit the Simultaneously, the follow vehicle, lead turret gunner,\* also fired two rounds at the area of the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle immediately came to a stop approximately 30 meters away from our motorcade.

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, observed the two male occupants moving around inside the vehicle and I ^ j \* the M™ ^ of  
injuries. JDurmotorcade then proceeded through the area JeL and on the International  
Interior^ J where we staged for follow on missions. / —.later reurnea iu the International  
Zone without further incident.///END///; b7 e,r-

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| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

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On March 12, 2007 at 0750 day was to provide direct and indirect tactical support for our unit. We covered the routes we would be using and to state Mission Firearms Policy. We were also briefed on Use of Force and briefed on escalation of force. ^ iv ^ a ^ time we were advised of recent attacks on coalition forces. Possible VBIEDs (vehicle borne improvised explosive devices) attacks were also highlighted with two or less occupants. Upon completion of the brief, we departed our staging area to support the day's missions.

On March 12, 2007 at approximately 1245 hours local time, I was assigned to the command vehicle (TST) ^ mrru^ M^ Q S - northeast ^ ^ We had d<sup>1</sup> traveling toward, ^ direct support of movement.

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As our motorcade proceeded over <sup>A</sup> <sup>r^</sup> i «O approached an intersection on our right (east side) <sup>A</sup>, the lead gunner in my

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of the road) prior to reaching! \_\_\_\_ Pro to^rewung bujdjng ^ Qur 11 0, d k  
vehicle notified me that there was a ?us Pjc<sup>A</sup> »man on ^ on OUR motorcade,  
position (left side of the road). The m a t e a p p e a r ^ ^ J s and was looking down at the  
I picked up that sector and observe? that the man WAS SUPP. ^ ^ with mark.ng  
intersection. About this time the first<sup>A</sup> f t h a i s a v co J vehicle had<sup>A</sup> WARNING! STAY BACK 100 METERS", both  
signs on the side and back of our v e h i c l e s b u r emergency lights and sirens on,  
in English and Arabic. Our motorcade was also^traveling wim^ intersection, the fire team  
and using air horn to alert traffic to o f P ^ e ^ s » ^ P ^ ^ yelleed out 'Vehicle

member in my vehicle.P ~ Police officer (IP) stopping several cars at the  
riah" I then turned around and s^w an Iraqi Ponce on o« X ; d {he other  
intersection.. obse.ed a silver a n d j.j « M - \* o r ^ ^ ? f ^ KIFF." twice, whi.e at the  
cars), with two male occupants ^ ? W " TM S The driver continued in the direction of the  
same time as I was giving the hand sgnal to stop, me ^ .. ^ the ^ ^ where the ^  
motorcade disregarded so I fired a penflare, ^ k \* ^ Ticle\* sti.. q . and he was about  
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meters away from our convoy and had enough time to react to the situation. I transitioned to my  
of the Iraqi Police. At this point I was in fear of my life and my team, so I transitioned to my vehicle in an

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the vehicle in an attempt to disable the\* suspect\*vehiicle\* The 'sifefield'vehicle then immediately stopped in its place. There were no injuries observed to the members of The Shift!Leader made the appropriate notifications and learn continued on mission without further incident.

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I, KoAy /-Artmova, hereby make the following statement at the request of , who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of T official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct; per part of the Department's performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including termination, may be undertaken. I refuse to provide this Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken. I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I agree for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree

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General Military and Civilian Experience

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In<sup>1</sup> ^ I was invited to the WPPS II vetting process at BISCMCter Headquarters in MoyociTNC. Upon completion of the course, I became an Independent Security Contractor with Blackwater 'in' ^, I was assigned to team ^ (a PSD team) here in Baghdad and operated as such executing multiple missions on numerous venues through out metropolitan Baghdad. In late/ ^ I switched to the Tactical Support Team (TST) Team ^, which later split to become ^ since joining the team, I have been in the lead vehicle and served as Fire Team member, Driver and Turret Gunner.

## Incident

On 12 March 2007 at approximately 0750 hours, I was given a mission briefing by my Shift Leader and Tactical Commander. The mission briefing included the routes we would drive, the teams we would be supporting and they went over our rules of engagement and the escalation of force. We also received an intelligence briefing from our embedded Intelligence Analyst.

On the morning of March 12th 2007, I was riding in the rear turret off (Mamba)^n support off — IPSD mission in Baghdad, Iraq. At \_\_\_\_\_ we had just crossed \_\_\_\_\_ heading east bound when we approached! The e was Iraqi Police (IP) present at the intersection directing traffic. The IP's held traffic for us as we made a right turn to head south of \_\_\_\_\_. After the lead vehicle had completed the turn, we could see that the entire right side of the street in the north bound lanes were lined with Iraqi Army and Police vehicles. At the time, we had sirens and flashing lights activated to alert traffic of our presence which the locals acknowledged by pulling over to the right side of the street. Add JonaNy, our vehicles have the words, "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled in both English and Arabic on the rear of our vehicles.

Our lead vehicle heading south now, after making the turn I noticed a red 4 door sedan as it accelerated from the right side of the road out into the middle of the road approximately 50 meters in front of our motorcade. At this time r (front gunner lead veh.de) used verbal and hand / arm signals to alert the vehicle to pull back over to the side of the road. A very loud air horn on the lead vehicle was also used to warn the sedan to pull back over to the right side of the road. The 4 door sedan complied and pulled back over to the right. After the lead vehicle passed the suspect vehicle, I could see that the occupants were 2 males. There was 1 passenger in his late 20's and a driver in his late 30's or early 40's. I then made eye contact with the passenger and he starred right at me. They were completely aware of the motorcade's presence.

As the lead continued on and the second vehicle in our motorcade began to come along the side of the suspect vehicle, I saw the wheels of the 4 door sedan turn back towards the road and the vehicle started to pull out. At this time the lead vehicle was about 10 meters in front of the suspect vehicle and I motioned with my hand I arm to stop and yelled several times "Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic) The vehicle continued to accelerate towards the rear of our lead vehicle I deployed a pen flare at this time which impacted a few feet in front of the vehicle. The driver of the suspect vehicle appeared to look straight at the impact of the pen flare. It had no affect and the vehicle continued accelerating towards our motorcade.

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I pointed my weapon at the driver himself but that warning was completely ignored as well. I could see the driver looking right at me as he accelerated. It was at that time that I was in fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. I believed that the suspect vehicle was in fact a VBIED that was attempting to detonate in either the middle of our motorcade or next to the local military and Iraqi Police vehicles staged across the street. Both of which are common targets for VBIED's.

I immediately fired two rounds in order to disable the threat. The first round struck the hood right above the grille and the second in the center of the hood. The vehicle immediately pulled over to the side of the road. There were no signs of injury to the occupants of the suspect vehicle. I then notified my Vehicle Commander via internal communications who in turn notified the Shift Leader [redacted]. No injuries were sustained by [redacted] team members nor were our vehicles damaged in any way. We continued on our mission without further incident.//END//

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| Blackwater USA                    | After Action Report (AAR) |                               | Date/Time of Statement<br>-12 March 2007-1800 hours |
| Name<br><i>b6<br/>loIC</i>        | Team<br><i>ISX</i>        | Situation<br>Shoot to Disable |                                                     |
| Location/Venue<br><i>Vicinity</i> | <i>»»' * * * »»</i>       | <i>Front OccStrd</i>          | Date Occurred<br><b>12 March 2007</b>               |

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On 12 March 2007, [ ] conducted [ ] pre mission brief for the day's run. The mission brief included an intelligence brief given by our imbedded intelligence analyst, a detailed brief of all the teams operating in the red zone, and ending with the rules of engagement and levels of force per State Department Mission Firearms Policy.

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At approximately 1230 hours on the 12 of March 2007, [ ] was in direct support of [ ] at the Ministry of Interior and [ ] at the Ministry of Oil [ ]. [ ] was in the vicinity to provide tactical support and evacuation of wounded in an event that either team were attacked by anti-coalition forces. [ ] was headed east-bound on [ ] towards [ ] comprised of a [ ] vehicle motorcade. All [ ] of the vehicles had their lights and sirens activated as they approached the intersection. Additional [ ] all of the vehicles had the words, "Warning, stay back KK) meters" stenciled on the back and some sides of the vehicles in both English and Arabic. [ ] approached the intersection at a slow and controlled pace through stopped traffic.

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A^ [ ] cautiously traveled east-bound on [ ] towards [ ]. the Shift Leader [ ] noticed a man inside a window of a 5 story building (left side of the road) observing [ ] motorcade as they passed. [ ] (immediately notified all [ ] members over the intern^ communications. The turret gunners cautiously scanned their areas of responsibility. As [ ] and [ ] Vehicle cleared [ ] they noticed an Iraqi Policeman (IP) that had traffic stopped all traffic in a large alleyway to the right side of the main road [ ] "was traveling. As the [ ] vehicle (Command vehicle) in [ ] motorcade passed the alley way, [ ] (fire team member in Command vehicle) was facing towards the alley and noticed a silver 4 door sedan with two male occupants. The suspect vehicle disregarded an Iraqi Policeman's hand and arm gestures and swerved around the policeman on a collision course with the [ ] vehicle of [ ] motorcade. All other vehicles in the alleyway were stopped and obeying the IP's instructions. The vehicle in question continued to accelerate towards [ ] motorcade. The suspect vehicle was approximately [ ] meters away before the rear turret gunner of the command vehicle [ ] vehicle) [ ] used hand / arm signals and shouted "Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic. The suspect vehicle ignored the signals given by F [ ] then deployed a bright green pen flare which impacted approximately 10 feet directly in front of the suspect vehicle. The driver of the fast approaching vehicle again ignored the clearly visible impact of the pen flare. By this time, [ ] could see the driver of the suspect vehicle looking directly at him. [ ] stated that he was in fear for his life and that of his teammates. [ ] quickly transitioned to his State Department Issued [ ] and pointed it directly at the suspect vehicle as a final warning to stop. The vehicle continued to accelerate closer to the motorcade.

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[ ] then fired 2 well aimed shots into the grill and hood of the approaching vehicle. [ ] (lead turret follow vehicle) simultaneously fired two well aimed shots to the grill and front hood of the suspect vehicle. The vehicle immediately came to a stop approximately 25 meters from [ ] motorcade. The IP began to shout at the suspect vehicle. The driver raised his hands in a surrenderring manner. No injuries were observed. No injuries or vehicle damage were incurred by [ ]. The Shift leader notified the RSO TOC via [ ] radio and followed up with cell phone with a more detailed report. [ ] continued with the day's mission without further incident. //END//

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad



March 13, 2007

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**Spot Report 031307- 01**

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**Subject: IED attack on COM PSD team****Reporting Office: RSO Al-Hillah**

Summary: At approximately 1145 hours a RSO PSD team was returning to the REO compound when the motorcade was hit by an IED. The PSD team had been conducting live fire training at the Armor Group range, located approximately three kilometers from the REO. The J vehicle motorcade had been on venue for approximately four hours prior to the incident. The motorcade had just departed the venue, traveling north on an improved two lane roadway when an IED detonated on the left side of the road. The team leader conducted an immediate assessment of the situation and relayed the situation to the RSO TOC. All of the vehicles in the motorcade remained operational and the stand-by QRF team was not requested. The team continued without further incident to the REO compound for a damage assessment and debrief. The lead Suburban suffered a moderate amount of damage to include the windshield ballistic glass and the driver's side window glass. All personnel have been accounted for and returned to the REO, there were no COM injuries/casualties.

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**RSO Action:** RSO has debriefed key team members and written statements have been completed. RSO is communicating with Iraqi security officials to gather additional information. Hillah Home Guard personnel have been dispatched to determine info inatnijDU f tftnthe steflg of i/f& incident.

DRAFTED BY: Thomas Murray, RSO Al-Hillah

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## INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

**Date of Report:** 13 Mar 07

**Location:** 3 km South of Hilla ftEOi : : » \* . \* . ! . : : :

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Anthony Sanganetti

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander

**Date of Incident:** 13 Mar 07

**Time of Incident:** 1145

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** 38S MA 4695 9777

**Personnel Involved:** !

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**Incident Synopsis:** At approximately 1145 hours a Hilla BW Team operating in a vehicle motorcade was returning to the REO compound from the Armor Group Range when the motorcade was hit by an IED. The team had been conducting live fire training at the Armor Group Range which is located approximately three kilometers from the REO. The motorcade departed the range and was traveling north when an IED detonated on the left side of the road. All of the vehicles in the motorcade remained operational and the team continued to the REO without further incident. The lead Suburban sustained moderate damage to the windshield, driver's side window glass doors/fenders, hood and front lights. There were no COM injuries/casualties.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**



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| TITLE                                          |                             | DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER              |                             |
| COM PSD (Kirkuk) Deploys on Aggressive Vehicle |                             | 2007 - Kirkuk (Incident 2)                  |                             |
| TRUE NAME<br>N/A                               |                             | CASE TYPE<br>Use of Force                   |                             |
| POST<br>Kirkuk                                 | DATE REPORTED<br>03-13-2007 | DATES INVESTIGATED<br>03/13/2007-03/14/2007 | REPORTING AGENT<br>RSO Rowe |

## SYNOPSIS

Summary: On March 13, 2007, at approximately 1345 hrs, a COM PSD, < \_\_\_\_\_> enroute from Al-Sulmamya, to the Kirkuk REO, deployed smoke on a vehicle after determining that the vehicle posed an immediate threat to their motorcade. This use of force was appropriate and within the parameters of DS use-of-force policy. Injuries to the two occupants in the vehicle were possible, but not observed. End Summary.

The following chain of events is derived from the statements provided by the team members involved in the shooting:

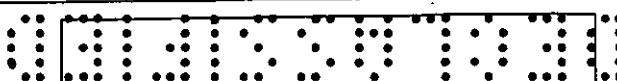
1. A PSD motorcade enroute to Kirkuk from Al-Sulmamya and were approximately 40 kms south of Al-Sulmamya. After passing through a police checkpoint, the well gunner f ~ J noticed a gray four door sedan approaching the motorcade the rear of the motorcade with it's headlights on and at \_\_\_\_\_ meters, turned it's headlights off and continued to approach the motorcade at a high rate of speed. b7
2. At \_\_\_\_\_ meters, the well gunner began using hand and arm signals and his spotlight to waive off the advancing vehicle to no avail. At approximately ^ meters out from the motorcade, the well gunner deployed one smoke. \_\_\_\_\_ ^deploying smoke was the best option versus firing a shot from \_\_\_\_\_. b7
3. The gray sedan then came to a stop and the occupants of the vehicle did not appear to be harmed. The motorcade continued to the Kirkuk REO. Case Closed.

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

March 14, 2007

Spot Report-031407- 02

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires Aggressive Vehicle

COM PSD Deploys Smoke on Aggressive Vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Kirkuk

**Summary:** On 13 March 2007, at approximately 1315 hours a COM PSD Advance unit en-route to the Kirkuk REO from Al-Sulmamya (30 kms west of Al-Sulmamya) was traveling in the south bound lane, when the well gunner in the follow vehicle noticed an orange and white taxi approximately 200 meters back and closing in fast on the motorcade. The well gunner identified a male driver as well as several other passengers. The well gunner called out that he was using his flashlight and hand and arm signals to signal the driver to back off. The well gunner then called out that he had deployed a water bottle. At approximately^ meters, the well gunner identified the left rear passenger who was slumped down and was rolling down his window. At /meters, the right rear gunner opened his door attempting to waive off the rear when the taxi moved to come along side of the follow car. At this point, the well gunner called out that he was firing and fired one round into the grill of the taxi.

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The taxi came to a halt on the side of the road and then proceeded back on the road and approached the motorcade again at a high rate of speed. At the 200-250 meter mark, the well gunner and follow car driver called out that the rear passenger \*\*\* hiding \* ^ g . shi ^ o ^ ct . o ^ de . h i s window. At

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this time, the motorcade neared a checkpoint and began losing sight of the taxi which subsequently faded away in the distance.

Several minutes later Ma^Jb fli^tr s^-vit&'t^ifoifeoccupants approached the rear of the motorcade with it's headlights on and at approximately f~/neters, turned off its headlights and continued to, approach the motorcade at a high rate of speed. At the Ljmeter point, the well gunner began signaling with his spotlight and used hand and arm signals for the sedan to slow down. The well gunn» then deployed a water bottle which did not slow the sedan down. At the ^Jmeter mark, the well gunner deployed one smoke grenade J" ~~~

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[redacted] deploying smoke was'the best option! The sedan then came to a complete stop. In both incidents, there appeared to be no injuries.

**RSO Action:** PSD members were debriefed and provided statements. RSO will complete a ROI.

**Location:** Approximately 30 - 40 kms west of Al-Sulmaniya, Iraq

Drafted By: James "Chance" Rowe, RSO Kirkuk  
Cleared by: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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**Incident-Casualty Report**

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**REPORTING INFORMATION**

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|-----------------------|-------------------------------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------------------|
| INCIDENT DATE/TIME:   | 1316hrs,<br>13-Mar-07                     | INCIDENT LOCATION: | The vicinity of _____ code: between _____ |
| TOTAL # PERSONNEL:    | TT                                        | KIA:               | None                                      |
| WIA:                  | None                                      |                    |                                           |
| INCIDENT DESCRIPTION: | Escalation of Force, Shoot to disable, CO |                    |                                           |
| REPORTED BY:          | Shift Leaderj                             | METHOD:            |                                           |
| POINT OF CONTACT:     | TEL#:                                     |                    |                                           |

**VICTIM INFORMATION**

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|------------------------|-----|--------------|-----|
| NAME (LAST, FIRST MI): | N/A |              |     |
| SSN:                   | N/A | NEXT OF KIN: | N/A |
| NATIONALITY:           | Unk | M/F:         | Unk |
| PASSPORT:              | Unk | ISSUED/EXP:  | Unk |
| NATIONALITY:           | Unk | BLOOD TYPE:  | Unk |
| INJURIES:              | Unk |              |     |
| STATUS:                | Unk |              |     |
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| HOME OF RECORD:        | Unk | NEXT OF KIN: | Unk |

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On 13 Mar 07, at approximately 1316 hrs, was en cpute back to the REO, Kirkuk from Sulaymaniyah. The motorcade consisted of vehicles. I noticed a rieve»foo<fel white arMoiartgS ^ ^ » c ^ the rear of the motorcade at a high rate of spe^sl?

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The vehicle staved to the rear at approx 200 meters for 1 minute and then proceeded closer to the motorcade a higher rate of speed (approx 80mph). I was sitting in the rear well gunner pos.t.on and Worth si S teaderi j and right rear r j that the vehicle was approaching.

i attomntori to cttn the vehicle bv flashing our spot light / my personal surefire flashlight / gave him hand L'a S ^ the vehicle. When the vehicle closed to ^ e t e r s noticed an additional ^ i X ^ ^ u m p « ! down in the left rear side of the vehicle that started to roll the wndow down at a rapid pace.

When the vehicle approached to »thin' meters the vehicle swerved to the right and attempted to pass, I put my front sight on the grill of the vehicle and fired 1 round which s,omp ,he brakes and pull over on the shoulder.

ThP vPhicle stooed for approx 30 seconds and pulledouton the road and regained speed. The vehicle Layed around 250 meters to our rear and myself/and^noticed the rear passenger sticking a long sh.ny object out of his window which could not be positively identified.

Eventually the taxi faded from sight and was not seen again.

#### 2<sup>nd</sup> incident

After enga...n, ho (rcr, phirip a second vehicle joined the taxi behind our motorcade and proceeded toward our vehicle at a high rate of speed. Vehicle was a grey colored 4 door sedan with two male occupants.

At 1349 the vehicle closed to within" meters of our motorcade despite me flashing him with both my spotlight and personal flashlight andgiving the vehicle hand signals to stop.

At 1350 we wereat! appoa hi neared ou^ japproaching! Swhen the vehicle kept originallyvhad his headfghtl^Wthen turned them off as he got o wUhn a p' o xrpeters popped a smoke grenade and threw it in them^dlecM UieToad. Thevehicle slowed and pu.led off onto the shoulder without further incdent.

In both incidents no injuries to drivers or occupants of either vehicle were observed.

| ADDITIONAL VICTIM INFORMATION |              |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| NAME (LAST, FIRST MI): N/A    |              |
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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

March 14, 2007



Spot Report - 031407- 03

**Subject:** COM TST Fires on an Aggressive Vehicle  
 COM TST Attacked with SAF

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 14 March 2007 at 0920, a(7,,I vehicle COM PSD Tactical Support Team (TST) convoy while in support of the primary COM PSD team encountered one aggressive vehicle and used escalation of force (EOF) to disable it. At 1020, the same TST was attacked with small arms fire (SAF) while staged in support of the primary COM PSD team. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no COM principals involved in these incidents.

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0920. The TST was turning left into a forward operating base (FOB) with    vehicles already past the entrance and the    vehicles waiting to turn when a silver-gray mini-van with one military age male (MAM) occupant was observed weaving through stopped traffic at approximately 150 meters away. The rear turret gunner of the last vehicle gave hand and verbal signals for the mini-van to stop. The van continued its aggressive approach and at approximately   imeters, the rear turret gunner fired a pen flare that bounced in front of the van and hit the windshield. The van did not slow down and continued its approach towards the convoy. At approximately   "meters, the rear turret gunner fired two'   jrounds into the grill of the van and the van came to a complete<sup>^</sup>sto<sup>^</sup> The MAM

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raised his hands and did not appear to be injured. The COM TST continued the mission without further incident.

**1020.** The [ ] vehicles of the TST were parked (facing north) close to and parallel to T-walls when two rounds of SAF from the east impacted near their vehicles. The rear turret gunner took a defensive position, peered over the T-walls and returned fire with ten 7 Zi rounds aimed at the direction of the muzzle flash coming from a two-story building 75 meters away. Simultaneously, the TST was engaged with automatic SAF approximately 200 meters from the south by two MAM. The rear turret gunner returned fire with 20 [ ] rounds but unable to determine its effect on the assailants. There was no damage to the TST vehicles.  
The COM TST continued the mission without further incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

**Drafted By:** Roque Salas, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq

**Cleared By:** Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Dfltp. of Report: 14 Mar. 07

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_ \*

## Task Order: 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Anthony Sanganetti

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander

**Date of Incident:** 14 Mar 07

**Time of Incident:** 0920

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

#### **Detail Location of Incident**

#### **Personnel Involved:**

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**Incident Synopsis:** On 14 March 2007, at 0920, a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of vehicles was in route to their staging area to support IPD teams. The TST was on Route attempting to turn into FOB Independence when they encountered heavy traffic congestion. While the TST was stopped in traffic a grey mini van aggressively approached the rear of the motorcade. The driver of the van failed to obey several commands<sup>stop and</sup> continued to aggressively approach the TST. In an escalation of force, two rounds were fired by the rear gunner of the TST follow vehicle. Both rounds impacted the area of the van causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N / A

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**Date of Report:** 14 Mar 07

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**Location:****Task Order/TfT****Person Releasing Report:** Anthony Sanganetti**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander**Date of Incident:** 14 Mar 07**Time of Incident:** 1023**Contractor Involved:** Black water

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**Detail Location of Incident:** FOB Independence Vic**Personnel Involved:**

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**Incident Synopsis:** On 14 March 2007, at 1023, >\_\_\_\_\_, a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of \_\_\_\_ vehicles was staged at FOB Independence to support JPD Teams. While staged, the TST received small arms fire (SAF) from a building on Route\\_\_\_\_\_, adjacent to \\_\_\_\_\_ land also from two (2) individuals on the ground within the FOB perimeter. One (1) TST gunner engaged the area of muzzle flash from the building expending 15-30[ \_\_\_\_] rounds. Due to the placement of the TST vehicles they were unable to engage the individuals within the FOB compound. The TST evacuated from the FOB and restaged at another location to continue their support missions. There were no injuries to COM personnel and despite SAF rounds impacting one vehicle, there was no damage to COM assets or vehicles. The team continued their mission without further incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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## **SYNOPSIS**

On 14 March >007 members of a Chief of Mission Personal Protective Detail fired two rounds from Oe at j t S S ^ S l h « were no injuries to COM personnel and no apparent injuncs to the dnvcr of the suspect vehicle. This incident was within U.S. Embassy Baghdad's Use of Force policy.

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When the team finished it's duties that day the individuals Evolved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where 1 interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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I who was in the Turret Gunner position and the only one to fire his weapon, told me the following. He sa^ th.t w K e enterin« an Irâqi controiled Forward Operating Base (FOB) the vehicles became temporanly bonle-necked and jopped outs.de the e Ce waiting to enter, traffic on the roadway had «topped approximately 200 meters behmd the motorcade.

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At the time of the shooting a silver minivan with a single male occupant pulled passed the stopped traffic and began to approach the motorcade. began to give audible and visual signals for the vehicle to stop, but it continued to approach the motorcade. Titus fired a pen flare at the vehicle in order to draw the driver's attention to the need to stop. The pen flare struck the ground in front of the approaching vehicle and then bounced up, striking the vehicle's windshield. The dner still dia not yield.

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As the vehicle continued toward the stopped motorcade, Hrnnah hisl ion target and fired two rounds into the engine block of the vehicle, which by this time was approximately meters away. The vehicle then coasted to a stop. The driver appeared to be uninjured and stayed in the vehicle with his hands up.

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(It should be noted that the military was attacked by a Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device in this same location on March 12\ 2007.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This escalation of force incident is within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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## **Sworn Statement**

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| Date<br>14 March 2007                       | Tinte<br>Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br><br>WPPS Man Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                             |

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.hereby make the following statement at the request of

, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, DPPS  
• f ctnto nininmatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

In<sup>1</sup> — 11 accepted a contract with Blackwater USA. I received extensive weapons training on the »<sup>1</sup> acceptace, so received training in shoot/no shoot scenarios, target protection. I served on numerous PSD teams. From <sup>\*</sup> de operations, to present, I have been s <sup>1</sup> y working as a contractor for Blackwater USA.

11 attended the WPPS II training at Blackwater USA. I received more training on the  
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Security Services. I am currently assigned to the Tact, cai Support Team (TST)J

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On 14 March at approximately 0830 hours, [ ] a pre-mission brief. The brief was given by my Shift Lead and included a detailed list of the [ ] Years that we would be supporting in the Red Zone. The pre-mission brief included an updated intelligence report for the day, the rules of engagement per the mission firearm policy, escalation of force, and threats to the routes utilized by the [ ] teams. Intelligence for the day also included recent information regarding an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) that detonated directly in front of FOB Independence where we were intending to stage.

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On March 14, 2007 at approximately 0920 hours, our motorcade was north of [ ] and we were making a left turn on R [ ] Independence. I was assigned to the rear Turret of the [ ] vehicle.

/ Our vehicles were driving with the emergency lights on and the HF antenna using the air horn to alert traffic of our presence. All the vehicles had the words "Warning-Stay Back 100 Meters" stenciled in English and Arabic on the back of the vehicles. Traffic had stopped, and all Local National (LN) vehicles were holding a distance of approximately 100 meters away in compliance with my verbal, and visual signals.

I observed a grey van with one male occupant cutting through traffic and traveling toward my vehicle. The vehicle was traveling at approximately 50 mph. I gave verbal and visual commands for the vehicle to stop. The driver of the vehicle disregarded my verbal and visual hand signals and continued toward our motorcade at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was an imminent threat to me and my team. When the vehicle was approximately 10 meters from my vehicle, he fired a pen gun in an attempt to get the vehicle to stop. The pen flare skipped off the pavement and bounced up hitting the suspect vehicle's windshield. The vehicle did not slow and the driver showed no intent he was going to stop the vehicle. The driver appeared to be looking straight at me.

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Fearing for my life and that of my teammates, I raised my Department of State issued pointing it towards the suspect vehicle in an attempt to get the driver to acknowledge me, and to stop his vehicle. I gave the driver ample time after firing the pen flare to either stop or slow down which he did not do? The vehicle was now approximately 5 meters from my vehicle. I felt I had no other course of action so I fired two shots into the suspect vehicle's grill in an attempt to disable the vehicle and stop the threat to our motorcade. At this time, the driver of the suspect vehicle came to a complete stop and raised his hands in the air in a surrendering fashion.

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I continued to monitor the driver ^ tfcicsyepsct vp^ic]8.a§^e.p^®e{J fcita fjapds back on the steering wheel and pulled to the right side. 5>f Jie toac^a^Wefy frOmfcflr n^ttccfidfi. Once the vehicle came to a complete stop, I observed the driver again raising his hands in the air. I saw that the driver was not injured and there were no other passengers in the van. I reported the incident to my Shift Leader through internal communications. No \_\_\_\_\_ personnel were injured nor were any vehicles damaged. We continued into FOB Independence without further incident where we staged for follow on missions. //END//

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Signed                  |           |
| Printed                 |           |
| Address                 | b6<br>b7C |
| WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |           |

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007:

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| Signed  |
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Date  
14 March 2007

Time  
Approx. 1700 hours

Location  
WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq

I —^ ^c hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of \_\_\_\_\_ regarding potential misconduct or improper dismissal from the Department's <sup>r</sup> <sup>f</sup> <sup>or S</sup> <sup>-V</sup> <sup>undertaken if, r6fUSe \* r ^ this</sup> <sup>at f m e n S do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a proceeding to which I may be called as a witness. I will truthfully provide false statements or information, I</sup> <sup>in T b e S i m X ^ ^ r ^ ^ u^nB</sup> United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Civilian Experience

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High Threat Protection course WPPS II conducted at Blackwater

VinTna c S ^ T h e training standards mirrored those used to train Agents of the US State's Diplomatic Security Service. I received training in threat recognition, target shooting, Shooting from a moving platform, operating as a member of a motorcade detail, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations. I am currently assigned to <sup>b7E,F</sup> 12155 ^ Iraq, toal Support Te^MO sup pf^tIS pe^rtme^ of. Slatte Mission in Iraq.

## Incident

On 14 March, 2007 prior to departing the International Zone (IZ), we conducted a pre-mission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of all teams that we would be supporting during the day, and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the current threat of VBIED's (Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices) in the vicinity of FOB Independence.

At approximately 0905 hours, we departed Check Point [ ] in support of [ ] and [ ], which would be operating in the vicinity of FOB Independence where we would be staging in support. b7E, F While traveling north on Route [ ] shortly after passing through [ ], our vehicle motorcade was making a left turn into FOB Independence. Traffic W s S F i S d'fronts holding at a complete stop to facilitate our ent^ into the FOB.

A . this time, a grey van traveling at a high ^ « ^ ^ v ^ y ^ . ^ M T ^ > C o the rear of our motorcade. The ^r « u n n e commands for the stenciled n S e n in both English and Arabic, and vfeul commands. As the vehicle approached The driver of the van disregarded our commands fired a Pen flare in front of , he a P Proaching susp!ot, ^ ^ T i S ^ ^ r t t a S S S ^ ^ T i S i l ^ and struck the windshield of the suspect vehicle. i ^ I W ^ W v e h i o f t h e e . The grey van continued to advance toward our motorcade without slowing. The driver disregarded all previous warnings.

firpH 2 shots info the drill of the van in an attempt to disable the vehicle The driver began to fired 2 shots into me a "TM" brake hard and came to a complete stop. The driver , b@h f his hands in the air as if surrendering. There were no apparent injuries to the driver. No further shots were fired once the dri np

- T ^ \* ^ \* \* ^ WFOB without further incident and staged for our follow on miss,ons.///END///

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>14 March 2007                   | Time<br>Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br><br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the \_\_\_\_\_.

"^j^Depailmentof State, Diplomats Security ^ i : S S S S S ^ " furtherance of an official a d m i s t r ^ , ^ from the Department's performance of official duties and t h a t ^ ^ ^ ? S n d e r t e k e n if I refuse to provide th.s Worldwide Personnel that neither my statements nor statement or fail to do so fully and ^ ^ M t ^ ^ can be used against me in a any information or evidence gained by reason of my s . s r o v i d e f a l s e m e n t s o r R a t i o n . 1 criminal proceeding, except that. f l k ^ n g l ^ w j i w . y p ^ Cod6i Section 1001. I agree may be criminally prosecuted for that act.on under i«« frQm be used in that the statements I furnish ^ ^ ^ ^ action, including dismissal, the course of disciplinary proceedings, which couia resu w

General Military/Civilian Experience \_\_\_\_\_

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In \_\_\_\_\_, I completed training for the World Wide Personal Protection Service (WPPS), at Blackwater USA. This training included; weapons training, threat assessment and target recognition (shoot / don't shoot) and shooting from a moving platform.

incident onn7 I attended a pre-mission brief given by the Shift Leader. At approximate« g W f f ! ! ^ of engagement, load plans and intelligence updates were given aspa.1 of the p^miiion brief. I was assigned as the Saxon of our Vehicle motorcade formation.

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We traveled Northbound on Route A, approximately 0900 hours. During the pre-mission brief, I advised all intel that there was intelligence of recent Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) attacks in the area of [REDACTED]. In the recent Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) attacks in the area of [REDACTED] In the recent Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) attacks in the area of [REDACTED] we have received small arms fire from rooftops and higher windows while we were parked [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Se FOB Independence. Once insdejhe^rward Operating Base (FOB), [REDACTED]

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At approximately 1000 hours, our motorcade was parked [REDACTED] was standing behind the follow Saxon with [REDACTED] At approximately 1025 hours, two shots were fired over our heads from the east [REDACTED] acToss Route [REDACTED] "w the impacts on the ground approximately 10 feet from where I was standhig This^wasloilowed immediately by a burst of automate rifle fire. [REDACTED] YSL \ on team i [REDACTED] and told him shots were fired. All members of my team to et [REDACTED]

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at our motorcade.

Fearing for my life and the lives of my teammates, I shouldered my State Department issued rifle and engaged the threat in the top window of the 2 story building. I fired approximately 10 rounds on semi-automatic at the man in the window. The threat dropped out of sight, and the fire from the building ceased.

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We than began receiving automatic lire [REDACTED] our motorcade staged position. The muzzle flasnes were coming from a grassy area just seen 2 men run. Still very much concerned for my life and teammates, I engaged the threat with approximately 20 well aimed shots and the fire from the grassy area also discontinued. The Shift Leader made the decision to exit FOB Independence and quickly break contact. I informed Shift Leader (SL) via internal communications that I had fired approximately 30 rounds and I was uninjured. No other personnel were injured and our vehicles sustained no damage. We departed the contact area and traveled on Route [REDACTED] in order to make our way back to the International Zone (IZ). We arrived safely back in the IZ without further incident.//END///

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| Signed                                                                        |                |
| Printed                                                                       | Agent M. Adams |
| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMA IF SH. UHIV SERVICE |                |

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| Witness Signature |                |
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| Blackwater USA  | After Action Report (AAR)       | <sup>4TF</sup><br>j^ So <sup>5</sup>  | Date/Time of Statement<br><b>14 March 2007/1640 hours</b> |
| Name _____      | Vat<br>157C                     | Team _____                            | Situation<br><b>Shoot to disable</b>                      |
| Location/Avenue | Time Occurred<br>:<>»3P hour8«j | Date Occurred<br><b>14 March 2007</b> |                                                           |

At approximately 0920 hours." ^ departed the International Zone ^ 1 ^ support of T / All' The vehicle configuration for the day was ~ TM hnrlk1^i^dLetter^^ch state; "Warning vehicles in the motorcade have clearly stenciled w a r ^ TM stay back JOQmeU^ in both English and Arabic ^ b o u n d J route was gaining access to FOB Independence ^ while the lead vehicle turret PSS stopped south bound traffic and the follow vehicle turret PSS stopped north bound traffic. All Local National (LN) vehicles traveling north bound obeyed the verbal and hand signals given by the rear turret PSS and stopped approximately 75 to 100 meters behind the motorcade's follow vehicle. The motorcade was traveling slowly in order to make the left turn in to the FOB.

A grey colored van (suspect vehicle), with a single male occupant was traveling north bound towards the rear of [REDACTED] motorcade. The suspect vehicle swerved aggressively around all of the other northbound stopped vehicles and proceeded at a high rate of speed toward the motorcade's follow vehicle. The follow vehicle turret PSS gave verbal and hand / arm signals to stop and also yelled "Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic. The follow turret fired [REDACTED] green flare that impacted directly in front of the suspect vehicle and bounced up hitting the [REDACTED] pointed his State clearly saw the impact of the flare on his windshield. The follow [REDACTED] statsd that Department issued [REDACTED] directly at 'J' 16 [REDACTED] suspect vehicle. The follow [REDACTED] statsd that the driver of the van was looking straight at him. He suspect un vci u [REDACTED] continued toward the motorcade.

The follow vehicle turret [REDACTED], felt an imminent threat to himself and that of his teammates, thus causing him to escalate his use of force. [REDACTED] placed two well aimed shots into the suspect vehicles' grille. The driver of the suspect vehicle immediately stopped his forward movement and raised both hands in the air in a surrendering gesture. The driver placed his hands on the steering wheel and cautiously moved his vehicle toward the right side of the road™, and away from "o r c a d e . Th^ea [REDACTED] tely felt an imminent threat and returned to scanning his surroundings. The [REDACTED] advised of the vehicle, [REDACTED] notified of the shoot to disable by the [REDACTED] in Henf[REDACTED] no description, disposition, and that there were no injuries sustained. [REDACTED] SL and injuries or vehicle damage. Once secure in the FOB, the RSO TOC was contacted by the [REDACTED] SL and provided with a more detailed account of the incident. //hND//

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## **REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**



## Diplomatic Security Service

## **Baghdad**

| DS Case Number | Case Title                  | ROI Type              | Report Date   |
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| RS-2007-00321  | 20070314, UODFI, BAGHDAD, J | CASE FINAL            | 11-SEP-07 ^ 1 |
| Case Type      | Program                     | Dates Investigated    |               |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | REGIONAL SECURITY           | 14-MAR-07 - 15-MAR-07 |               |
| Case Impact    | Case Status                 | Open/Close Case Dates |               |
| NOT<br>SUSPECT | OPEN                        | 10-SEP-07             |               |

On March 14, 2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal security Detail (PSD), \_\_\_\_\_, was involved in use of force incidents while entering FOB Independence engaged a vehicle occupied by a male, \_\_\_\_\_ members noticed a vehicle that had swerved around stopped traffic and drove towards the motorcade, disregarded verbal and arm/hand signals, and being driven in flare w/ \_\_\_\_\_ the windshield of the suspicious vehicle and was

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#### **Use of Force policy.**

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# BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY



## **U.S. Embassy - Baghdad**

March 14, 2007

## **Spot Report-031407- 04**

## **Subject:** RSO Air Asset Fires at an RPG Assailant

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 14 March 2007, at approximately 1445 hours, a RSO air asset (412-medium lift) en-route to the International Zone from BIAP engaged one military aged male (MAM) armed with a rocket propelled grenade (RPG). The 412 had just flown over a check point on a mam east to west route when the door gunner at a distance of approximately 800 meters spotted the MAM with a RPG. The MAM turned and aimed the RPG towards the 412; the door gunner e n g a g e d with one burst (li5-20 rounds) from an' \_\_\_\_\_ before the MAM was able to fire the RPG- The door gunner was unable to determine the disposition of the assailant and there were no principals involved.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad

**Drafted By:** Roque Salas, Watch Officer, RSO TOC Baghdad

**Cleared by:** Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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Date of Report: 14 Mar 07

Location: \_\_\_\_\_

## Task Order:1T

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 14 Mar 07

Time of Incident: 1447

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Vic Checkpoint, Southeast side of Route \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Involved: Air 2 (412s)

**Incident Synopsis:** On 14 March 2007, at 1447, Air 2 (Bell 412s) flying in a f<sup>^</sup> h<sup>^</sup> i<sup>^</sup> p formation engaged an individual aiming an RPG at the aircraft. Air 2 departed BIAP t" land was in-route to LZ Washington when the door gunner of the " aircraft observed an individual with an RPG. In the vicinity of ^southeast Tide of Route! ) and at approximately 250 meters away from the individual, the door gunner observed him turn towards the direction of the aircraft and aim the RPG. The door gunner engaged the individual with a 15-20 round burst J from his Jaircraft continued their flight to LZ Washington without further incident. There were no injuries to COM personnel or any damage to COM assets.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

## ANSWER



## Sworn Statement

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| Date     | 14 March 2007           | Time  | Approximately 1445 Hrs |
| Location | "<br>(Approximate grid) | b7E,F |                        |

I, [redacted] WG b7c hereby make the following statement at the request of

[redacted], who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States I furnish and any information or evidence resulting

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### General Military/Civilian Experience

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In [redacted] I started working for Blackwater WPPS. While in training for Blackwater I ^ w e d instruction that moored those used to train special agents in the US Department ^ e ^ l o r ^ L u r i t y Service. I was instructed in the proper 'use of force' and the duties I would be required to proviae wn B non-hostile targets, in order to use the proper use of force. training I was taught the difference in [redacted] After training, I was sent to Baghdad, Iraq as a part of Blackwater's contract with the Department of State. I have been working as a member of Blackwater Aviation for the past [redacted], providing close air support for hundreds of protective detail assignments'.

### Incident

On 14 March 2007, I was assign~~\*~~ to [redacted] (left seat), [redacted] (right gunner) and [redacted] (lft\*gunner). f [redacted] J e a m Air Gunners were called and told to report to the hanger to take two passengers out to BIAP. The [redacted] Aircraft that I was on had [redacted] as ixau rnui, [redacted] as Co Pilot, and [redacted] as an observing

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Was right side Gunner and myself as left side Gunner. We departed LZ Washington and made it to BIAT without incident. Up to far I fa sj?u\* <k> u c W m trifori to renim so we could go back to LZ W r f m g l o ». ^ n d e - ^ e JhS E a S t Mill ftfjBIAP, we passed a set of Army EOD vehicles moving east down! going w-e approximately^ m r l e southeast of when I spotted a man wearing all black with a RPG facing in the direction of the Anny convoy The W was at the low ready position on his shoulder. The subject noticed our aircraft, turned towards us and pointed RPG at us. I was in fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. I engaged the subject with approximately a 15 to 20 round burst from the State Department issued left sTde of the T^ Aircraft at a distance of between 200 to 300 meters. I am not able to confirm whether he was hit but the RPG did not get fired from what I saw. The spot report was sent to the TOC and the aircraft returned to LZ Washington with out further incident.

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Signed  |                   |
| Printed | [Redacted]        |
| Address | WPPS Camp Baghdad |

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March, 200Z.

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**SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE**

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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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| TITLE                               |               | DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER |                 |
| Escalation of Force by COM Air Unit |               |                                |                 |
| TRUE NAME                           |               | CASE TYPE                      |                 |
| POST                                | DATE REPORTED | DATES INVESTIGATED             | REPORTING AGENT |
| Baghdad                             | 14 March 2007 | 14 March 2007                  | Hammond         |

## SYNOPSIS

On 14 March 2007 members of a Chief of Mission Air Unit fired 15 to 20 rounds from an [redacted] at a hostile individual with an RPG. There were no injuries to COM personnel and unknown injuries to the aggressor. This incident was within U.S. Embassy Baghdad's Use of Force policy.

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On Wednesday March 14<sup>th</sup>, 2007, I was a member of the RSO TOC for the 6th Mission (COM) Air Units had fired at a hostile aggressor.

When the team finished its duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

P\_\_\_\_\_; Detail Leader      b6  
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P\_\_\_\_\_; Door Gunner      b6  
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I asked \_\_\_\_\_ who was the only one to fire his weapon, to explain what happened and he told me the following: b7c

He said that while returning from the Baghdad International Air Port (BIAP) to the International Zone (IZ) his aircraft was in the position. He said they had just passed a U.S. Army motorcade when, from his position as a door gunner, he saw an individual crouched on the ground holding an RPG. He said the individual was approximately 250 meters away, but from his vantage point in the air (approximately 60 feet up and traveling at about 105 mph) he had a clear view of him. When the individual holding the RPG saw the helicopter, he suddenly stood up and raised the RPG from a "low ready" to a "fire position" and aimed it at the helicopter.

Greenfield immediately engaged the individual with 15 to 20 rounds fired from his issued weapon. He said he saw the individual drop, but was not sure if he was struck or simply fell to take cover. The helicopters continued with their mission without further incident.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This use of force incident is within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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## **U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

March 17, 2007

## **SPOT REPORT - 031707- 02**

**SUBJECT:** Tactical Support Team (TST) Fires on an Aggressive Vehicle

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 17 March, 2007 at 1350 hrs, a Chief of Mission (COM) Tactical Support Team (TST) was proceeding southeast in the right hand lane of a four lane divided street near the Ministry of Education Annex and the Ministry of Foreign Affairs. The TST motorcade consisted of \_\_\_\_\_ armored cars and was returning back to the International zone. As the TST moved down the street they approached a "T" intersection with a secondary street that ran perpendicular from their right (i.e. the street lay from the northeast to the southwest). The <sup>^</sup>H<sub>j</sub> vehicle in the motorcade, a "Puma" armored car acting as the command vehicle, • ^

f "to allow the remainder of the motorcade to proceed7~During duskime the motorcade was traveling with lights flashing and sirens blaring to warn local national drivers. An Iraqi Policeman (IP) was assisting in the movement of the TST by directing/stopping traffic.

As the motorcade was moving through the "T", the gunner, the turret of the Puma observed a white four door sedan approximately 10 meters away driven by a Military Aged Male (MAM) approaching the intersection from the southwest. Both the IP and the turret gunner shouted and gave gestures for the car to stop. At approximately 10 meters away the sedan struck ten feet in front of the approaching car to no effect. The turret gunner then

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aimed hisi \_\_\_\_\_ J and fired two aimed rounds into the hood of the oncoming car at [Jme\*ers.. At this point tha driver ihrejv up his hands and stopped his vehicle\*. TM dKyef aj^darfid ufciji^Mflrtlnlained in his car until the TST motorcade passed.

There were no principles in the TST motorcade. No COM personnel were injured. The team continued to the International Zone without further incident.

**RSO ACTION:** TST PSD members are completing written statements. The RSO office is investigating the shooting.

**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

**DRAFTED BY:** Sam Pikula, Watch Officer, RSO TOC Baghdad, Iraq

**APPROVED BY:** RSO Randall Bennett, Baghdad, Iraq

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_ \* i\* -T^t \*.\* \*.. \*.\* .. <

## **Task Order: 6**

## **Person Releasing Report: Kurt Scheuermann**

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Operations Chief

**Date of Incident:** 17 Mar 07

**Time of Incident:** 1350 hrs

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** 800m N-West off [redacted] (Vic)

#### **Personnel Involved:**

**Incident Synopsis:** On 17 March 2007, at 1350 hrs, "JHHZ, a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles, were southbound at checkpoint J in the vicinity of the Ministry of Education Annexes they were passing a cross street, the up-gunner in the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle noticed a white sedan, occupied by one military aged male, approaching from a perpendicular angle to the right at a high rate of speed. The up-gunner gave the stop hand signal and shouted for the vehicle to stop. He then fired a pen flare but the vehicle continued. When the vehicle was within \_\_\_\_\_ meters the up-gunner fired 2! \_\_\_\_\_ rounds to the grill of the vehicle with his f\_\_\_\_\_. The vehicle immediately stopped and the driver threw up his hands. The TST returned to base without further incident, there were no injuries to CoM personnel or damage to any CoM vehicles.

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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| DS Case Number | Case Title                | ROI Type              | Report Date     |
| RS-2007-00323  | 20070317, UODFI, BAGHDAD, | CASE FINAL            | 11-SEP-07 b7E,F |
| Case Type      | Program                   | Dates Investigated    |                 |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | REGIONAL SECURITY         | 17-MAR-07 - 18-MAR-07 |                 |
| Case Impact    | Case Status               | Open/Close Case Dates |                 |
| NOT SPECIFIED  | OPEN                      | 10-SEP-07             |                 |

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 On March 17, 2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal while en-route to the IZ engaged a vehicle occupied by male that was driving ... , had SWK%eli around  
 stopped traffic, disregarding verbal and arm/hand signals, and being driven in an aggressive manner by a male. The PSD member fired a pen flare at the direction of the vehicle that was clearly visible and ignored by the driver. The PSD member fired multiple well aimed shots at the vehicle, striking and disabling the vehicle. The use of force was reported to the shift leader, and then reported by the shift leader to the RSO TOC.

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 There was no damage to COM property or personnel. All members involved were interviewed by DS Special Agents Therm Q. Bunnell and Kemmi Sadler. See enclosed sworn statements. The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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| Baghdad                        | 17 March 2007 | 17 March 2007                  | Hammond         |

## SYNOPSIS

On 17 March 2007 members of a Chief of Mission Personal Protective Detail fired two rounds from an, \_\_\_\_\_ rifle at an aggressive vehicle. There were no injuries to COM personnel no apparent injuries to the driver of the suspect vehicle. This incident was within U.S. Embassy Baghdad's Use of Force policy.

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On Wednesday March 17<sup>th</sup>, 2007, I was advised by [REDACTED] Security Details (PSD) had fired two [REDACTED] weapons at a reticle using an escalation of force [REDACTED].

When the team finished it's duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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[REDACTED] who was in the Turret Gunner position and the only one to fire his weapon, told me the following: He said that while returning to the International Zone (IZ) from the Ministry of Education the motorcade was suddenly approached by an aggressive vehicle. He told me that while driving through a circular intersection, all other vehicles had stopped and were yielding to the motorcade. There was an Iraqi Police (IP) officer present who had stopped traffic in order to assist.

While driving through the intersection, a white, 4 door sedan with one male occupant began to pass the stopped traffic and approach the motorcade. This was in spite of the fact that all other traffic was stopped, that IP was controlling the intersection, and that the motorcade was utilizing lights, sirens, and air horns.

As the vehicle approached, [REDACTED] gave verbal and visual signals for it to stop. When it was approximately [REDACTED] meters away [REDACTED] fired a pen flare that struck the ground immediately in front of the approaching car. The car continued toward the motorcade, at which point [REDACTED] raised his [REDACTED] and fired two rounds into the engine block. The driver immediately stopped the car and held his hands in [REDACTED] the air. The motorcade was able to continue on without further incident.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This use of force incident is within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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**Sworn Statement**

Date 17 March 2007 Time iApprq\*?1?31)hc:uis.

Location

WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby make the following statement at the request of \_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

**General Military/Civilian Experience**

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I have received additional training in the use of lethal and non-lethal force, shooting from a moving platform, target identification in accordance with Department of State policies while I attended the Department of State, DSS WPPS class Q at Blackwater USA's training facility. I also attended the S S J on a l training in the use of lethiTand non-lethal force, and target discrimination while Intended the Department of State World Wide Personal Protective Services course, WPPSII Requalification ClassQatthe Blackwater USA training facilities.

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## Incident

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On 17 March 2007 at approximately 0700 hours, I received a mission brief. The brief was given by my Shift Leader, Team Leader, in the meeting room list of the Red Zone. The pre-mission brief included an updated intelligence report for the day, the rules of engagement, mission firearm policy, escalation of force, and threats to the specific routes utilized by the teams. Intelligence for the day also included recent information regarding Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threats.

On 17 March 2007 at approximately 1340 hours, our motorcade was returning from the area en route back to the International Zone traveling south from [REDACTED] towards [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] was assigned to the Turret of the Command Vehicle. My vehicle was [REDACTED] vehicle Tn? [REDACTED] [vehicle motorcade]. Our vehicles were driving with the emergency lights and sirens on, as well as using the air horns to alert traffic of our presence. All the vehicles have the words "Warning-StaxBack 100 Meters" stenciled in English and Arabic on the back of the vehicles. Additionally, the J and L vehicles in our motorcade also have the same stenciling on the sides of the vehicles as well.

As we approached the intersection of \_\_\_\_\_ I observed a white four door sedan with one male occupant, traveling ~~south~~ <sup>jewani</sup> ^ ^ rate of speed. The white four door sedan was traveling east from \_\_\_\_\_ I immediately gave verbal and visual commands for the vehicle to stop by yelling "Kir" meaning to stop in Arabic and motioning with my hand and arm to stop. The driver of the vehicle disregarded my verbal and visual hand signals and continued toward our motorcade at a high rate of speed. The driver of the suspect vehicle also ignored an Iraqi Policeman (IP) who was waiving his arms for the suspect vehicle to stop. I felt the vehicle was an imminent threat to me and my team. When the suspect vehicle was approximately <sup>f3</sup> <sub>Tieters</sub> from my position, I fired one pen flare in an attempt to alert the driver of the suspect vehicle to stop. The pen flare skipped off the pavement and bounced directly in front of the vehicle. Even after the pen flare impacted directly in front of the suspect vehicle, the vehicle did not slow and the driver showed no intent that he was going to stop.

Fearing for my life and that of my teammates, I raised my Department of State issued FZ pointing it towards the suspect vehicle in an attempt to get the driver to acknowledge me and to stop his vehicle. I gave the driver ample time after firing the pen flare to either stop or slow down which he did neither. The vehicle was now approximately [ ] meters from my vehicle. I felt I had no other course of action so I fired two shots into the suspect vehicle's grill in an attempt to disable the vehicle and stop the threat to our motorcade. At this time, the suspect vehicle came to a complete stop and the driver raised his hands in the air in a surrendering fashion.

As we continued to travel, I J^it tje iRiver,wa§.noijniure^ and observed no other passengers in the vehicle. I reported thelirtefcteni to riiv Shift Leader tttruig&i friteffial communications. No ^ personnel were injure<3«norwere«any? \*"JvghicSe9«dafwaged. We continued into fa,^ International Zone without further incident where we staged for follow on missions.///END///

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Signed  |                                |
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| Address | 106<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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## **Sworn Statement**

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| Date<br>17 March 2007               | Time<br>Approx. 1730 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I,                          hereby make the following statement at the request of

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

Inf- [REDACTED] I was hired by Blackwater Security and attended the WPPS II Course. My training included shoot/no shoot scenarios, operating as a member of a protective detail, shooting from a mobile platform, (" [REDACTED] 4 as well as, target and threat recognition. I deployed to Baghdad ini [REDACTED] I am currently assigned to [REDACTED] Tactical Support Team (TST).

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## Incident

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On 17 March 2007 at approximately 0600 hours, we conducted a pre-mission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of all teams that we would be supporting during the day, and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the continuing threat of VBIED's (Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices) in our area of operations.

At approximately 1340 hours, we departed our staging area en route to \_\_\_\_\_ J hn.i., \_\_\_\_\_, > to support teams moving through the area. We were traveling in a Tvehicle motorcade; I was driving the( .(Command) vehicle. AllJ\_\_\_\_; vehicles in our motorcade have "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the back and both the \_\_\_\_\_ i and \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles have the warning stenciled on their sides and back. The warning is written in both English and Arabic. Our motorcade was traveling with the emergency lights and sirens activated to alert local traffic of our presence. We were traveling Southeast from' towardsT" ; Our motorcade began to cross the intersection known as I

As the first, \_\_\_\_ vehicles of our motorcade passed through the intersection, I observed an IP (Iraqi Police) had stopped all traffic. As my vehicle moved into \_\_\_\_ I heard the turret gunner f \_\_\_\_ yell, "Kiff Kiff". I began to sound the vehicle's horn to warn LN (local national) vehicles at the intersection of our approach. As we entered the intersection, I looked to my right and saw a white, four door sedan, with one male occupant rapidly approaching our motorcade. The driver of the vehicle was ignoring the IP waving for him to stop, was giving loud verbal commands ^ and giving hand signals for the driver to stop the vehicle. When the vehicle was approximately \_\_\_\_ meters away, \_\_\_\_ fired a pen flare in an attempt to get the suspect vehicle's driver to stop. The flare bounced in front of the vehicle but the driver made no visible attempt to stop.

At this time, due to the direction, proximity and speed of the suspect vehicle combined with the non-compliance to numerous warnings<sup>^1</sup> I was in fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. When the vehicle was approximately<sup>^1</sup> meters away from our motorcade, [REDACTED] fired two rounds into the grill of the suspect vehicle. The driver immediately stopped the vehicle and put his hands in the air in a surrendering fashion. There were no apparent injuries to the driver. Our Shift Leader<sup>^1</sup> [REDACTED] contacted the RSO TOC (Tactical Operations Center) with the situation, make, and model of the vehicle, and advised that there were no injuries. No<sup>^1</sup> personnel were injured. We continued to the International Zone without further incidents.///End///

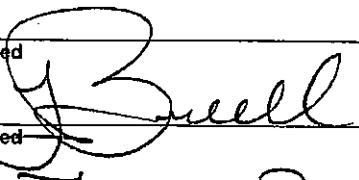
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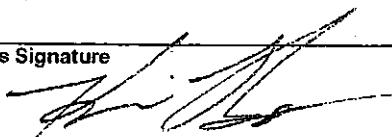
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 18<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE |                                                                                    |

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| Blackwater USA                             |      | Action Report (AAR)            |                             | BLACKWATER                     | Date/Time of Statement<br>17 March 2007 1730 hours |
| Name<br><i>b7c</i><br>Lonalin/Vfinifi<br>1 | Team | Situation:<br>Shoot to disable | Time Occurred<br>1350 hours | Date Occurred<br>17 March 2007 | U<br>clC                                           |

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On 17 March 2007 at approximately 0600 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ J conducted a pre-mission brief at the \_\_\_\_\_ staging area. The brief started with an intelligence report from the embedded Intelligence Analyst for' \_\_\_\_\_ j Detail. The brief further included a detailed list of the teams' \_\_\_\_\_ J would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any direct threats to their routes and venues. The mission firearm policy and escalation of force, per Department of State, was also covered by the \_\_\_\_\_ I Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ ^

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At approximately 1340 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ departed the area they were staged at (Forward Operating Base Independence) en route to \_\_\_\_\_ jtojprovide coverage for a team traveling through the area. The vehicle configuration for the day was | \_\_\_\_\_ " 1 All/ \_\_\_\_\_ 1 vehicles in the motorcade have clearly stenciled warnings on the back in red letters which state, "Warning stay back 100 meters^ in both English and Arabic. Additionally, two of the vehicles have the same warning on the sides, as well. J \_\_\_\_\_ j was traveling South from|\_\_\_\_\_ through|\_\_\_\_\_ towards the International Zone (IZ) utilizing air horns, lights, and sirens.

While r \_\_\_\_\_ } was moving south through the intersection known as| \_\_\_\_\_ ! their motorcade was moving to the counter flow side, i \_\_\_\_\_ .jlead Mamba and ERV \_\_\_\_\_ , vehicle) had already moved over to the counter flow side when the Command Vehicle t \_\_\_\_\_ , vehicle) came into the intersection. The motorcade had slowed for a serpentine causing i \_\_\_\_\_ J Command vehicle to come to a slow roll in the intersection. An Iraqi Policeman (IP), who had already seen \_\_\_\_\_. firstf, jvehicles enter the intersection, had all other Local National (LN) vehicles completely stopped. At this time, a white in color, four door sedan (suspect vehicle), with a single male occupant was traveling east bound perpendicular to| \_\_\_\_\_ j motorcade. The suspect vehicle was approximately! meters away as it swerved aggressively around all of the other stopped LN vehicles and preceded at a higji rate of speed towards! \_\_\_\_\_ ..command vehicle. The suspect vehicle also disregarded the IP's verbal and hand / arm signals to stop. The turret PSS<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ gave verbal and hand / arm signals to stop and also yelled "Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic. The driver T \_\_\_\_\_ of the command vehicle witnessed, \_\_\_\_\_, situation and assisted\_\_\_\_\_,in his attempts to warn the suspect vehicle by using the command vehicle's air horn. The suspect vehicle continued to speed towards| \_\_\_\_\_ f motorcade.' \_\_\_\_\_ jthen deployed one pen flare that impacted the roadway directly in front of the suspect vehicle. Although the pen flare was clearly visible, the suspect vehicle continued to push forward on a collision course with the command vehicle. \_\_\_\_\_ then pointed his State Department issued ^|\_\_\_\_\_ directly at the driver of the suspect vehicle. The suspect driver disregarded these warnings as well and continued toward the motorcade.

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The Command vehicle turret PSS f \_\_\_\_\_ j, felt an imminent threat to himself and that of his teammates, thus causing him to escalate his use of force.' \_\_\_\_\_ j in fear for his life and that of his teammates, placed two well aimed shots into the suspect vehicles'grill. The driver of the suspect vehicle came to a complete stop at approximately ^neters from| \_\_\_\_\_ j The driver then raised both hands in the air in a surrendering gesture. b7E, F The turret PSS no longer felt an imminent threat and returned to scanning his normal sectors. The RSO TOC was immediately notified of the shoot to disable by the Shift Leader' \_\_\_\_\_ . The TOC was advised of the vehicles description, disposition, and that there were no injuries sustained during the incident.) \_\_\_\_\_ incurred no injuries or vehicle damage. Once secure in the IZ, the RSO TOC was contacted by the ~~ 'SL and provided with a more detailed aacaunf©fihe iic\*d«nf//^ENjsV#

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#### Synopsis

In March 17, 2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Detail (PSD) was involved in a use of force incident while en route to the International Zone (IZ). There were no known injuries or damages to COM property or personnel. The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC (see team member statements for further details). The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

#### Primary Subjects

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Name: ARSO Theron Bunnell

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#### Personnel Assignment

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 REPORT OF INVESTIGATION



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| TITLE                                        |                             | DS CASE NUMBER/REPORT NUMBER                  |                             |
| COM PSD (Kirkuk) Fires on Aggressive Vehicle |                             | 2007 - Kirkuk                                 |                             |
| TRUE NAME<br>N/A                             |                             | CASE TYPE<br>Use of Force                     |                             |
| POST<br>Kirkuk                               | DATE REPORTED<br>03-17-2007 | DATES INVESTIGATED<br>03/18/2007 – 03/18/2007 | REPORTING AGENT<br>RSO Rowe |

## SYNOPSIS

Summary: On March 16, 2007, at approximately 0910 hrs, a Kirkuk [ ] vehicle COM PSD motorcade, [ ] enroute from the Erbil USAID compound to Erbil Sheraton Hotel fired on a vehicle after determining that the vehicle posed an immediate threat to their motorcade. This use of force was appropriate and within the parameters of DS use-of-force policy. Injuries to the three occupants in the threat vehicle were not observed.

End Summary.

The following chain of events is derived from the statements provided by the team members involved in the shooting:

1. i [ ] 1 was enroute from the USAID compound in Erbil to the Sheraton Hotel when they encountered an aggressive grey Mercedes four door sedan with three military age males. [ ] was stopped in a bubble formation preparing to turn left. The follow vehicle had its hazards on [ ] (warning) on the rear of the vehicle as well as the right and left rear gunners out. Seizing [ ] using hand and verbal signals for all approaching vehicles to stop or push far to the right or left. All vehicles were complying.
2. At [ ] me [ ] a grey Mercedes traveling at a high rate of speed and passing all other vehicles approached the motorcade. The rear gunners, with direct eye contact with the driver, [ ] signaling the driver to stop. The driver [ ] attempting to waive off the driver. [ ] U1C 1CU 5 [ ] he vehicle.
3. t [ ] o the right and stopped 35 meters past the [ ] All three occupants looked at the motorcade and then the front of their vehicle; no injuries were noted. Fluid was leaking from the bottom of the vehicle, r [ ] 1 proceeded to the venue with no further incidents. Case Closed.

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b7E/F**INCIDENT REPORT***This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.***Date of Report:** 19 Mar 07**Location:** Jalalabad Road**Task Order:** 4**Person Releasing Report:****Title of Person Releasing Report:****Date of Incident:** 19 Mar 07**Time of Incident:** 1030**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater**Detail Location of Incident:** Jalalabad Road approximately 500 meters north of Airport Cutoff

Road / \_\_\_\_\_

**Personnel Involved:** \_\_\_\_\_ <

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**Incident Synopsis:** \_\_\_\_\_, was in route to Camp Phoenix via the Jalalabad Rd. route when at approx. 1037hrs, reported via the \_\_\_\_\_ station, a maroon Toyota YBIED

detonated from the shoulder of the road targeting the motorcade's \_\_\_\_\_  
~~vehicle(s) sensibly and was immediately off the road~~ and dispatched to the scene arriving at approx. /  
 1042hrs. Upon arrival, \_\_\_\_\_ secured the scene. \_\_\_\_\_ was staged at the US Embassy awaiting a  
 1047hrs with \_\_\_\_\_ elements and the BW PA for support. The injured party was stabilized  
 by medics on scene and transported to Camp Phoenix CASH for further treatment and air  
 MEDEVAC to BAF CASH. The two principals being escorted were transferred to \_\_\_\_\_  
 and returned to the US. Embassy at approx. 1130hrs. All teams, personnel, sensitive  
 equipment, and vehicles were recovered and the scene was released to the U.S. ARMY personnel  
 and / Explosive investigators. \_\_\_\_\_ departed Camp Phoenix to BAF CASH  
 via air MEDEVAC at approx. 1211 hrs.

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No shots were fired by Blackwater personnel during this incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** \_\_\_\_\_ injuries included, but were not limited to: two fractures in right leg, a deep laceration to the groin, and internal bleeding. His status was unstable, but his condition has since improved and he has stabilized.h^  
b7C**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW PM, Ops Chief**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A**Additional Reports Generated:** None at this time.

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To: Victor Esposito, LPM  
From: Matthew Stuckart  
Subject: AAR from Kabul VBIED 03/19/07  
  
Date: 27 March 2007

The following after action report reflects, in summary, the actions of the Blackwater WPPS Kabul EPD in response to the VBIED attack that occurred approximately 450 meters east of "Airport cut-off" on Jalalabad Road in Kabul, Afghanistan on 19 March 2007. Elements involved included:

On 19 March 2007 at approximately 1030 hrs, [redacted] Ambassador's Protection Detail (APD) was traveling east on Jalalabad Road in heavily congested traffic. There were [redacted] vehicles in the motorcade: [redacted] V [redacted] < As the motorcade traveled east, it approached a red Toyota Corolla with a single occupant traveling east at a slower rate of speed. f

While the lead vehicle was beside the red Toyota, the Toyota detonated and blew the lead vehicle into the median. The driver lost control of the Suburban and struck an oncoming truck. The Suburban was destroyed and the follow vehicle was disabled. When the trucks came to a stop, the lead vehicle driver P 7j attempted to get out of the driver's door.

However, the blast had jammed the door, so he attempted to crawl out of the windshield. At this time the left rear gunner ..... opened the driver door and assisted in extracting the driver from the vehicle.

It was apparent that the } . had been seriously  
injured. Initially, I \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ attempted to extract the ) \_\_\_ but  
were unable to free him. The dashboard appeared to have pinned him but  
\_\_\_\_\_ was eventually able to move the dash and extract the injured  
out of the driver's door.

Andrew Florenz  
Afghanistan Regional Coordinator \*\*

BlackwaterUSA

-After-Action-Report (AAR)

Date/Time of Statement  
23 March 2007/1200 Hrs.

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|----------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------------|
| Name<br>Andrew Florenz, Afghanistan RC | Team             | Situation<br>VBIED Attack      |
| Location/Venue<br>Location             | Approx. 1030 hrs | Date Occurred<br>19 March 2007 |

After the [redacted] was removed [redacted] \*and~ the fourth IC in the vehicle P began pulling security and pushing the crowds back to ensure there were no follow-on attacks. At this time the team medic (from the [redacted] vehicle) began performing emergency procedures on the seriously wounded.

Concurrently, the [redacted] vehicle personnel radioed to the TOC, reported the incident, and gave an initial assessment; the [redacted] vehicle was the only vehicle with a functioning radio after the attack. Once done, the [redacted] vehicle's four personnel dismounted and began to provide security for the scene. The Shift Leader [redacted] and EMT [redacted] moved to the lead vehicle to assess the situation. The lead vehicle was seriously injured, and the EMT began administering first aid to the injured [redacted]. Meanwhile, the [redacted] had moved approximately 200 meters off the attack site, and the area around the [redacted] was secured by U.S. Army forces within [redacted] minutes.

Blackwater's [redacted] was staged at the Embassy. Upon notification of the attack, [redacted] departed immediately (with [redacted] JEMT) and arrived approximately [redacted] after the call went out for assistance.

[redacted] EMT took over treatment of the injured [redacted] right leg. In the meantime, the men had cleared vehicles within [redacted] [redacted] Then~ the [redacted] needed to [redacted] from the damaged/destroyed vehicles and load those ""!terns into" the QRF vehicles. The SL continued to keep the TOC apprised of all developments.

[redacted] j (with [redacted] elements and the PA) arrived next (approximately [redacted] minutes later) and picked up security, allowing [redacted] team members to consolidate and reorganize. The ARSO (in the [redacted]) informed the SL that the [redacted] was stopped approximately 200 meters NE past the VBIED site and that U.S Army personnel were at his location providing security for the [redacted].

The ARSO advised that all personnel in the [redacted] were uninjured. After hearing their disposition, [redacted] continued treating the seriously injured [redacted] and assessing other injured personnel. This was done with the assistance of T [redacted] JEMTs. Also, the two principals were

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Andrew Florenz  
Afghanistan Regional Coordinator

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| Blackwater USA                                | After Action Report (AAR) | i^g^t                                     | Date/Time of Statement<br>23 March 2007/1200 Hrs. |
| Name<br><b>Andrew Florenz, Afghanistan RC</b> | Team<br><i>1</i>          | Situation<br><b>VBIED Attack</b>          | b7E, F                                            |
| Location<br><i>1.nratinn/Vfinjifi</i>         |                           | Time Occurred<br><i>.Aiwqxi.ig 3p4hrs</i> | Date Occurred<br><b>19 March 2007</b>             |

transferred to \_\_\_\_\_ and returned to the U.S. Embassy - they arrived at the Embassy at approximately 1130 hrs.

Once the site was secure it took approximately \_\_\_\_\_ minutes for U.S. Army and ISAF QRFs to arrive. Once on the scene, they provided little help. However, emergency medical procedures dictated that the injured \_\_\_\_\_ be moved to Camp Phoenix for follow-on treatment, and a U.S. Army "field ambulance did transport him to Camp Phoenix at approximately this time. The British QRF took \_\_\_\_\_ to arrive.

Other elements from the U.S. Embassy arrived on scene; however, they only added to the confusion by wanting to take charge of the scene and treat the area as if it were a "crime scene." The TOC informed the SL that members of the Afghanistan Ministry of Interior wished to conduct a survey of damage at the location of the attack.

However, due to the nature of the attack, the limited resources on hand, and the massive crowds assembling at multiple points around the scene, the SL decided to wait for additional reinforcements before any non-U.S. personnel were allowed to approach the scene.

After the injured \_\_\_\_\_, was evacuated, the PM ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) informed the SL that all Blackwater personnel needed to depart the scene. All personnel left the area approximately 1 hour and 20 minutes after the initial explosion and returned to the U.S. Embassy to further assess other injured personnel. At approximately 1210 hrs. the injured \_\_\_\_\_ departed Camp Phoenix en route to Baghram CSH via air medevac.

It should be noted that once members of the Afghanistan Ministry of Interior were allowed to be on scene, their representative was very upset and made threatening statements to the extent that he had an AK-47 and that he would "shoot" next time. Investigators from ISAF and the U.S. Embassy elements refused to allow \_\_\_\_\_ to recover the vehicles due to the ongoing investigation. Arrangements were made to recover said vehicles at a later time.

A Lessons Learned Report from this attack will be sent separately for record and file. //END//

Andrew Florenz  
Afghanistan Regional Coordinator \*\*

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As of 19 March 2007, . . . . . (mis-spelled) »;-S.in.ihe air enroute Baqrahm Air fe<3sa.affe\*r JrecliiTug rfajoj- Jji jitrf<is Jrfcm a VBIED in Kabul. , was apertS.@f'\*tTiaWimlSassa^bs'.s SeiaiS. I.ThJ.'extent of his injuries is unknown however, we do know that he has internal bleeding and at least two compound fractures.

At approximately 1000 Kabul time i \_\_\_\_\_ (Ambassador's detail) was transporting the Embassy Doctor and an aid to pick up the Ambassador while traveling on Jalabad Road near the airport. It appears that a LN vehicle (red Toyota Carolla - VBIED) moved from the side of the road towards the motorcade. At this time, the \_\_\_\_\_ moved to \_\_\_\_\_ as the VBIED detonated. The \_\_\_\_\_ jvehicle in the motorcade received most of the damage from the explosion. An official incident report will follow with more details.

The >1 moved away from the scene until it became inoperable (NFI) . The ^vehicles were immediately immobilized due to the explosion of the VBIED. The Doctor and Aid were unharmed.

The scene was secured by able PSD team members as the Doctor, aid and team medic immediately began assessing the injured. The US Army eventually arrived on scene and provided limited support.

I will keep you posted re any new developments re the incident and the condition of our injured. According to in-country personnel, photos of the VBIED scene has been posted on Yahoo News (NFI).

Best Regards -

Victor

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Paul -

As of 20 March ... i\* j J lsj.sc2j4jiujeji to depart  
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[redacted] ^will accompany him (if space available) on the MEDIVAC flight to Germany. If space is not available, Blackwater will arrange commercial travel for him to fly to Germany along with [redacted], [redacted] detail leader who will be his escort.

Additional injuries reported from 19 March 2007 Kabul VBIED attack. 'L received stitches and suffers from body serve aches and ' > via x-rays show a broken bone in his right hand and a dislodged tendon in his right thumb which will require surgery, and  t via x-rays show 2 (two) broken bones in left hand which will require surgery. Stay tuned.

r [redacted] f and<sup>1</sup> " 1 initially attributed their discomfort to body aches as they were directed to have x-rays taken today and as a result, transportation is being arranged in order to return them to the United States where they will receive additional medical care for their injuries sustained during yesterday's attack.

As soon these personnel recover and receive a clean bill of health then they will redeploy back to Kabul as appropriate.

Should you require additional information please do not hesitate to contact me. I will keep you posted re any new developments. Thanks.

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
703-399-0012

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Dear Sir,

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One of his [redacted] is at the end of his tour and drove to Baghram and is with him at this time. We are hoping to get [redacted] as priority on the Germany flight so they may fly together however in the event there is not a seat for him Blackwater will be flying him with Blackwater's escort commercially to Germany to meet up with his [redacted]. As a result, his [redacted] has opted to await [redacted] return in Columbia, South Carolina.

The following is the contact information for [redacted] ZiP NOK for [redacted] that was injured today in Afghanistan in the event the local State Department Agent wants to reach out to him:

Contact hifbj  
Phone: [redacted]  
Address: [redacted]

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Sincerely,

[redacted] 1

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Paul -

We spoke with I [redacted] j today ( Blackwater escort for [redacted] ) and according to [redacted] 7 surgery this morning reveal gdL

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

March 22, 2007



## SPOT REPORT - 032207-01

SUBJECT: Escalation of Force - Erbil PSD team fires on aggressive vehicle.

REPORTING OFFICE: Erbil, Iraq

SUMMARY: A DynCoip PSD Team fired four rounds at an approaching vehicle; there were no apparent injuries to occupants.

REPORT: On March 19, 2007 at 1425 hrs, a COM PSD Motorcade was Raveling north along route d Erbil from the Kirkuk Regional Embassy Office ma carmotorca.de. A^the motorcade approached an Iraqi National Guard Check Point which is situated approximately 16 miles north of Kirkuk at the W/kurdish border, an orange and white colored taxi drove at a rapid speed towAMfee motorcade. The c ri was occupied by two Middle Eastern males that appeared to be in their mid-20s.

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The left and right rear PSD members of the follow vehicle attempted to signal the taxi with Sure-Fire flashlights; the taxi was approximately 1 meters ftoxn toe torade the taxi ignored the warnings. Tie PSD members then used hand and dim Mguaiâ b to gain the taxi driver's attention, but the taxi continued its approach, The left and right rear PSD members, m# ,<sup>3</sup> "Vfrt- ^<J>w ihe taxi. "Domted their weapons at the taxi, the taxi furthered. When the taxi was approximately meters from the motorcade, the left rear PSD member urea nib: rifle, SndSg toe projectiles into the vehicle's grill. As the taxi continued its approach

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After the right rear PSD member fired his weapon, the taxi came to a controlled stop; smoke began to dispense from the taxi's hood. Both men exited the taxi; there appeared to be no injuries. The motorcade continued to the USAID compound north of Erbil without further incident.

It must be noted that past insurgent tactics include attacks on motorcades at checkpoints. Lastly, this incident occurred immediately south of the Kurdish controlled area.

**RSO ACTION:** PSD members submitted statements and have been debriefed by RSO.

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**LOCATION:** Route ^between Erbil and Kirkuk

**Drafted By:** Zach Zittle, RSO Erbil

**Approved By:** Chance Rowe, RSO Kirkuk

**Cleared By:** Randall Bennett; RSO Baghdad

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

March 19, 2007



## SPOT REPORT-031907-??

**SUBJECT:** Escalation of Force - Erbil PSD team fires on aggressive vehicle.

**REPORTING OFFICE:** Erbil, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** A DynCorp PSD Team fired four rounds at an approaching vehicle; no apparent injuries to occupants.

**REPORT:** On March 19, 2007 at approximately 1425 hrs, a COM PSD Motorcade was traveling north along route ^ to Erbil from the Kirkuk Regional Embassy Office in a 1-car motorcade. As the motorcade approached an Iraqi National Guard Check Point, which is situated approximately 17 miles north of Kirkuk at the Iraqi/Kurdish border, an orange and white colored taxi drove at a rapid speed toward the rear of the motorcade. The taxi was occupied by two Middle Eastern males that appeared to be in their mid-20s.

The left and right rear PSD members of the follow vehicle attempted to signal the taxi with Sure-Fire flashlights; the taxi was approximately 10 meters from the motorcade; the taxi ignored the warnings. The PSD members then used hand and arm signals to gain the taxi driver's attention, but the taxi continued its approach. The left and right rear PSD members, in a final effort to stop the taxi, fired weapons at the taxi; the taxi furthered. When the taxi was approximately 10 feet from the motorcade, the left rear PSD member fired his rifle, sending

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After the right rear PSD member fired his weapon, the taxi came to a controlled stop; smoke began to dispense from the taxi's hood. Both men exited the taxi; there appeared to be no injuries. The motorcade continued to the USAID compound north of Erbil without further incident.

It must be noted that past insurgent tactics include attacks on motorcades at checkpoints. Lastly, this incident occurred immediately south of the Kurdish controlled area.

**RSO ACTION:** PSD members submitting statements.

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**LOCATION:** Routed between Erbil and Kirkuk

**DRAFTED BY:** RSO ZachZittle; Erbil, Iraq

**APPROVED BY:** RSO Chance Rowe Kirkuk, Iraq

**CLEARED BY:** SRSO Randall Bennett; Baghdad, Iraq

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## DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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TITLE  
COM PSD (Erbil) Fires on Aggressive Vehicle

CASE TYPE  
Use of Force

TRUE NAME  
N/A

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| POST<br>Erbil | DATE REPORTED<br>02-08-2007 | DATES INVESTIGATED<br>03/19/2007-03/19/2007 | REPORTING AGENT<br>RSO Zittie |
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## SYNOPSIS

On March 19, 2007 at approximately 1:49 AM, a COM PSD Motorcade was traveling north along route 10 from Kirkuk to Erbil. As the motorcade approached an Iraqi National Guard Check Point, which is situated approximately 16 miles north of Kirkuk at the Iraqi/Kurdish border, an orange and white colored taxi drove at a rapid speed toward the motorcade. The taxi was occupied by two Middle Eastern males that appeared to be in their mid-20s.

The left and right rear PSD members attempted to signal the taxi with their headlights; the taxi was approximately 100 meters away. The PSD members then used hand and arm signals to gain the taxi driver's attention, but the taxi continued its approach. The left and right rear PSD members, in a formation of fives, fired their weapons at the taxi; the taxi furthered. When the taxi was approximately 50 meters away, the left rear PSD member fired his rifle, sending a bullet into the side of the taxi. On the other side of the motorcade, the right rear PSD member fired his weapon, hitting the taxi's hood. Both men exited the taxi; there appeared to be no injuries. The motorcade continued to proceed USAID compound north of Erbil without further incident.

It must be noted that past insurgent tactics include attacks on motorcades at checkpoints. Lastly, this incident occurred immediately south of the Kurdish controlled area. This incident was determined by RSO Erbil to have been in accordance with use-of-force guidelines - Case Closed.

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| " PASSPORT: UNK                             | BLOOD TYPE: UNK       |        |
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| "INJURIES: None observed                    |                       |        |
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| <p>Include Who, What, When, Where, Why, Summary of Actions (Continue on subsequent pages as necessary).</p> <p>At approximately 1425 hrs. on 19 March 2007 at Grid [REDACTED] COM DynCorp Motorcade was traveling north on [REDACTED] from the regional Embassy office in a [REDACTED] car motorcade. As the motorcade came to the Iraq National Guard Check Point, an orange and white taxi occupied by two middle eastern military age males, drove at a rapid speed to the rear of the motorcade when the left and right rear gunners of the follow vehicle tried to signal the taxi with hand signals and siren fire lights but were forced to engage the vehicle with their [REDACTED] when the vehicle got within [REDACTED] meters of the motorcade. The left rear gunner fired three rounds into the vehicle's grill. The vehicle tried to approach the motorcade from the right side of the lane when the right rear engaged with one round. The vehicle came to a controlled stop with smoke rising from the hood of the vehicle before either gunners were forced to fire any more rounds. The motorcade continued and both men exited the taxi. There appeared to be no injuries. The motorcade continued [REDACTED] USAID compound north of Ertill.</p> |                                 |                       |

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| Date<br>19 March 2007                   | Time<br>1425 |
| Location<br>Between Kirkuk<br>and Erbil |              |

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I hereby make the following statement voluntarily to  
Zachery Little, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service.

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I was acting as my fr/hu, 10<sup>th</sup> RCR 1<sup>st</sup> Platoon, USAID compound in traveling from Kirkuk REO to DynCorp USAID compound in Erbil. At 1425 a orange and white taxi approached or follow vehicle from the rear. Both myself and [redacted] opened both rear doors on our vehicle and [redacted] proceeded to use visual and verbal [redacted] commands in an effort to stop the taxi from getting closer to our motorcycle. The commands were given when the taxi was approximately [redacted] meters from the follow vehicle. The driver of the vehicle failed to obey our commands and continued to close the distance to the follow vehicle. At this time I placed my weaponfire and began to repeatedly flash my surefire [redacted] the taxi while simultaneously holding my right hand up in a [redacted] raising out stop sign. The taxi driver ignored my commands and moved from the right lane to the center of the two lane road and accelerated. The vehicle was approximately [redacted] meters from the follow vehicle. At this time I placed my weaponfire and fired 3 rounds into the lower left grill of the vehicle.

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On 3/19/07 at approximately 1425 I followed vehicle (GP) in a motorcade. At approximately 1425 I witnessed through the rear view mirrors a 4 door Orange & white taxi with 2 male's in the front seat come up fast to the rear of the motorcade. At which time I heard (Left rear) and (Right Rear) shout many times to stop. I maneuvered my vehicle many times to prevent the taxi from passing the motorcade. At [redacted] noticed the taxi had closed with approximately [redacted] meter and then tried to cross the center line Highway

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**

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| TITLE                                        |                             | DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER                |                             |
| COM PSD (Kirkuk) Fires on Aggressive Vehicle |                             | 2007 - Kirkuk                                 |                             |
| TRUE NAME<br>N/A                             |                             | CASE TYPE<br>Use of Force                     |                             |
| POST<br>Kirkuk.                              | DATE REPORTED<br>03-22-2007 | DATES INVESTIGATED<br>03/23/2007 - 03/23/2007 | REPORTING AGENT<br>RSO Rowe |

**SYNOPSIS**

Summary: On March 22, 2007, at approximately 1410 hrs, a COM PSD Advance team, enroute, to Al-Sulmaliya from Kirkuk REO, fired on a vehicle after determining that the vehicle posed an immediate threat to their motorcade. This use offeree was appropriate and within the parameters of DS use-of-force policy. Injuries to the lone occupant in the threat vehicle were possible, but not observed. End Summary.

The following chain of events is derived from the statements provided by the team members involved in the shooting:

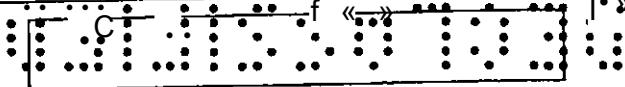
1. A PSD Advance motorcade enroute to Al-Samia from Kirkuk, approximately 75kms east of Kirkuk, as approximately, when they receive word that had a flat tire and stopped to change-tire. The Shift Leader of the Advance team decided to pull over to a side road and wait for to become operational again.
2. As flowed to pull off the road, approximately 200 meters east of a police checkpoint, the follow car well gunner, called out that a white and orange taxi had just passed a black BMW and was moving in fast behind the Advance motorcade (^ meters out). The well gunner used hand gestures as well as throwing two water bottles but the taxi continued on. At the U turn mark, called out that he was firing and fired two rounds into the grill of the vehicle. The taxi slowed but did not stop and continued. then fired one round into the windshield of the vehicle.
3. As the Advance team turned off the main road, the taxi continued driving west. There was one occupant who did not appear to be harmed. Subsequently, was back on the road as well as, . The motorcade continued to Al-Sulmaliya without further incident. Case Closed.

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| Report #:10 | Incident-Casualty Report<br>WPPS. |  | Report Date/Time:<br>23 March 2007 1400hrs. |
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| INCIDENT DATE/TIME: 22 March 2007, 1408 hrs. | INCIDENT LOCATION: Hwy 2 |
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| TOTAL ft PERSONNEL: 1 | KIA: 0 | WIA: 0 |
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| INCIDENT DESCRIPTION: Shoot to disable | METHOD: Email |
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| REPORTED BY: <b>AMERICAN AMBASSY</b> | TEL#: |
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| POINT OF CONTACT: <b>AMBASSADOR</b> |  |
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**VICTIM INFORMATION**

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| NAME (LAST, FIRST MI): Unkn  | SSN: None       | DOB: UNK |
| NATIONALITY: Unknown (local) |                 | M/F: Mx1 |
| PASSPORT: UNK                | ISSUED/EXP: UNK |          |
| NATIONALITY: UNK             | BLOOD TYPE: UNK |          |
| INJURIES: None observed      |                 |          |
| STATUS:                      |                 |          |

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| PROGNOSIS: No injuries | HOME OF RECORD: UNK | NEXT OF KIN: UNK |
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**PROPERTY/EVIDENCE**

| CODE: | DESCRIPTION:                    | VALUE: | CURRENT LOCATION:                       |
|-------|---------------------------------|--------|-----------------------------------------|
| D     | White/ Orange Taxi 4 Door Sedan | UNK    | Unknown. Last seen continuing on route. |
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**NARRATIVE**

On 03.22.07 at approximately 1410hrs [REDACTED] (herein after known as RO) was an operator on mission as PSS/ [REDACTED] in Die "Weir position in the follow vehicle in motorcade mission. RO's mission started in Kirkuk REO in movement to [REDACTED] io: an awun [REDACTED] for the movement of Ambassador Kalilzad to the residence in the Sully area.

RO was tasked to keep vehicle stomi orino up to the motorcade from the rear of the motorcade and mitigated all threats to the motorcade by utilizing the standard use of force continuum which was briefed prior to the movement by Shift Leader.

Approximately 5 miles prior to [REDACTED] 4 ro was utilizing the spotlight to deter vehicles from approaching the motorcade. A brown BMW with 2 passengers was coming with the warning to keep back 100 meters' sign marked in red on the back of the follow vehicle. After a few more miles a newer model white and orange Taxi was noticed behind the BMW at approximately [REDACTED] Meters. At approximately 2 miles East off [REDACTED] tie Taxi sped around the BMW and RO used the spotlight am) flashed the taxi, which did not comply. RO tossed 2 water bottles at the vehicle and signaled with hand gesture to stop.

RO verbalized the taxi's movement to the vehicle commander and advised that vehicle was approaching [REDACTED] meters. Fearing that the taxi was intent on attacking the motorcade due to repeated failure to heed warnings and aggressive behavior intent on pulling alongside the motorcade. RO drew [REDACTED] Jul the shooting window at the rear of the follow vehicle and fired 2 well armed shots into the taxi's grill.

The driver slowed but continued to roll towards the motorcade, closing distance. RO fired another well aimed shot into taxi driver's front windshield, at which time the vehicle pulled to the side of the road. The motorcade continued through the check point. No injuries were observed by RO.

**ADDITIONAL VICTIM INFORMATION****VICTIM INFORMATION**

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

March 26, 2007



Spot Report - 032607-01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On March 26, 2007 at 0747 hrs, a COM PSD Team, , 711 vehicle motorcade en-route to the Minister of Culture for a scheduled advance, encountered an aggressive white four-door sedan driven by two occupants. The motorcade was slowing to approach an Iraqi Police check point when the sedan maneuvered around the slowing traffic approaching the motorcade at a high rate of speed. At approximately [redacted] meters out the well gunner of the follow vehicle [redacted] vehicle) gave hand and verbal signals and at approximate[redacted]ymeters fired a pen flare to stop the sedan. At approximately^ [redacted] meters, the well gunner fired four to six well-aimed [redacted] rounds into the grill of the sedan. The sedan then slowed significantly and proceeded to come to a stop at the side of the road. The occupants did not appear to be injured. The COM PSD team continued the mission without further incident. No principles were in the motorcade and no COM personnel were injured during the incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming.**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq**Drafted By:** Christopher-WrtgK^ h,^ f f i c,^ BagRdjic,I Iraq**Cleared By:** Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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**INCIDENT****REPORT***This report may be in addition to DSJSQZfegortvg.***Date of Report:** 6 Mar 07 ^ ( p**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_**Task Order:** 6**Person Releasing Report:** Darren Hanner**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC Commander**Date of Incident:** 26 Mar 07**Time of Incident:** 0747**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater**Detail Location of Incident:** \_\_\_\_\_**Personnel Involved:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Incident Synopsis:** On 26 March 2007, at 0747, f\_\_\_\_\_] was advancing for. at the MO Culture \_\_\_\_" |A white sedan occupied by 2 males, aggressively approached the motorcade from the rear and failed to stop. In an escalation of force, the well gunner fired a 4-6 round burst from a \_\_\_\_\_ which struck the front grill and caused the vehicle to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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| Blackwater USA                       | After Action Report (AAR) |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>26 March 2007 1300 hours |
| Name _____<br><br>b6<br>b7c          | Team _____                | Situation<br><br>Shoot to disable                                                |                                                    |
| Location/Venue<br>Southeast of _____ | _____                     | Time Occurred<br>0750 hours                                                      | Date Occurred<br>26 March 2007                     |

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Ref: IncidentReportBW032607(l)WeaponsDischargeBaghdad(SLSummary)

On 25 March 2007 a, 700 Uhr Ministry of Culture. The brief started w.than.intelligence report from [REDACTED] which would begin 26 representative. The brief further include, [REDACTED] advance [REDACTED] and March 2007 at approximately 0730 hours [REDACTED] ited to possible routes to the conduct a technical site survey. [REDACTED] This mission will include, but not limited to, to include the [REDACTED] of Deadly venue, relevant intelligence information, R u ^ f f ^ TM ^ A ent f State, actions on contact and Force, the mission firearm policy and escalation of force per the uepanm actions on venue.

A, approximately 0730 hours, dogged the United for ^ day has enroute to the Ministry of Culture] This vehicle in the motorcade has clearly stenciled warnings on the rear door in red letters which ® i ^ t t i l t m i ^ J S ^ ^ ^ English and Arabic. was traveling Southeast from divided roadway towards the Ministry of Culture utilizing air horns, lights, and sirens.

approaching an Iraqi police (IP) check  
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gave the Arabic hand sign to stop. The vehicle continued to drive at a high rate of speed towards  
follow vehicle, from a distance inside] meters.

<sup>g</sup> now felt the vehicle was a threat. to the M . ll means possible in the  
V^STES that all other local national traffic was to stop. After fired a 4 urtmg b^ p ^ ^ ^ pos  
escalation of force policy to get the aggressive vehicle to stop. issued towards the grill area of the vehicle attempting to disable it. The vehicle immediately  
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| Blackwater USA                       | After Action Report (AAR) |  | Dale/Time of Statement<br><b>26 March 2007 1300 hours</b> |
| Name <b>b6 b7c</b>                   | Team                      | Situation<br><b>Shoot to disable</b>                                             |                                                           |
| Locator/Venue<br><b>Southeast of</b> | Js's                      | Time Occurred<br><b>07505t&lt;Ju^#</b>                                           | Date Occurred<br><b>26 March 2007</b>                     |

b7E,F stated that he saw the rounds impact into the grill and hood area of t ^ g ^ s i v e vehicle. He stated that he did not observe any injuries, casualties, or damage to other property. The RSO JO wa^ immediately notified of the shoot to disable by the Shift Leader A. The TOC was advised the vehicles description, disposition, and that there were no injuries sustained during the incident sustained no injuries or vehicle damage and continued with the mission. Once secure in the IZ, the RSO sus oinju 1 shift leader and provided with a more detailed account of the TOC was contacted by the //END//

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| Date          | Time                    |
| 26 March 2007 | Approx 1100 hours       |
| Location      | WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |

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, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

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## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

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## **Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threats.**

On 9R Marrh 2007 at approximately 0750 hours, our motorcade was traveling southeast from [REDACTED] towards our venue [REDACTED]. I was assigned to the follow vehicle in the right rear seat. My vehicle was the [REDACTED] vehicle in a [REDACTED] suburban motorcade. Our vehicles were driving with the emergency lights and sirens on, as well as using the horns to alert traffic of our presence. All of our vehicles have the words "Warning-Stay Back 100 Meters" stenciled in English and Arabic on the back doors.

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The white four door sedan was traveling in the same direction that we were. There were approximately 5 other vehicles in the same area as the white four door sedan that were yielding to our motorcade and the warnings given. At this time, I saw the follow vehicle well gunner, f.a.cn give visual warnings using a spot light. The vehicle was \_\_\_\_ meters away at this time. I d^sreaarded aH warnings and continued toward our motorcade at a high rate of speed while weaving through other local national traffic that was yielding to our motorcade. When the aggressive vehicle was approximately \_\_\_\_ meters from my position, the \_\_\_\_ vehicle well gunner fired one pen flare in an attempt to alert the driver of the aggressive vehicle to stop. The pen flare skipped off the pavement and bounced directly in front of the vehicle. Even after the pen flare impacted directly in front of the aggressive vehicle, the vehicle continued to advance. All the other vehicles in the roadway around slowed and came to a stop, but the aggressive vehicle did not slow down and the driver showed no intent that he was going to stop. At this time I felt the suspect vehicle was an imminent threat to me and my team.

Fearina for my life and the life of my teammates, I cracked the door giving the Arabic hand signal to stop and was in the process of waving my Department of State issued weapon at the aggressive vehicle in an attempt to get the driver to acknowledge me and to stop his vehicle. I gave the driver ample time after the well gunner fired the pen flare to either stop or slow down.

Which he did neither vehicle was now approximately [ ] meters [ ] when I heard a S t r i c k z from K S S S S S i gift re H & e p «06 Situation. I witnessed several rounds impacting into the grill of the aggressive vehicle. The shots were well aimed and very effective in disabling the vehicle and stopping the threat to our motorcade. Seconds later, the aggressive vehicle coasted to a complete stop.

As our motorcade began moving again, the aggressive vehicle did not follow. I did not see the driver or passenger exit the vehicle. I reported the incident to my Shift Leader through internal communications. No additional damage occurred and no injuries to the occupants of the suspect vehicle were observed. No [ ] personnel from the follow vehicle were injured nor were the follow vehicle damaged. We continued to the our venue [ ] without further incident.///END///

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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## **Sworn Statement**

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| Date<br>26 March 2007                   | Time<br>1030 Hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Man Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                    |

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

I attended WPRS training with SlakKwaeC-... tracina included motorcade operations, Rules of Engagement, firearrfe qHbficaJoTiS-and Shfiot/don't shoot training. The training also involved w'dapot® mappolatioiraTong'witiqualifications on the \_\_\_\_\_ I \_\_\_\_\_ ) under Department of State Policies. I was subsequently assigned to

Baghdad, Iraq where I was signecl to Mn'AdvÊrjoe tep^n. ^ porting numerous PSD missions in support of the DêpaTMiefit di'Stâté. \*\* \* \*

In \_\_\_\_\_ j attended WPPS II, where I received training that included shooting from a moving vehicle and weapons qualifications on all the weapons systems authorized by the Department of States Programs. In \_\_\_\_\_ I redeployed to Baghdad, and was assigned tof \_\_\_\_\_, TST. Inf \_\_\_\_\_ I was assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ an Advance Team for PSD Teams. While assigned to WPPS Iraq I have continued to maintain all mandatory weapons qualifications.

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### Incident

On 25 March, 2007 at approximately 1700 hours, \\_\_\_\_ I held a pre-mission brief for an up coming mission for 26 March 2007. This mission was for \\_\_\_\_ to conduct an advance for \\_\_\_\_ to attend a meeting at the Ministry of Culture \\_\_\_\_. This mission brief included, but was not limited to, routes to the venue, significant intelligence information, Rules of Engagement (ROE), escalation of force, definition of Deadly Force, actions on contact and actions on venue.

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On 26 March 2007 at approximately 0715 hours, \\_\_\_\_ reviewed the mission brief, including the routes to venue, latest intelligence brief, rules of engagement, escalation of force and the definition of Deadly Force, i\_\_\_\_\_j departed the International Zone (IZ) to the venue at approximately 0730 hours. My duties as the well position ofr~ follow vehicle is to maintain a safety zone behind the follow vehicle utilizing the following non lethal tactics:" ~ ~

On 26 March, 2007 at approximately 0750 Hours, I was assigned to the follow vehicle well position for: ^ advance team. My primary weappnjs^hePTZIZI A My team was traveling southeast of \\_\_\_\_ Jin route to venue\\_\_\_\_i This road is a four-lane road, with a concretemedian, separating two lanes on each side of the road, into their respective directions of travel. All vehicles in the same lanes traveling in our direction were niaintaining a safe distance from our motorcade, with a safety zone of about, \_\_\_\_ meters. The

vehicle in our motorcade has written warnings in both English and Arabic that state "Warning, Stay Back 100 Meters." It was at that time that I noticed a white four door sedan with what appeared to be two male front seat occupants maneuvering through the stopped traffic in an attempt to get to the front of the traffic. I advised) \\_\_\_\_..follow vehicle team members of the aggressive vehicle's actions. The aggressive vehicle passed the other vehicles, which had already stopped, and accelerated towards our motorcade. The vehicle disregarded the written warning on the back of our vehicle. The driver conducted aggressive maneuvers which are utilized by insurgents to attack motorcades in the past. I flashed the spotlight several times, warning the vehicle to stop. The aggressive vehicle continued towards our motorcade and was now approximately^meters from the follow, vehicle. I informed my team members that a pen flare would be deployed, and then.djsahigrged Jhg pen fter^.Jhej)§n.fteu^ s.tfick the road 20 meters directly in front of the agres\$îZe VQhfcler:iiTim^drcftelj ɔ terlhisj gaSelittle Arabic hand signal that means stop but the vehicle corftirüecfto 'cfrive'at a'fiiigh'rate of speecftowards our vehicle.

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The vehicle immediately decreased speed and veered to the right,, stopping behind a concrete "Jersey" barrier. I did not observe any injuries, casualties, or damage to other property. I immediately told my Shift Leader of the vehicle description and approximate number of rounds fired. I also informed the Shift Leader~~that~~ the vehicle had stopped and was no longer posing an imminent threat to our motorcade.' \_\_\_\_\_ jthen continued on our mission without further incident.

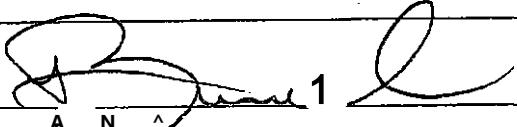
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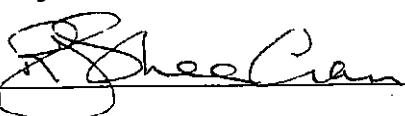
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**U.S. Embassy - Baghdad**

March 26, 2007

**Spot Report - 032607-02****Subject:** COM TST Team Fires on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On March 26, 2007 at 0813 hrs, a COM TST Team vehicle motorcade en-route to staging area accoutered an aggressive white four-door BMW sedan driven by two male occupants. The motorcade was traveling down a one lane road when the sedan approached the motorcade at a high rate of speed. At approximately ^ meters out the top rear gunner of the

vehicle gave hand and verbal signals and at approximately | meters fired a pen flare to stop the sedan. At approximately | meters, the top rear gunner fired two well-aimed, | rounds into the grill of the sedan. The sedan then came to a complete stop. The occupants did not appear to be injured.

At 1023 hours, the COM TST Team was en-route to their staging area after supporting a COM PSD team when they encountered an aggressive white four-door sedan driven by two occupants. The motorcade was traveling down a two lane road when the sedan pulled out of stopped traffic and into the motorcade. At approximately ^/meters out the top front gunner of the lead vehicle (first vehicle) gave hand and verbal signals and at approximately | .meters, the top front gunner fired three well-aimed) rounds into the ^ ill of the sedan. The sedan then came to a complete stop and the occupants pitl tk'eif haftcfe l n the ajf: If c w u j w t j d i d not appeal" to be injured. COM TST f&rf cWfttfntfedthe mission wirtrout-Rirther incident.

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**RSO Action:** PSD

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**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

**Drafted By:** Christopher Wright, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq

**Cleared By:** Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00099

Required Case Info

CaseTitle: 20070326 EOF by [REDACTED]

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATIVE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

Categories:

- GENERAL

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-05157

Optional Case Info

"impact: NOT SPECIFIED

principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

- IRAQ

Violations:

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

Case Origin/Source

Source Organization: RSO TOC

Name: ARSO Therm Bunnell

Phone:

Source Comments:

Personnel Assignment

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| Carpenter, Theodore | ASAC | BAGHDAD |
| Reta, Mario         | ARSO | BAGHDAD |

Synopsis

On March 25-2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) ^ X ' ^ F O B S h ^ liefe ^ was involved in use of force incidents while en-route to FOB Shield, mere were no known injuries or damages to COM property or personnel. The 3 S S was reported immediately to the RSO TOC (see team member statements for further details). The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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| RS-2007-00319  | 20070326 EOF by L.'u.p | CASE FINAL                | 11-SEP-07   |
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| ADMINISTRATIVE | REGIONAL SECURITY      | 26-MAR-07 - 27-MAR-07     |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status            | Open/Close Case Dates     |             |
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On March 26, 2007 a Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Detail (PSD), \_\_\_\_\_ was involved in use offeree incidents while en-route to FOB Shield engaged a vehicle occupied by 2 males on two different occasions. \_\_\_\_\_ was driving with visible lights and sirens." \_\_\_\_\_ members noticed that a white sedan occupied by two males pulled out of an alley and maneuver through stopped traffic towards the motorcade. The vehicle disregarded verbal and arm/hand signals, and being driven in an aggressive manner by a male. The PSD member then fired multiple well aimed shots at the vehicle, striking and disabling the vehicle. The use offeree was reported to the shift leader, and then reported by the shift leader to the RSO TOC.

\_\_\_\_\_ members were later again traveling to FOB Shield and in counter flow traffic when they noticed a white sedan again occupied by two males drive towards the motorcade, disregarded verbal and arm/hand signals, and being driven in an aggressive manner by a male. The suspicious vehicle entered the motorcade between the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle and the lead vehicle, and was attempting to move towards the lead vehicle ignoring all commands/signals. The PSD member then fired multiple well aimed shots at the vehicle, striking and disabling the vehicle. The use offeree was reported to the shift leader, and then reported by the shift leader to the RSO TOC.

There was no damage to COM property or personnel. All members involved were interviewed by DS Special Agents Theron Q. Bunnell and William Embry. See enclosed sworn statements. The escalation offeree was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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Reta, Mario

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 26 Mar 07

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: Operations Chief

Date of Incident: 26 Mar 07

Time of Incident: 0814

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

#### **Detail Location of Incident:**

#### **Personnel Involved:**

Incident Synopsis: On 26 March 2007, at 0814, [REDACTED] a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised off [REDACTED]/ehicles was in route to their staging area to support IPD teams. The TST was traveling in [REDACTED]"southerly direction and in the vicinity of [REDACTED]/when a white sedan approached from the rear. The driver of the sedan failed to obey several commands to stop and aggressively started to close in on the rear of the TST. In an escalation of force, two [REDACTED] rounds were fired, by the turret gunner of the follow vehicle, with the rounds impacting the grill area of the sedan causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles." The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: Operations Chief

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Date of Incident: 26 Mar 07

Time of Incident: 1025

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident:

Personnel Involved: J

**Incident Synopsis:** On 26 March 2007, at 1025, [ Z Z ] a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of ^ vehicles was in route to their staging area to support other teams. The TST was traveling in a northerly direction and in the vicinity of [ ] when a white sedan approached from the rear. The driver of the sedan failed to obey several commands to stop and aggressively started to close in on the rear of the TST. In an escalation of force, two rounds were fired, by the turret gunner of the follow vehicle, with the rounds impacting the grill area of the sedan causing it to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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| Blackwater USA                            | After Action Report (AAH) | P^J^                                             | Date/Time of Statement<br>26 March 2007 1300 hours |
| Name<br><i>b6 b7c</i>                     | Team<br><i>1*** I</i>     | Situation<br><i>Tijie ptcurro Appt)x*0805hrs</i> | Shoot to Disable                                   |
| Location/Venue<br>Vicinity Of<br><i>J</i> |                           |                                                  | Date Occurred<br>26 March 2007                     |

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On 26 March 2007 at approximately 07001.ours area: The brief started with brief further included a detailed list of the (i-ams) T ^ g ^ li mission firearms policy and escalation of force, be visiting, and any direct threats to their nutes and venues. The per Department of State, was also covered by the

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The follow vehicle turret PSS felt an imminent threat to himself and that of his teammates, thus causing him to escalate his use of an attempt to disable the vehicle. The driver of aimed shots into the suspect vehicles The driver and passenger then raised both came to a complete stop at approximately [Jm^jom hands in the air in a surrendering gesture. The turret Pbb no long S S c t n : normal sectors. The were no i n j u r i e s 1. The TOC was advised of the vechiclesde^P^o Once secure at FOB Shields, thej during the incident. incurred no injuries . vehic i da^age SL contacted the RSO TOC and provided a more detailed account of the incident.//END//

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| Blackwater USA                                         | After Action Report (AAR) |             |                                  | BLWATER                        | Date/Time of Statement<br>26 March 2007 1600 hours |
| Name _____<br>_____<br>Location/Venue<br>Vic. Of-_____ | loC<br>I*7C               | Team<br>TST | Situation<br>Shoot to Disable    | b W -<br>u<br>b7C              |                                                    |
|                                                        |                           |             | Time Occurred<br>jiOrpgKjx. 1025 | Date Occurred<br>26 March 2007 |                                                    |

**IncidentReportBW032607(3) WeaponsDischargeBaghdad(SLSumraary)**

On 26 March 2007 at approximately 0700 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ conducted a pre mission brief for the days run. The mission brief included an intelligence brief given by our imbedded intelligence analyst, a detailed brief of all the teams operating in the Red Zone, and ended with the rules of engagement and levels of force per State Department Mission Firearms policy.

On 26 March 2007 at approximately 1025 hours, P \_\_\_\_\_ was in en-route to stage in the area of Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shield to be more closely located to numerous Chief of Mission teams operating in the area. I \_\_\_\_\_ was traveling northwest near \_\_\_\_\_ and encountered heavy traffic. ^ \_\_\_\_\_ attempted to drive through but had to cross into the counter flow lanes in order to do so. (turret gunners halted the traffic to the right. Lead turret gunner) \_\_\_\_\_ directed the oncoming traffic to the left side of the roadway in an attempt to create a lane for \_\_\_\_\_ All traffic to the right (regular flow lane) was stopped by both the turret gunners and by an Iraqi Policeman (IP) posted at the intersection. b7E, F

\_\_\_\_\_ motorcade continued northwest toward the intersection, when a white four door sedan occupied by 2 males, drove into the motorcade between the vehicle. \_\_\_\_\_ was traveling with emergency lights and sirens activated and the drivers were sounding their air horns in an attempt to alert the local traffic to the motorcades approach. Each vehicle has "Warning, stay back 100 meters" stenciled in red on the rear of the vehicles. Additionally, the \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles also have the warning stenciled on each side of the vehicle. The warning is in English and Arabic. b7E, F

The driver of the white sedan entered the counter flow lanes and sped toward the rear of the lead vehicle. The driver had disregarded the Iraqi Policeman (IP), as well as, the verbal and visual commands given by 1 Jturret gunners. The suspect vehicle continued toward the lead vehicle. The rear turret gunner of "the lead vehicle" \_\_\_\_\_ I shouted "KIFF, KIFF" meaning to stop in Arabic, and pointed his State Department issued! \_\_\_\_\_ at the driver of the suspect vehicle. The driver of the suspect vehicle ignored the commands, and continued towards \_\_\_\_\_ vehicle. \_\_\_\_\_ was now in fear for his life and that of his teammates. The vehicle was approximately ^ meters from' \_\_\_\_\_ when he fired 3 shots into the hood of the suspect vehicle. \_\_\_\_\_ /ired the shots in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The suspect vehicle immediately came to a stop and the driver and passenger raised their hands in a surrendering manner. The Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) was approximately \^ meters from the sedan and swerved to the left to avoid colliding with the stopped vehicle. The driver and passenger of the suspect vehicle did not appear to be injured. Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ (notified the RSO Tactical Operation Center (TOC) of the shoot to disable. Continued to FOB Shield without further incident. staged at FOB Shield in support of follow on missions. There were no injuries to any members of \_\_\_\_\_ and no vehicles were damaged.//END// b6, b7C c t=7C b7E, F

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>26 March 2007               | Time<br>Approx. 1430 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I, [redacted] b6 b7c hereby make the following statement at the request of

" T k ^ m J ^ w oa QAQPil who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

**General Military/Civilian Experience**V>U#  
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In [redacted] I attended Jhe faPlfS' IEtraipiijg at Blap^er USA. frlceived additional training in the use of mes. i ^ ^ Z Z I ^ ' 0 ^ ^ ' ^ 3 ^ m t f e r o f ^ protettiva detail, firing from a moving platform, and shoòt/no shoot scenarios. I accepted a contract with Blackwater and deployed to Baghdad, in support of the US Department of State Mission in Iraq. I am currently assigned to [redacted] Tactical Support Team (TST).

### Incident

On 26 March 2007 at approximately 0700 hours, [redacted] held a pre-mission brief. The brief was given by my Shift Leader [redacted] and included a detailed list of the [redacted] teams that we would be supporting in the Red Zone. The pre-mission brief includ'ed an updated.intelligence report for the day, the rules of engagement per the mission firearm; policy, escalation of force, and threats to the specific routes utilized by the Raven teams. Intelligence for the day also included recent information regarding Improvised Explosive Device (IED) and Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threats.

On 26 March 2007 at approximately 1025 hours, our motorcade was returning to our staging area at FOB Shield from<sup>1</sup> [redacted] (Wedha Water Treatment Facility). While returning to Forward

Operating Base (FOB) Shield, our motorcade was traveling northwest near [redacted]. [redacted] was assigned to the Rear Turret of the Lead Vehicle, in a [redacted] vehicle motorcade. Our vehicles were operating with the emergency lights and sirens on,, as well as using the air horns,to alert traffic of our presence. All of our vehicles have the words 'Warning-Stay Back 100 Meters stenciled in both English and Arabic on the back of the vehicles.

As we approached the intersection northeast of [redacted] our motorcade encountered severely congested traffic and crossed over to the counter flow side of the road.. The lead gunner d [redacted] / and I were directing the few vehicles on my left to move to the side of the road We gave loud verbal commands for the drivers to stop shouting "Kir (Arabic for stop) and used hand signals to get the drivers attention. With the assistance of an Iraqi Policemen (IP), [redacted] and I had the traffic to the right of the motorcade stopped. The IP continued to assist in clearing the intersection. All traffic to the right and rear of the motorcade was directed to remain stopped by myself and the other turret gunners. At this time, all traffic to the left, right, and rear of the lead vehicle was complexly stopped. As our lead vehicle continued to counter flow, all traffic remained stopped and the ^jvehicle in the motorcade, the ERV (Emergency Response Vehicle) crossed the median into the counter flow lane.

Immediately a white four door sedan, with two male occupants accelerated from a stopped position traveling toward the rear of our lead vehicle. The suspect vehicle had been stopped but the driver was now ignoring my verbal and visual commands to stop as well as the commands from the IP. The suspect vehicle was on a direct course to drive into the rear of my vehicle. The vehicle was approximately Hmeters from me, and I believed the vehicle was a VBIED. Fearing for my life and that of my teammates, I raised my Department of State issued! [redacted] rifle, pointing it toward the suspect vehicle in an attempt tft gfitte dgvgr tp.ac^o.wled&e me and to stop his vehicle. The driver of the vehicle did not respond to several Warnings or the ph^ical warning presented by myTHj pointing at him. Due to the speed and close proximity, I did not have sufficient time to fire a pen flare.

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At our motorcade continued toward FOB Shield, I reported the shoot to disable to my Tactical Commander (TC), 3 J over the inter-team radio. My Shift Leader, [ ] ^<sup>6</sup>, 7C notified the RSO TOC of the incident. NQT~ [personnel were injured, nor were any] b7E, F 'j vehicles damaged. We continued into FOB Shield without further incident where we staged for follow on missions.//END//

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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| Signed  |  |
| Printed | Theron Burnell                                                                      |

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Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>26 March 2007               | Time<br>Approx.. 1425 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                             |

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#### General Military/Civilian Experience

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In A I was selected by Blackwater Security Consulting to attend the US Department of State High Threat Protection Course. I was further trained on shoot or no shoot scenarios, operating as a member of a protective detail, shooting from a mobile platform, target and threat identification; Si^WeU as .:ri!le6\*öf£l1gSigferent\ \*\*: \*:  
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## Incident

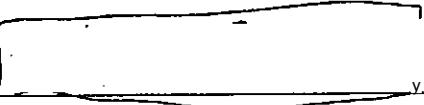
On 26 March 2007 at approximately 0700 hours, we conducted a pre-mission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of all teams that we would be supporting during the day, and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the continuing threat of VBIED's (Vehicle.Borne Improvised Explosive Devices) in our area of operations.

At approximately 1025 hours, while traveling to the south side of Forward Operating Base (FOB) b7E, f Shield ( [REDACTED] four motorcade approached the area of [REDACTED] ) We were traveling northwest through heavy traffic in the counter-flow lane. All oncoming traffic moved off to the left side of the road in an effort to clear the road for [REDACTED] As we approached the intersection southwest of [REDACTED] I observed the turret gunners of the lead vehicle using hand and arm signals to move traffic out of the way. Our vehicles are clearly marked with red stenciling "Warning, stay back 100 meters", in both Arabic and English. Our [REDACTED] vehicle motorcade was also utilizing the emergency lights and sirens to warn the vehicles of our presence. Our drivers were sounding the vehicle air horns as we appioachedl intersections. I observed approximately 4 vehicles that had moved to the right side of the road as we approached" [REDACTED]

After the lead vehicle passed these vehicles, I observed a white, four-door sedan swerve back out into traffic and accelerate towards the lead vehicle. The vehicle had entered our motorcade directly in front of my vehicle, the Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV). I observed<sup>b7C</sup> [REDACTED] the rear turret gunner in the lead vehicle, raise the muzzle of hisf [REDACTED] rifle in an effort to alert the driver he {, % ^ needed to stop immediately. It also appeared that the turret gunner was yelling verbal commands to the driver of the suspect vehicle. The suspect vehicle continued to move forward towards the lead vehicle when the rear turret gunner<sup>b7C</sup> [REDACTED] 5 fired 3 shots into the hood of the suspect vehicle [REDACTED] in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The suspicious vehicle came to an immediate stop in the center of the lane causing me to swerve the Emergency Response Vehicle wide left to gain safe passage by the now stopped vehicle. As my vehicle passed by the suspect vehicle, I could only see a male driver with his hands up in a surrender position. I observed no injuries to the driver. I heard the Shift Lead' [REDACTED] ~ report the disabling shots to the RSO Tactical Operations Center and we continued on to FOB Shield without further incident.//END///

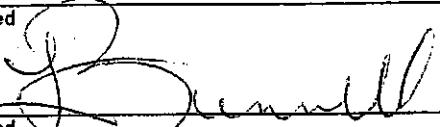
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March 2007.

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>26 March 2007               | Time<br>Approx. 1300 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I, J <sup>b6  
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HTU-tLr>w (af.IH:j.l), who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## General Military/Civilian Experience

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In            I was hired by Blackwater USA and was trained to the DOS WPPS II standard. I received training in shooting from a moving vehicle and shoot/don't shoot scenarios in urban terrain and attack on principal drills. After completing WPPS II training, I was deployed to Baghdad, Iraq and was assigned to            J TST until current.

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At approximately 0800 hours, we departed our staging area en route to \_\_\_\_\_ —r \_\_\_\_\_  
1 \_\_\_\_\_ illo support teams moving through the area. We were traveling in a vehicle  
motorcade. I was the rear turret gunner in the j vehicle (Saxon). All, [vehicles in our  
motorcade have "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the back and both the second and  
fourth vehicles have the warning stenciled on their sides as well. The warning is written in both  
English and Arabic.

Our motorcade was traveling Southwest from! \_\_\_\_\_ -^; towards FOB  
Shields) \_\_\_\_\_ /with the emergency lights and sirens activated to alert local  
traffic of our presence. As our motorcade passed through the neighborhood, it was obvious that  
heavy construction was under way in this area. Every road was a potential choke point due to the  
trenches and construction on both sides of the road. As we passed several small alleys, I observed  
a white BMW four-door sedan with 2 male occupants that turned onto the road directly behind us at  
approximately ^ meters away. I immediately went to my verbal commands, "Kiff, Kiff, Kiff"  
meaning to stop in Arabic, and I also gave hand and arm signals to stop. The suspect vehicle  
continued to pick up speed. When the vehicle was approximately! [meters away, I fired a pen  
flare just over the roof of the vehicle in an attempt to get the suspect vehicle's driver to stop. The  
driver made no visible attempt to stop.

At this time, due to the proximity and speed of the suspect vehicle combined with the non-  
compliance to numerous warnings, I was in fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. When  
the vehicle was approximately ^ meters away from our motorcade, I fired two rounds into the grill  
of the suspect vehicle in an attempt to disable it. The driver immediately stopped the vehicle. I  
could see the driver and passenger raise their hands in a surrendering gesture. There were no  
apparent injuries to the driver or occupant. Our Shift Leader f J contacted the RSO  
TOO (Tactical Operations Center) with the situation, make, and model of the vehicle, and advised  
that there were no injuries. No personnel were injured. We continued to Forward  
Operating Base Shields without further incident.//End///

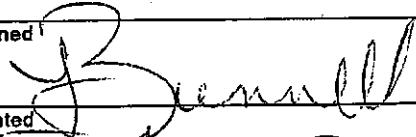
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2007.

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# **Sworn Statement**

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| Date<br>March 26, 2007              | Time<br>Approximately 1300 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                  |

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## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

In \_\_\_\_\_ I was trained to the US State Department standards for World Wide Personal Protective Services (WPPS II). From \_\_\_\_\_ [to present, I have worked on the Tactical Support Team (TST) \_\_\_\_\_] in Baghdad Iraq. During that time, I have been further trained on advanced weapons tactics and levels of escalation of force in accordance with the Department of State directives.

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I, [REDACTED] was working as a Fire Team member in the Follow Vehicle (FV) of\* [REDACTED] motorcade. My vehicle was the last of a [REDACTED] car motorcade. Our motorcade was tasked as a Quick Reaction Force for several teams operating outside the International Zone in Baghdad.

Our motorcade was traveling Southwest from) [REDACTED] towards [REDACTED] Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shields t [REDACTED] /with the emergency lights and sirens activated to warn local traffic that we were in the area. As our motorcade passed through the neighborhood, I noticed that heavy construction was taking place causing higher than normal traffic congestion. Trenches and construction on both sides of the road made travel extremely slow. As we passed several small intersections, I observed a white BMW four door sedan with 2 male occupants directly behind us at approximately 120 meters away. As we continued down the street, the suspect vehicle behind us began to approach the rear of our motorcade at an accelerated speed.

The rear of my vehicle has clearly stenciled the words, "Warning, stay back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic. I heard [REDACTED] yell out the oral commands, "Kiff, Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic. The suspect vehicle continued to accelerate towards the rear of our motorcade. I saw the pen flare that T [REDACTED] launched just above the suspect vehicle's hood. The vehicle continued on its path towards the motorcade. I felt the vehicle posed a significant threat to our motorcade and was in fear for the team's safety. Within four to six seconds later, I saw two rounds impact the grille of the suspect vehicle. At that moment the vehicle came to complete halt. The driver and passenger of the suspect vehicle appeared to be uninjured because I saw them raise their hands in the air after they had stopped. I heard my Shift Leader ^ [REDACTED] "contacting the RSO TOO of the shoot to disable. No [REDACTED] personnel were injured nor were any of our vehicles damaged. We continued on with our mission without further incident.//END//

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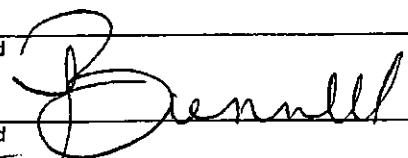
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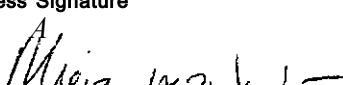
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| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE |                                                                                   |

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## INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

Date of Report: 27 March 1978

**Location:** Kabul .. v .. ::

## Task Order: 0004

### **Person Releasing Report:**

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RSO TOC

**Date of Incident:** 27 March 07

**Time of Incident: 0915 Kabul**

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** South of US Embassy at Soccer Circle

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#### **Personnel Involved:]**

## **Incident Synopsis**

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At approximately 0915 hours, an Embassy Protective Detail's (EPD      ) convoy was hit by a bicycle borne-IED approximately four miles south of the Embassy in the vicinity of "Soccer Circle." The convoy was en-route to the Provincial Reconstruction Team (PRT) in Gardez. Initial reports indicate there was only minor damage to one of the vehicles with no injuries to personnel. No direct hire employees were in the convoy at the time it was hit. The decision was made to have the convoy proceed to U.S. Forward Operating Base (FOB) in Logar Province to further assess damages and return to Kabul.

Motor pool was immediately shut down along with the North and South Checkpoints. Anyone off compound was informed to remain at their location or go directly to a safe haven. As of 1000 hours the Embassy has returned to normal operations.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, BW PM, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DoS Spot Report



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Kabul, Afghanistan



# After Action Review for 27 March, 2007 IED Attack

# MISSION

On 27 March 2007 at 0900 hours, ██████████ was enroute to ██████████  
(Gardez PRT) to pickup ██████████ then RTB

# Summary of Events

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and f l B vehicle [ ] of the motorcade. On initial impact  
vehicles gave a situation report over the radio and continued  
approximately 700 meters, H I ^ H i i H U H H H B a 9 a s  
station. Each vehicle conducted a personnel and equipment check.  
Once concluded that everything was operational, H H I H H  
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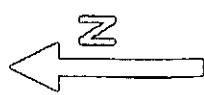
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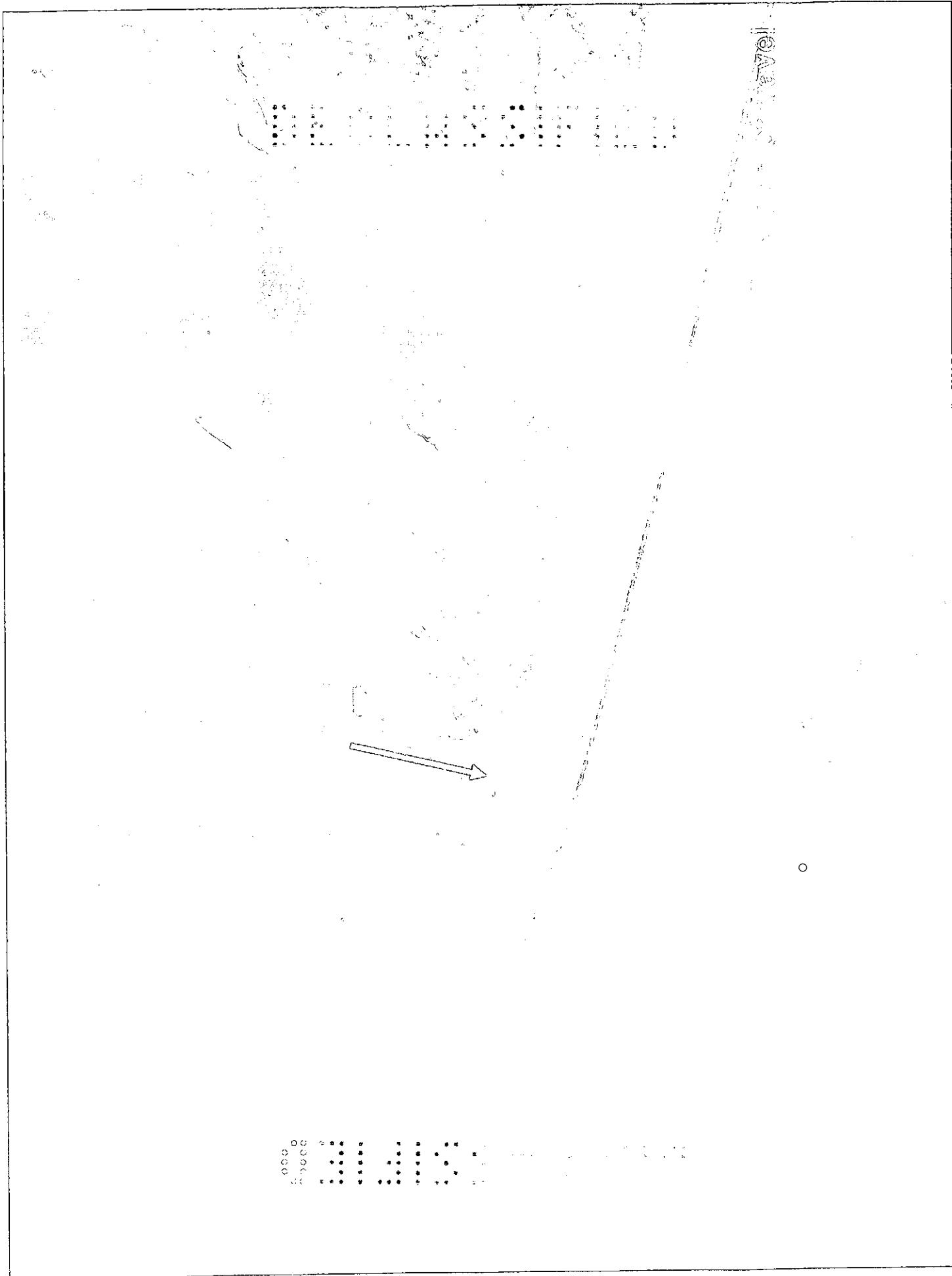
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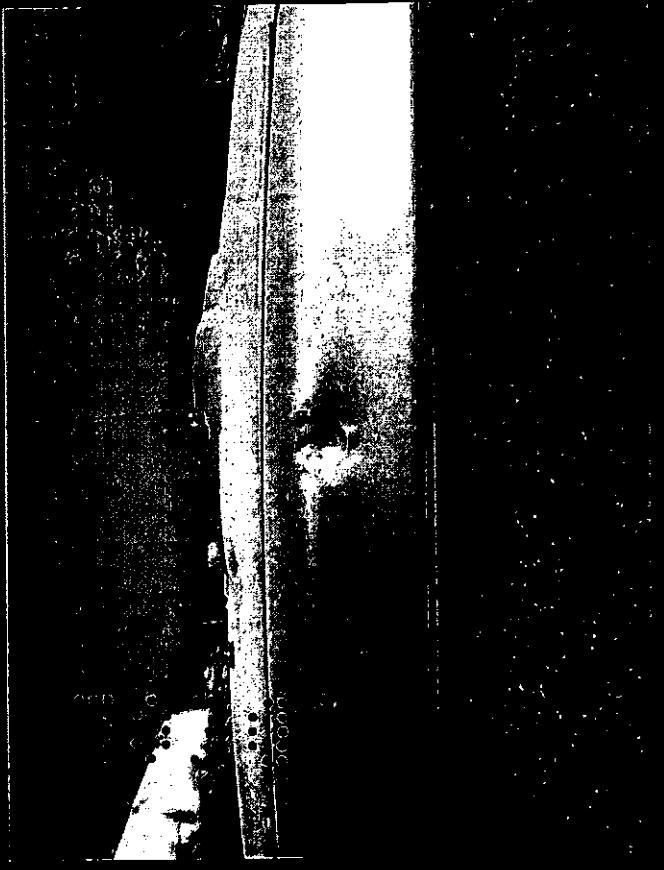
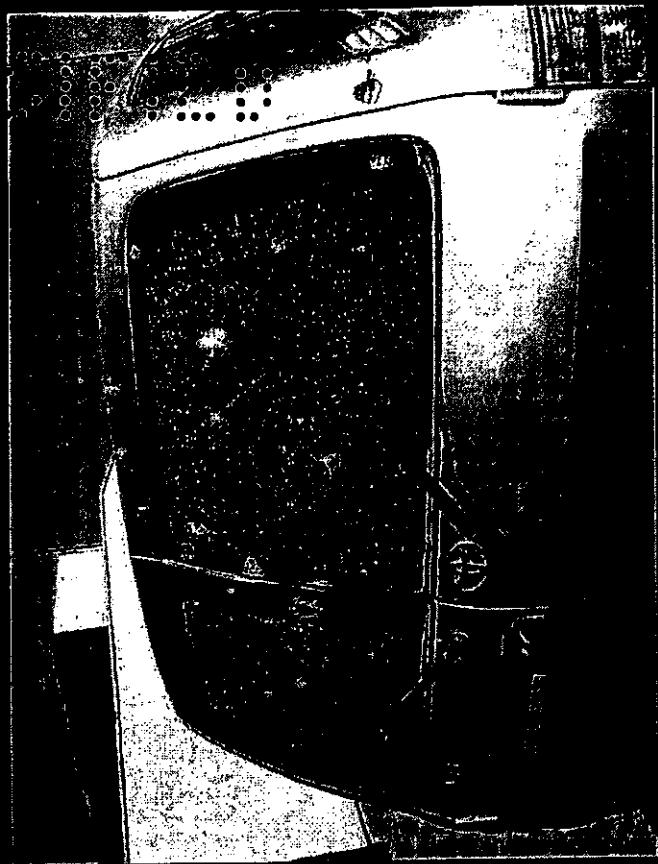


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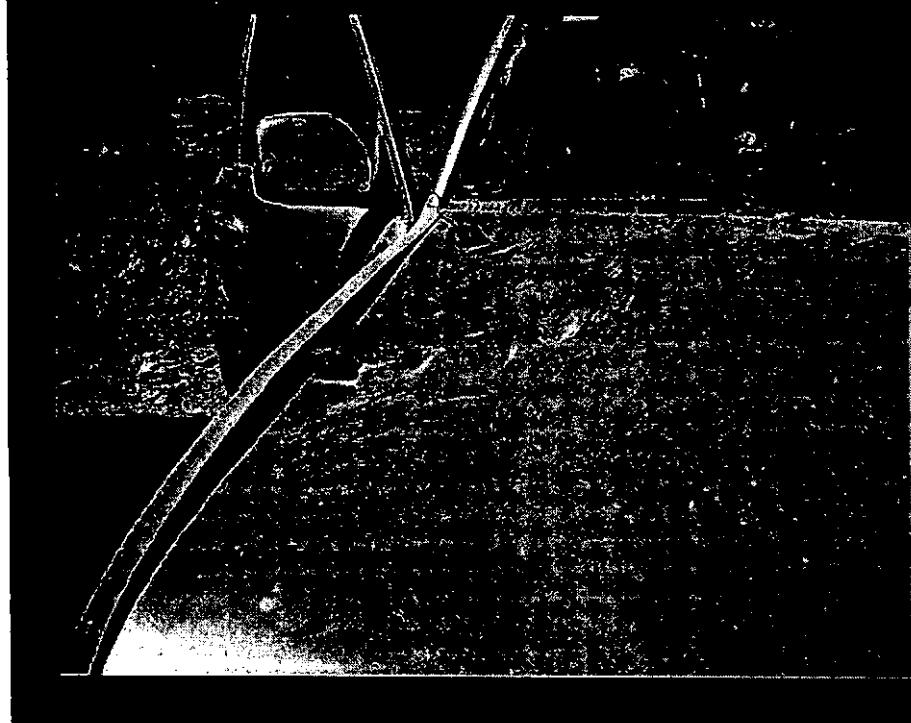
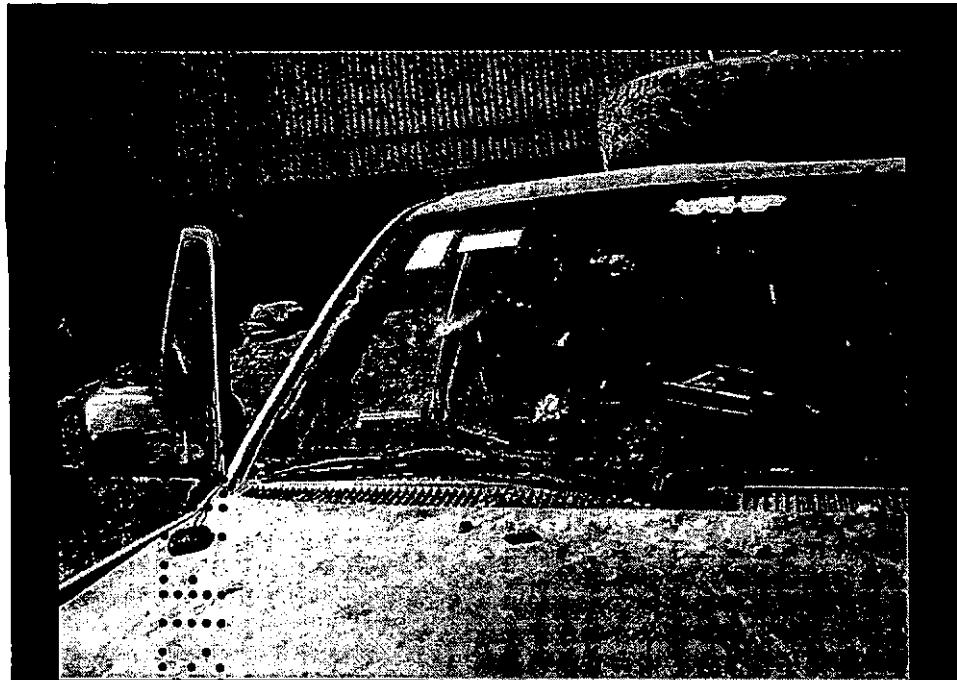
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LEAD VEHICLE DAMAGE



## LIMO VEHICLE DAMAGE





FOLLOW VEHICLE DAMAGE



# KEY POINTS

- H H M m o t o r c a d e was spread out  
reducing the damage to all vehicles
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]
- ANA was on site before and after the attack.
- Numerous local nationals enroute had cell phones, as well as handheld radios
- Most likely a RC or command detonation.

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Location: Baṣrah•REO; Iraq: : : : : : : : : : : : : :

Task Order: 007

**Person Releasing Report:** JeffHuber

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 04 April 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 1122 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 04 April 07, at approximately 1122 hours, an RPG was fired **at the** front position of the Basrah Embassy Compound. The compound warning system was then activated. **Accountability** of all personnel was taken. There was 1 launch and 1 impact. The impact was IVOI . b"7^1"

There was slight damage to the compound wall next to

Three of the TCN guard force personnel sustained minor injuries consisting a small scratch on one of the TCN's cheek and ears ringing. They were moved to the compound treatment facility. Their names are f . . . . . 1 %c

The all clear was sounded at approximately 1200 hours.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** All three TCN's were examined by our Medical Officer. His exam didn't identify any injuries to include their inner ears. They will be monitored for the next several days with follow-up exams.

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**Additional Reports Generated:** Any negative effects from follow-on exam will be reported

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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

April 10, 2007

## SPOT REPORT - 041007- 01

**SUBJECT:** Tactical Support Team (TST) Fires on an Aggressive Vehicle**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On April 10, 2007 at 1244 hrs, a Chief of Mission (COM) Tactical Support Team (TST) was proceeding southeast in the left hand lane of a four lane divided street escorting a COM PSD team. The motorcade consisted of [redacted] armored vehicles and was returning back to the International zone. As the motorcade moved down the street they approached an intersection with a merge lane. The lead vehicle in the motorcade, a "Puma" armored car acting as the command vehicle, [redacted] r [redacted] ~j to allow the remainder of the motorcade to proceed. During this time the motorcade <sup>was</sup> traveling with lights flashing and sirens blaring to warn local national drivers.

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As the motorcade was moving through the intersection, the gunner in the turret of the Puma observed a white four door sedan approximately 10 meters away driven by a Military Aged Male (MAM) approaching the intersection from the northwest. The turret gunner gave gestures for the car to stop, however the vehicle continued to move forward accelerating in speed. At approximately 5 meters the turret gunner fired a pen flare which struck driver side rear door of the approaching car to no effect. The turret gunner in the second system then aimed and fired three well aimed rounds at the sedan, hitting the front left headlight and the front right headlight. At this point the driver stopped his vehicle.

There were five principles in the motorcade. No COM personnel were injured. The team 46{itipu^the:LR18matf6iwiroi5e;xit6^ut further incident .. \* ..... .. .. ....

**RSO ACTION:** TST PSD members are completing written statements. The RSO office is investigating the shooting.

**LOCATION:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

**Drafted By:** Christopher Wright, Watch Officer, RSO TOC Baghdad

**Approved By:** Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad, Iraq



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**Date of Report:** 10 April 2007

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Anthony Sanganetti

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Operations Chief

**Date of Incident:** 10 April 2007

**Time of Incident:** 1246

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Personnel Involved:** f

**Incident Synopsis:** On 10 April 2007 at 1246, a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of "Vehicles was escorting' from the EOB Shield to the IZ. The TST was traveling in a SSheast direction and in the vicinity o f L , , J1 which is m between ; and Pj near the Olympic Stadium. As they entered the intersection, a gray sedan "approached the motorcade from the right side at a high rate of speed. The driver of the sedan failed to obey several commands to stop and continued to aggressively approach the side of the TST. In an escalation of force and due to the close proximity of the vehicle, three rounds were fired, by the up-gunner of the ERV vehicle, with the rounds impacting the drivers compartment of the sedan, causing the auto to immediately stop. Due to the continued movement of the TST, it could not be verified if the driver was struck by the shots. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the IZ without further incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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BAGHDAD BAGHDAD-2007-00118Impact: NOT SPECIFIED  
Status: OPEN**Required Case Info****Case Title:** 20070410, UODFI, BAGHDAD**LJ**

Status: OPEN

**Case Type:** ADMINISTRATIVE**Program Type:** REGIONAL SECURITY**Categories:**

- CRIME / INCIDENT

**Preliminary Inquiry:** PQ-2007-05661**Synopsis**

On Apr~10, 2007 a Regional Security Officer (RSO) Personal Security Detail (PSD) was involved in a use of force incident while traveling en route to the embassy annex [REDACTED] There were no known injuries or damages to COM property or personnel. The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC (see team member statements for further details). The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

**Primary Subjects****Case Reports**

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**Optional Case Info****Impact:** NOT SPECIFIED**Attachments**

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**Violations:**

- OTHER

7^2007^00425: RSO USE OF FORCE INVESTIGATIONS

**Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Outstanding Warrants****Case Origin/Source****Status History****Source Organization:** RSO TOC, RSO Office

09/30/2007 OPEN

**Name:** ARSO Theron Q Bunnell

09/30/2007 OPEN

**Phone:****Source Comments:****Personnel Assignment**

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| Carpenter, Theodore | DUTY AGENT | BAGHDAD |
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION (P)  
DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE  
U.S. EMBASSY BAGHDAD

REF ID: A0COSMIC M b7E/F W

| DS Case Number | Case Title                | ROI Type              | Report Date |
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| RS-2007-00363  | 20070410, UODFI, BAGHDAD, | CASE FINAL            | 01-OCT-07   |
| Case Type      | Program                   | Dates Investigated    |             |
| ADMINISTRATIVE | REGIONAL SECURITY         | 10-APR-07 - 11-APR-07 |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status               | Open/Close Case Dates |             |
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## Synopsis

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On April 10, 2007 a Regional Security Officer (RSO) Personal Security Detail (PSD) was involved in a use of force incident. [REDACTED] There were no known injuries or damages to COM property or personnel.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC (see team member statements for further details). The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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## Case Details

On April 10, 2007 a Regional Security Officer (RSO) Personal Security Detail (PSD) was involved in a use of force incident. [REDACTED] A PSD member engaged a vehicle occupied by two military personnel that was traveling at a high rate of speed disregarding verbal and arm/hand signals, and being driven in an aggressive manner by one of the military personnel. The PSD member yelled "Stop" in Arabic, used a hand gesture to gain the driver's attention, and a pen flare was fired and struck the vehicle's driver side door. PSD member indicated that the driver looked directly at him and did not slow down. The vehicle came within 10 meters from the motorcade lead vehicle, a PSD member fired 3 well aimed shots at the driver's side window, and the vehicle stopped 10 meters from the lead Mamba. The use of force was reported to the shift leader, and then reported by the shift leader to the RSO TOC.

There was no damage to COM property or personnel. All members were interviewed by DS S P [REDACTED] BUNNELL. See enclosed sworn statements. The escalation of force was within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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| Blackwater USA                 | After Action Report (AAR) | TFG?                                | Date/Time of Statement<br>10 April, 2007/1500 hours |
| Name<br><b>b6 b7c</b>          | Team                      | Situation<br>Shoot to stop a threat |                                                     |
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On 10 April 2007 at approximately 0730 hours, [redacted] conducted a pre-mission brief at the [redacted] Staging area. The brief started with an intelligence report from the embedded Intelligence Analyst for [redacted] Detail. The brief further included [redacted] the teams [redacted] would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any touch^io 4 aiffii W m ^ o . f e a n j j . o l i c y and escalation of [redacted] toe. per Department of State was also covered by the [redacted] Shift Leader [redacted] ^c

The current intelligence report for the day included the direct targeting of Coalition Forces in the Baghdad area. Earlier in the day, [redacted] had a positive K-9 hit on a white four door Peugeot at their venue [redacted]. ^ Earlier in the day, I [redacted], a [redacted] and [redacted] {called for air support to get a positive identification on the possible Vehicle Bourne Explosive Device (VBIED). While RSO Air was conducting their reconnaissance of the area [redacted] S o w ^ a ? [redacted] this ac^y Tn the area, alt teams were notified by the T. C to prepare to move ou u u<sup>k</sup> J M flown to their venue [redacted] and the threat that existed against the aircraft! [redacted] (was ash ea to escort; [redacted] fuairv h International Zone oy ground.

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If ppovlmatp.iy P 40 hoursj [redacted} departed their staging area en route to" [redacted] its movement was escorting [redacted] who was inside of [redacted] (motorcade. The vehicle c o r k f f i ^ [redacted] The TST vehicles in the motorcade have c ^ t i i T c i b d wrings on the t a c k ^ back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic. ^ ^ traveling Southeast from [redacted] though^ to the International Zone (IZ).^ [redacted] motorcade was utilizing lights and sirens whil, approaching and through out the intersection.

Southwest, Northeast, and the Northwest. There is a merge from the Southwest leading on.. the road that [redacted] was traveling. All the traffic was stopped as [redacted] approached the intersection. As the lead Mamba and the This particular intersection is a four way intersection with the road towards the far side of the intersection a [redacted] or four door sedan was merging at a high rate of speed. The turret PSS on the lead vehicle utilized hand and arm these signals, approximately [redacted] meters to [redacted] rs side door. The [redacted] er of the suspect

signals to wan, off the approaching vehicle. As the suspect vehicle ignored

out, one pen flare was launched by the lead [redacted] j^j^j^fye cmact with the ^ v who showed no vehicle was clearly ignoring these warnings. The lead turret PSS gained eye coime, ... /motorcade even signs of slowing down. The suspect vehicle^ dver began to increa e ^ [redacted] ^ ^ m o t o r c a d e , [redacted] and placed three well aimed shots to the driver side window. [redacted] stated th [redacted] suspect vehicle am the speed at which it was approaching, he did not have the time to shoot to [redacted]. Rather, in best judgment, the suspect vehicle that ignored all previous warnings was most certainly a VBIED and he felt compelled to shoot to stop the threat. [redacted] continued to scan the threat and confirmed that the vehicle had come to a stop approximately [redacted] meters from [redacted] motorcade. The suspect vehicle came to rest on the curb o n " , n. 3 Vehicle command [redacted] , the FRV notified the Shift Leader<sup>o</sup> , " of ,he ^ J \* «£>• make anti model of the suspect vehicle. No injuries or vehicle damage occurred tol. ^ assets. [redacted] was r S S S ^ I \* ^ u . d ^ ^ d the RSOTOC.

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Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>10 April, 2007               | Time<br>1430 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp, Baghdad, Iraq |                    |

I, f <sup>ipu</sup> <sub>b7c</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of  
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~~HQ Department of State~~ Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in  
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General Military/Civilian Experience

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Incident:

On Tuesday, April 10 2007, I attended the \_\_\_\_\_ naming brief which consisted of missions for the day intelligence, and Use of Force from the Shift Header, " . . . J I was assigned as the lead turret PSS on the Lead Mamba. The intelligence report warned of increased insurgent activity in our area due to ongoing U.S. military operations in the Northeast part of the city. In addition we were reminded of the increased threat of VBJEDs (Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Deuces) in The area We were also informed of an!\_\_\_\_ team that had been struck by an EFP (Explosive Formed Projectile) three days prior, near Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shield.

At approximately 1240 hours, our motorcade ne^rZir, atf ^teirated\*into^ for a direct support mission back to! ^ ^ a s integrated into our motorcade between our Emerge^ Response Vehicle (ERV) (the »\_veh.cle) and the Command Vehicle (thei vehicle), with their JBurbans. We departed from the east entrance of FOB Shield and proceeded on a route southeast past the soccer stadium. As we approached the intersection south off \_\_\_\_\_ - J \* « : Police (IP) T T h t n f ^ control in the intersectioTThSotocade proceeded into the ntersecjonwitha^hons' emergency lights and sirens. Each of our vehicles has 'Warning-stay back 100...eters' stenciled in red in both English and Arabic on the rear doors. I saw a car travehng North (to my nght)'nthe merge lane approaching at a high rate of speed. All other vehicle traffic had stopped except for S n e c a r The vehicL was occupied by two military aged males. I observed the yehicle was a grey colored four door sedan and it was traveling directly toward our lead vehicle^ I also observed The driver's side window was rolled down. I yelled "Kiff, Arabic for stop, and used a hand ge. ure to gain the drivers attention. The driver of the suspect vehicle looked directly at me but didn t slow down. At that point he was approximately^ meters to my right. I ^red a single pen flare at the vehicle. The pen flare struck under the wind5w on the driver's side door The impac .made a dark circular burn mark on the door. The suspect vehicles driver ignored the fare, and continued his course. I was in fear for my life, but I couldn't effectively engage the vehicle with my' J due to the angle. I heard three "pops" behind me coming from the direction of the ERV.

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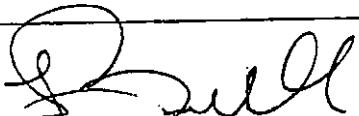
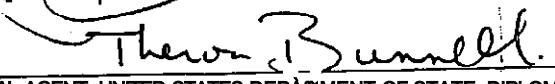
The suspect vehicle strafrfh<SEMr6dh(tcan<io.art itwfleffie sippS Jinipfmed the Tactical Commander, \_\_\_\_\_ J that I had fired a pen flare. I heard him notify the Sh. Leader, by radio. I also heard the vehicle commander in the ERV, - inform the Shift Leader hat b7E b7f 106 b7c the turret PSS.1 > a d fired three rounds from his! j3tthe suspect vehicle. Cur motorcade continued on «jrough the. intersection and I was unable to see the suspect vehicle. We J, escorted' \_\_\_\_\_ /to Check Pointf.,/without further incident. No injuries were sustained by any \_\_\_\_\_ jteam menders nor were a n ^ Vehicles damaged. The suspect vehicle driver's "disposition is unknown.//END//

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 11<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2007.

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| Signed                                                                                           |  |  |
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| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE                    |                                                                                     |  |

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Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>10 April 2007               | Time<br>Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I,                      <sup>lok</sup> <sub>b7C</sub>, hereby make the following statement at the request of T W - f r / t ^ ^ U who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Civilian Experience

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The training standards were similar to those used to train Special Agents of the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. I received training in threat recognition, target identification,) "I shooting from a moving platform, operating as a member of a protective "detail, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations,

I have served as a Tactical Support Team Turret Gunner for the last two years while working with Blackwater. I have worked in Mosul, Iraq and most recently in Baghdad, Iraq. I am currently assigned to                      Tactical Support Team, in support of the US Department of State Mission in Iraq.

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### Incident

On 10 April 2007 prior to departing the International Zone (IZ), \_\_\_\_\_ "I conducted a pre-rrission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of all teams that we would be supporting during the day and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the current threat to our primary Area of Operation (AO). This was due to military operation;; in the north, causing insurgents to move south.

We staged at Forward Operating Base (F.O.B.) Shield. \_\_\_\_\_ J in support of multiple PSD teams operating in the area. During this time, we received radio traffic from the Tactical Operations Center (T.O.C.) that a team we were supporting had a K9 alert on a vehicle at their venue. The suspect vehicle left the venue then returned approximately 15 minutes later. The driver abandoned the vehicle. The Iraqi Police (IP) approached the vehicle to inspect it and immediately moved away showing signs of danger. At approximately 1130 hours, RSO Air helicopters in the area began to receive small arms fire. The T.O.C. cancelled the upcominci missions due to a high threat and teams currently on venue began preparing to return to base. We were tasked to escort \_\_\_\_\_ from F.O.B. Shield back to the International Zone.

At approximately 1240 hours, we linked up with \_\_\_\_\_ land departed FOB Shield, as an\_\_\_\_\_, vehicle motorcade. We were travelling south east t o w a.t.d j and I was the turret PSS in the second vehicle. At approximately 1245 hours, as our motorcade drove through the intersection at \_\_\_\_\_ all traffic was stopped allowingus to pass through the intersection. I observed a silver sedan "Hriving towards our motorcade at a high rate of speed. The vehicle driver was ignoring all sig nals to stop. Our motorcade was made up of \_\_\_\_\_,

\_\_\_\_\_ and each are clearly marked with 'Warning-Stay Back 100 Meters' stencied in English and~Arabic on the back of the vehicles. Both our motorcade and \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade were traveling with our emergency lights and sirens on, in an attempt to alert traffic of our presence. The U lead turret PSS ' \_\_\_\_\_ j was giving hand and arm signals to the driver of the fast approach ng sedan in an attempt to get the suspect vehicle to stop.

The driver of the suspect vehicle was clearly ignoring the signals to stop, and continued toward our motorcade. At this time, the lead turret PSS fired a pen flare at the suspect vehicle striking the driver's side door. The rear turret PSS on the lead vehicle yelled at the vehicle and used hand and arm signals in an attempt to get the driver to stop his vehicle. The vehicle continued at the same high rate of speed towards the lead vehicle. Seeing that the driver was un-phased by the visual warnings and the pen flare that struck the side of the vehicle, the speed it was traveling, and the short distance it was from the lead vehicle, I feared for the lives of my team mates.

I believed the vehicle was a threat and was going to detonate into the side of the lead vehicle. The suspect vehicle was within \_\_\_\_\_ meters from our motorcade's lead vehicle and closing fast. Fearing for the lives of my teammates; I fired three rounds from my Department of State issued ^rifle tif \_\_\_\_\_ into the driver's side window to stop the threat and prevent the loss of life of my teammates. The suspect vehicle came to a stop hitting the curb to the right at approximately' \_\_\_\_\_ meters from the lead Mamba.

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I was unable to determine the condition of "the" occupants; however the vehicle came to a stop and no longer presented a threat. I informed my Vehicle Commander of my actions, and he notified our Shift Leader on the inter-team radio. \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader then advised the RSO TOC of the incident and provided the make and model of the suspect vehicle. We escorted \_\_\_\_\_ "to Check Point"™ without further incident. No \_\_\_\_\_ or \_\_\_\_\_ personnel were injured during this incident. There was no damage to any \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles. The deposition of the suspect vehicle's driver is unknown.//END///

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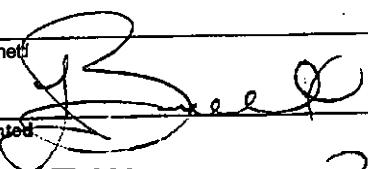
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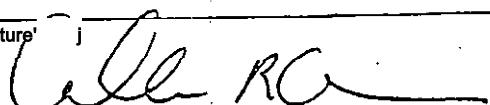
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## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY

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U.S. Embassy - Baghdad

14 April 2007

Spot Report - 041407-01

**Subject:** COM PSD Team Escalation of Force on Aggressive Vehicle**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 14 April 2007 at approximately 1028 hrs, a [ ] vehicle  
 COM PSD Team [ ] containing five COM principals encountered an aggressive white two-door sedan containing two male occupants.

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The COM PSD team was returning from the Hal Babil Health Clinic to the International Zone when the white sedan approached the COM PSD motorcade from the rear at a high rate of speed. The follow vehicle (HMMVE) turret gunner used verbal and hand signals to warn the approaching vehicle, but the driver of the white sedan did not respond. At approximately [ ] meters from the [ ] PSD motorcade, the follow vehicle turret gunner fired 2-shots with an [ ] rifle at the grill of the white sedan. The white sedan containing the two male occupants pulled over to the right side of the road and came to a complete stop. The COM PSD team returned to the International Zone without further incident.

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The COM PSD team could not confirm if there were any injuries to the two male occupants. There were no injuries to COM personnel or equipment during this incident.

**RSO Action:** P^D mem^ers'd'ebr'e'fed and written statements forthcoming.

**Location:** Red zojta, Pagjxja^, Iipq

DRAFTED BY: Scott Bruggemann, Watch Officer, Baghdad, Iraq  
CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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Date of Report: 14 Apr 07

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Darren Hanner

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

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Date of Incident: 14 APR 07

Time of Incident: 1031

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_

Incident Synopsis: On 14 April 2007 at 1031, \_\_\_\_\_, was providing escort support for \_\_\_\_\_ while returning from Hal Babil Health Clinic. The motorcade was traveling on Route H " ^ a r the intersection oft \_\_\_\_\_ 800 meters southeast of Check Point[J wheii a white sedan occupied by 2 males, aggressively approached themotorcade from the rear and failed to stop. In an escalation of force, the turret gunner from. . . . fired . . . 2 rounds from his If . . . . J which struck the front grill and caused the driver to immediately stop his vehicle. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the venue without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

## BUREAU OF DIPLOMATIC SECURITY

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

April 15, 2007

Spot Report - 041507-02

**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire Attack against Basrah Palace**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On 04/15/07, at approximately 2120 hours, four rounds of indirect fire (IDF) were launched against the Basrah Palace compound. Two rounds impacted east of the Palace compound, and two rounds impacted in the Shatt A1 Arab River. Simultaneous with the IDF attack, several bursts of automatic small arms fire were fired towards the REO section of the Palace compound from a position approximately 500 meters to the west of the Palace compound. There were no casualties or damage.

**RSO ACTION:** The REO duck and cover alarm was sounded [REDACTED] b7E,F  
" " [REDACTED]. All personnel donned PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and were restricted to hardcover bunkers/buildings. All personnel were accounted for. Basrah TOC gave the "all clear" announcement at approximately 2H hours. The RSO continues to coordinate with coalition forces regarding the daily attacks. All personnel are required to wear their PPE while outdoors.

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# INCIDENT REPORT

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**Date of Report:** 15 April 07

**Location:** \*Efrah R!EQ, \* IfaS] ..\* ..\* I I I I.. J.\*

**Task Order:** 007

**Person Releasing Report:** Jeff Huber

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 15 April 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 2120 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 15 April 07, at approximately 2120 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. ! \_\_\_\_\_ J one launch and one impact. The Fixed Site Guard Force reported four launches and four impacts. All rounds impacted outside of the perimeter; 2 rounds in the river, 1 round outside of the Romanian Gate, 1 round unknown, but off of the compound. British forces fired eight rounds of counter-battery fire at the \_\_\_\_\_ ^detected launch point. The River Watch element engaged the launch point with direct small arms fire.

The all clear was sounded atf ^ hours.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** River watch report follow

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On 15 April 2007 at approximately 2127 hours, I was standing duty on River Watch with " " M. when I observed what appeared to be a rocket launch. I observed an orange plume rising from the top of a barge flat 5 miles east of the Shatt River approximately 500 meters southeast of the pontoon bridge located at grid ^ . I alerted \_\_\_\_\_ by saying "Uh-Oh I think that was a launch." Two seconds later a rocket impacted in the river 50 meters from the post. I asked " " if he had observed the launch and he stated that he had. I prepared the weapon that was on my post by charging the weapon. As I was doing so, both \_\_\_\_\_ and I observed a second identical launch from the same position. At this time I advised \_\_\_\_\_ I was going to engage the threat. As I started to fire, I heard the second rocket impact somewhere off to my left side. I fired controlled bursts at the barges as [~] adjusted my fire just left of my initial burst. I expended approximately 100 rounds of ammunition into the barge area, at which time no more launches were observed. At one point during my firing I observed tracer rounds, other than my own, being fired in the same general direction. Approximately 5 minutes later I heard and observed what sounded like counter battery being firing. It appeared to land many kilometers further from my position but in line with the firing point. At approximately 2214 hours I was called to the TOC (Tactical Operation Center) inside the EOB and spoke with a British Captain on the landline. He asked me what I had observed and I advised him of the same. He told me that his troops had observed and fired on the same position.

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On 15 April 2007 at approximately 2127 hours I [ ] witnessed a fee multiple rocket attack on Jte opposite sitfe otihejjvpr/fpig rpy.pQijirion at [ ] b7E, F My shift leader [ ] said "uh, oh ttjat:» a fedhch'at that exact moment I o was looking towards VspOSitidn afttf saw? a'tergfc'flaShT I immediately went from my position to his and the first rocket was imbound directly at us. As the whistle got louder I crouched and it impacted directly next to our position in the river. Immediately I saw the second launch and we prepared the [ ] to engage the target. [ ] b7E started engaging and I stood directly next to him on the right as a spotter and gave him an adjustment to put him directly on the target. We engaged with a 100 round belt of " [ ] and immediately the launches stopped. The distance and degrees to target using Steiner binoculars put it at 338 degrees and map verification put the distance at about 2,000 yards. b7E b6 b7C

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

April 21, 2007

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**SPOT REPORT - 042107-01**

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**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire Attack against Basrah Palace

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On 04/21/07, at 0610 hours, eight rounds of indirect fire (IDF) were launched against the Basrah Palace compound. One round impacted at the main entrance to the U.S. RSO section of the compound. Seven rounds impacted on the British section of the compound. Two Triple Canopy guards posted at the RSO main entrance were injured by fragmentation from the blast. Both guards were examined by the Triple Canopy doctor. One guard was wounded in the back and neck from the fragmentation, and will be medevac'd to the Basrah Air Station for x-rays. The other guard sustained minor scratches to the skin and was immediately returned to duty. A third Triple Canopy guard was seen by the doctor and was immediately returned to duty. There was no damage.

At approximately 0625 an additional five rounds of IDF were launched against the Basrah Palace compound. Three rounds impacted on the U.N. section of the compound. Two rounds impacted outside of the Basrah Palace compound. There were no casualties or damage.

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Equipment) and were restricted to hardcover buncers/builcfings. All personnel were accounted for. PSD and K-9 personnel conducted a sweep for UXO. The Basrah TOC gave the "all clear" announcement at approximately 5 hours. The RSO continues to coordinate with coalition forces regarding the daily attacks. All REO Basrah personnel are required to wear their PPE at all times while outdoors.

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DRAFTED BY: Matthew O'Brien, ARSO Basrah

APPROVED BY: Dan Wilhelm, Acting RSO Basrah

CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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# INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: April 21, 2007  
Location: Basrah, Iraq

Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: Jeff Huber

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 21 April 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 0610 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 21 April 07, at approximately 0610 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. Eight launches and eight impacts were reported. Three impacts were reported to be in [redacted].

The impact near [redacted] resulted in one TCN casualty.

[redacted] was hit in the neck with IDF fragmentation and classified as a T-3 injury. The other two impacts are assumed to have been in the river. Point of Origin (POO) was reported to be in the vicinity of [redacted].

At approximately 0625, another five rounds and five impacts were reported. Three rounds impacted in [redacted]. Two rounds were reported to impact outside of the perimeter. The POO for this launch was reported to be in the vicinity of [redacted].

[redacted] "clearing began at 0710 and was completed at [redacted].

The all clear was sounded at [redacted] hours.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** [redacted] (employee #<sup>v</sup>. 1) received a fragmentation to his neck. He was examined by TC Medical Officer and was determined to be a T-3 casualty. He will be flown to COB tonight to have X-rays and additional medical exams if required. After talking with him he appears to be fine and in good spirits. Until his departure later today he will have the opportunity to rest and have time off. We will keep close observation on him up to his departure. He and we expect that he will return to work upon his return to the REO.



**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

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**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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US Embassy Baghdad



April 21, 2007

## SPOT REPORT 042107-03

**SUBJECT: COM PSD Escalation of Force****REPORTING OFFICE: REO Al-Hillah**

**SUMMARY:** On 21 Apr 2007 at approximately 1425 hours, a COM PSD team en route back to REO Al-Hillah shot-to-disable a fast-moving vehicle that was driving aggressively towards a COM motorcade.

The PSD's ~~sf~~ <sup>Vehicle</sup> motorcade had departed Religious University in Al-Hillah, with three COM principals, when the last vehicle of the motorcade (CAV) observed a white SUV passing other vehicles that had stopped for the PSD convoy. At an approximate distance of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> meters the well gunner attempted to stop the vehicle by flashing the vehicle with a spot light, however the vehicle continued to approach the motorcade.

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At approximately <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> meters, the well gunner fired a pen flare as the vehicle continued to accelerate towards the PSD team. The vehicle advanced to a distance of <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> meters, at which time the well gunner fired a well aimed three round burst from his <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> J at the vehicle engine compartment. The vehicle continued to advance and the well gunner fired a second well aimed three round burst, striking the vehicle in the driver's side front tire thus disabling the vehicle.

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Location: f

Task Order: 8

Person Releasing Report: MarkPeddy

Title of Person Releasing Report: Regional Coordinator Iraq

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Date of Incident: 21 Apr 07

Time of Incident: 1440

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: \_\_\_\_\_;

Personnel Involved: Team)/

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**Incident Synopsis:** On the 21st of April 2007 at approximately M440J^ from the RU making there way back to the REO. While at grid \_\_\_\_\_ jthe well gunner observed a white SUV traveling in the same direction as the convoy as a side note it should be noted that a similar white SUV had a positive alert by one of our J teams 2 weeks ago at the Hillah GC. The vehicle was passing other vehicles that had stopped for the convoy. The vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed. At approximately meters the well gunner flashed the vehicle with a spot light and it continued moving toward the convoy at its same high rate of speed. At ^ meters the well gunner then discharged his DOS certified pen flare straight at the vehicles to Sd. The vehicle continued forward without slowing down. Once the vehicle was under "" meters, the well gunner then charged the DOS issued' , and discharged one three round bursts. The vehicle continued at the same speed after the first three round burst was fired' the well gunner then discharged a second three round burst which struck the drivers side front tire and disabled the vehicle. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to the REO without further incident.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, DPM

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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Before leaving for the mission on the 21st of April 2007, every IC is given a brief of routes, mission, escalation of force and the rules of engagement for all PSD teams traveling in this region. The threat level for the south central region is escalating with more and more V.B.I.E.D's and latest intelligence states that there are civilian SUVs acting as V.B.I.E.D's in this area of operations.

On the 21<sup>st</sup> of April, 2007, \_\_\_\_\_, was in route to the REO from a planned mission at the Religious University. At approximately 1425 I was informed by the CAV Commander that shots had been fired at a white SUV. The CAV Commander advised me that the vehicle^had stopped moving and was stopped in the middle of the road at grid \_\_\_\_\_. I advised ROS Ops of the incident and the team continued back to the REO without further incident. During the AAR IC f \_\_\_\_\_ j stated that after traveling through the intersection of the above stated location of incident a white SUV did not yield to his warnings and came directly at the CAV at a fast rate of speed. IC \_\_\_\_\_ j used the proper escalation of force, as briefed by the team leader before departing for the mission,- by supplying the driver every opportunity to stop his vehicle by shinning a spot light in his direction followed by the firing of a Department of State issued pen flare at the hood of the vehicle. At this time the vehicle failed to yield to his warnings and IC

\g1f Department of State issued " IC<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ . stated that the vehicle did not stop until he fired the second three round burst, at which the vehicle stopped in the middle of the road. IC<sup>1</sup> observed rounds to the front of the vehicle and the right front tire and did not see any injury to the occupants of the vehicle at that time. The motorcade then proceeded back to the REO without incident.

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| Date     | 4/21/2001     | Time | 1425 HRS | EDT |
| Location | Reo Al-Hillah |      |          |     |

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby make the following statement at the request of

\_\_\_\_\_, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

### General Military and Civilian Experience

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Since \_\_\_\_\_, I have been employed by Blackwater USA in support of the WPPS High Threat Operations, Al-Hillah, Iraq. I am currently assigned to Team; \_\_\_. I have received training in accordance with the requirements of the US Department of State WPPS II training program, including; motorcade operations, threat assessment, pre-assault indicators, shoot / no shoot scenarios, both at the Blackwater training facilities in Moyock, North Carolina and as a recurring in-service block of instruction with my current team here in Al-Hillah.

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## Incident

On the 21st of April 2007 at approximately 11:00 b7E,F departed from the RU making our way back to the R^o's the position of well observer for the CAV. While at grid ( ) I observed a white SUV traveling in the same direction as our convoy. As a side note, it should be noted that a similar white SUV had a positive alert by one of our teams 2 weeks ago at the Hillah GC. The vehicle was passing other vehicles that had stopped for our convoy. The vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed. At approximately meters I flashed the vehicle with a spot light and it continued moving toward our convoy at its same high rate of speed. I then advised the personnel in the vehicle of the situation. At meters I then discharged my DOS certified pen flare straight at the vehicles hood. The vehicle continued forward without slowing down. Once the vehicle was under meters, I then charged the DOS issued sand discharged one three round bursts, bit. The vehicle continued at the same speed after the first three round burst was fired, I then discharged a second three round burst which struck the drivers side front tire and disabled the vehicle. We continued from the scene and securely entered the REO.-END-

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this \_\_\_\_ day of

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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| Date<br>21 April 2007     | Title<br>Approx 1600 |
| Location<br>REO Al-Hillah |                      |

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On the 21st of April 2007 at approximately 1440 Team I [redacted] departed tie, P from the RU making our way back to the REO. I was occupying the position of left rear observer for the CAV. Just prior to grid f [redacted] we made a right turn onto our route. Due to traffic approaching from the left side, I cracked my door to alert traffic. I gave hand and arm signals, and the traffic began slowing and stopping. As we continued through the turn, I closed my door and observed a White SUV approx.) [redacted] meters, behind the stopped cars. The white SUV did not appear to be slowing. I advised the rear observer of the SUV. The vehicle was passing other vehicles that had stopped for our convoy. The vehicle was traveling at a high rate of speed. At [redacted] meters I witnessed the rear observer discharged a DOS certified pen flare straight at the vehicle's hood. The vehicle continued forward without slowing down. Once the vehicle was under [redacted] meters, I witnessed the rear observer charge the DOS issued [redacted] and discharged one three round bursts which impacted into the hood of the vehicle. The vehicle continued at the same speed after the first three round burst was fired, I then witnessed a second three round burst which struck the drivers side front tire and disabled the vehicle. We continued from the scene and securely entered the REO.-END-

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| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE |                                                                                     |

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Date of Report?

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Location:

Basrah REO, Iraq

Task Order:

Person Releasing Report:

Eddie Jones

Title of Person Releasing Report:

Guard Force Commander

Date of Incident:

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Time of Incident:

1615 hrs.

Contractor Involved:

Triple Canopy, Inc.

Detail Location of Incident:

Regional Embassy Office Compound

**Incident Synopsis:**

At approximately 1615 ^ Regional Embassy Office Compound (REO) came under indirect fire attack. It is stated that the compound. At approximately 1635 a second salvo fire landed on the RJBQ. During this salvo the Peruvian Guards, "Aandf" manning the American Arch observed smoke and flames of the launch point at approximately 1615 hrs. The guards fired approximately 250 rounds using the launch point. The launch point was in a wooded area with no visible houses or civilians. The IDF stopped soon after the return firing started.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Prepare for Emergency:**  
None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** ARS®, TC PM

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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Date: 26/04/07 (Probably April 26, 2007)

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Regards,

James W. Gayhart  
Supervisory Special Agent  
DS/ICI/CI  
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FAX: /(571) 345-7657

Original Message

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Sent: Friday, January 25, 2008 12:27 PM  
To: Gayhart James W  
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I have a few more documents that need a Spanish translation. If you have the time, could you please read, and send a translation. I would appreciate it greatly thanks.

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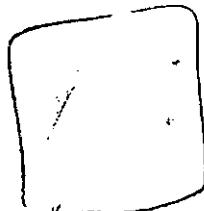
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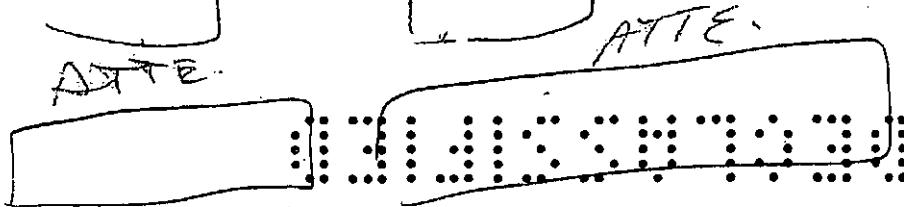


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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report 23 April 2007

Location: 1

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Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: 1

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Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Shift Supervisor

**Date of Incident:** 29 April 2007

**Time of Incident:** 1005 hrs

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** Basrah, Iraq

**Incident Synopsis:** One Iraqi male between the age of 40 to 50 years old, acting very erratic approached the \_\_\_\_\_ pedestrian gate rapidly.

TCN's shouted and displayed the command to stop, in Arabic, repeatedly as the individual entered into the pedestrian walk way. Individual kept advancing.

TCN's then charged their weapons and shouted the command to stop, in Arabic, again. The individual slowed but still advanced. Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_, opened the Pedestrian gate and threw a flash bang into the pedestrian walk way. Upon seeing the flash bag being thrown in in his general direction, said individual immediately egressed the area quickly. The flash bang detonated and individual ran North West to intersection off \_\_\_\_\_ and proceeded South West around the corner at \_\_\_\_\_ and out of visual contact. After flash bang had detonated

Supervisor \_\_\_\_\_ called the Fixed Site Office, via \_\_\_\_\_ hard line, to inform higher of actions taken at \_\_\_\_\_

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:**

None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Assistant Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager, Fixed Sited

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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**U.S. Embassy - Baghdad**

April 30, 2007

**Spot Report - 043007-04**

**Subject:** COM Tactical Support Team (TST) Fires on an Aggressive Vehicle

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Baghdad

**Summary:** On 30 April 2007 at approximately 1005 hrs, a ^vehicle COM PSD TST while en-route to a venue encountered an aggressive vehicle and used escalation of force to disable it.

The TST with lights and sirens was moving east on a four-way intersection when a blue van with two military-aged-males (MAMs) approached from the right (perpendicular to the lead vehicle) at a high rate of speed. The lead vehicle's up gunner gave hand and verbal warning signals for the van to slow down. The van continued its aggressive approach and at approximately 1 meter, the up gunner of the ^TST vehicle, fired 2-3 well aimed ^grounds into the front of the van. The blue van came to a complete stop. The TST was unable to determine if any of the van's occupants were injured. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no COM principals involved in this incident.

**RSO Action:** PSD members debriefed and written statements forthcoming. DS/CC notified.

**Location:** Red Zone, Baghdad, Iraq

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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**Date of Report:** 30 April 2007 I \* I II \* \* II. II. I !

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Kurt Scheuermann

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Operations Chief

**Date of Incident:** 30 April 2007

**Time of Incident:** 1005 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** 38S MB 3822 9189

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**Personnel Involved:** \_\_\_\_\_ 1

**Incident Synopsis:** On 30 April 2007 at 1005 hours, Tactical Support Team (TST) ^ \_\_\_\_\_ was providing area support for i \_\_\_\_\_ mission at Kadhimiyah Female Prison. The TST, comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles, was approximately 500 meters north from \_\_\_\_\_ land driving through a populated area with moderate vehicle traffic. A blue van occupied by 2 persons failed to obey several commands to stop and continued to approach the side of the TST. In an escalation of force and due to the close proximity of the vehicle to the motorcade, 3 rounds of \_\_\_\_\_ were fired by the up-gunner of the ERV vehicle. The rounds impacted the driver's compartment of the van, which caused the auto to immediately stop. Due to the continued movement of the TST, it could not be verified if the occupants were struck by the shots. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to FOB Apache without further incident.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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**Sworn Statement**

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| Date<br>30 April 2007               | Time<br>11T | Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |             |                    |

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General Military/Civilian Experiencebfe  
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The training standards were similar to those used to train Special Agents of the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. I received training in threat recognition, target identification, \_\_\_\_\_ shooting from a moving platform, operating as a member of a protective detail, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations.

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I have served as a Tactical Support Team Turret Gunner for the last [^] years while working with Blackwater. I have worked in Mosul, Iraq and most recently in Baghdad, Iraq. I am currently assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ Tactical Support Team, in support of the US Department of State Mission in Iraq.

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Incident

On 30 April 2007, at approximately 0900hrs prior to departing the International Zone (IZ), [redacted] conducted a pre-mission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of all teams "that we would be supporting during the day and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the current threat to our primary Area of Operation (AO). This was due to planned anti-coalition demonstrations and increases in insurgent activity in the Adhamiyah District.

At approximately 0930hrs [redacted] departed the International Zone (IZ) in direct support of [redacted]

[redacted] The vehicle configuration for the day was [redacted]

All [redacted] vehicles in the motorcade have clearly written on the back "WARNING stay back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic. I was assigned to the ERV, [redacted] vehicle in the motorcade, as the Lead Turret PSS. At approximately 1000 hours, our [redacted] motorcade was traveling east bound directly in front of [redacted] /Venue (Kadimiya Female Prison) [redacted]

When our motorcade approached the intersection in front of the venue I witnessed a blue van break loose of the stopped traffic in the southbound lane and proceed at a high rate of speed towards our motorcade, disregarding all of the lead vehicles verbal and hand signals to stop. The vehicle continued at its high rate of speed towards our motorcade closing well within [redacted] meters. The driver ignored the visual warnings and the verbal and hand signals to stop, given by the Lead Turret PSS. Due to the warnings ignored, the speed the vehicle was traveling, and the short distance it was from our motorcade, I feared for my life and the lives of my teammates. Unable to fire a pen flare or disabling shots, I fired three rounds at the windshield with my Department of State issued F3 rifle (Serial# [redacted]) to stop the threat and prevent the loss of life of myself and my teammates. This caused the vehicle to come to a complete stop on the left side of the southbound lane approximately [redacted] meters from our motorcade.

I was unable to determine the condition of the occupants; however the vehicle came to a stop and no longer presented a threat. I informed my Vehicle Commander of my actions, and he notified our Shift Leader [redacted] on the inter-team radio. [redacted]-Shift Leader then advised the RSO TOC of the incident and provided the make and model of the suspect vehicle. No [redacted] personnel were injured in the incident. There was no damage to any [redacted] vehicles. The disposition of the suspect vehicle's driver is unknown. We continued to F.O.B. Apache with no further incidents.//END//

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

Signed

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DSS/RSO/BW APO, AE 09348

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this May 01, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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Date 30 April 2007 Time x.ogeoi̥tsi̥-ir\*  
Location WPPS Camp, Baghdad Iraq

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, hereby make the following statement at the request of

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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

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On 30 April 2007 at approximstelvIQOOUi&tES.Sr, \_\_\_\_\_ \* : : igvfes fli/fen my mission briefing by my Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ ) and Tactical Commander / \_\_\_\_\_. The mission briefing included the routes we would drive, the teams we would be supporting and we were briefed on our rules of engagement and the escalation of force. We also received an intelligence briefing from our embedded Intelligence Analyst.

I was assigned as the lead turret PSS of the Lead Vehicle. We departed the International Zone in support of [REDACTED] Our motorcade was traveling with our emergency lights and sirens activated in an attempt to warn traffic of our approach. The drivers were also sounding the vehicle air horns as we approached each intersection<sup>A</sup>. Additionally, all of the traffic was yielding and pulling to the side of the roadway to stop. All [REDACTED] vehicles in the motorcade "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the back of the vehicle. The warning is stenciled in both English and Arabic. At approximately 1000 hours, our motorcade was traveling east bound directly in front of ~ [REDACTED] i' Venue (Kadimiya Female Prison). —#—

Upon entering the intersection I observed a blue van, with the driver's side window open and driven by a military age male with one passenger, approaching our motorcade at a high rate of speed. The blue van was traveling from the left side, and on a path that would take it directly into our motorcade. All other traffic had pulled over and stopped. I began to wave my hand back and forth in order for the driver to notice me. As I was giving the hand and arm signals to stop, I repeatedly yelled, "KIFF" (stop in Arabic). The driver of the blue van ignored my verbal commands, as well as, my hand and arm signals to stop. Our lead vehicle had traveled approximately ^^^ feet past the blue van and I observed the suspect vehicle began to accelerate. I felt that my life, and my team mates lives were in danger. At that point I was unable to see directly behind me because the lead vehicle had traveled past the blue van. The vans high rate of speed and aggressive driving put it on a direct course to broadside the Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV), the \_\_\_\_\_ I. vehicle in our motorcade. I heard approximately 3 rounds coming from the \_\_\_\_\_ ? vehicle in our motorcade. I could no longer see the threat vehicle. I then heard the ERV Commander notify our Shift Leader that the Turret PSS in the ERV had fired in an attempt to stop the vehicle. This information was passed on our inter-team radio. We continued on to FOB Apache without further incident. We staged at FOB Apache in support of \_\_\_\_\_ (move back to the International Zone. //END//

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Address                                     | J 17 i- |  |
| WPPS Camp, International Zone. Baghdad Iraq |         |  |

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 01 May, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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**INCIDENT REPORT**

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

**Date of Report:** 30 April 2007

**Location:**

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Darren Hanner

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Protective Operations Coordinator

**Date of Incident:** 30 April 2007

**Time of Incident:** 1303 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** 38S MB 4135 9185

**Personnel Involved:**

**Incident Synopsis:** On 30 April 2007 at 1303 hours, a [redacted] vehicle Tactical Support Team (TST), [redacted]; was providing area support for [redacted] mission at Kadhimiyah Female Prison. The TST was staged at FOB Apache, which is an Iraqi Army controlled base. The TST departed the location to support [redacted] movement back to the IZ. Upon exiting the front gate, the entire motorcade was engaged by multiple insurgents from two separate vacant buildings. TST members returned fire with all weapon platforms [redacted] and pushed through the ambush. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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**INCIDENT REPORT**

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**Date of Report:** 30 April 2007 5. I ' £ \*• \*• !• J 2« I 5

**Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Darren Hanner

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Protective Operations Coordinator

**Date of Incident:** 30 April 2007

**Time of Incident:** 1320 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater \_\_\_\_\_

**Detail Location of Incident:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Personnel Involved:** \\_\_\_\_\_

**Incident Synopsis:** On 30 April 2007 at 1320 hours<sup>^</sup> a' ] vehicle Tactical Support Team (TST), \_\_\_\_\_ was providing support for \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade movement from Kadhimiya Female Prison back to the IZ. The TST was traveling southbound when at approximately 200 meters north of \_\_\_\_\_ they were engaged by overhead automatic small-arms from an apparent vacant building. TST members returned fire with several weapon platforms

! and pushed through the ambush. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.



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## **U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

April 30, 2007

## **SPOT REPORT - 043007-06**

**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire Attack

**REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Baghdad**

**SUMMARY:** On 30 April 2007 at approximately 2201 hours, a salvo of nine 107MM rockets struck the International Zone. One rocket struck the Blackwater Security Camp and detonated, causing three casualties all of whom required medical evacuation to the 28<sup>th</sup> Combat Surgical Hospital (CSH) as well as significant damage to a housing trailer. A second rocket struck a medical supply building! \_\_\_\_\_, causing moderate damage to a medical supply building. The third rocket hit and detonated near af \_\_\_\_\_, "injuring four local nationals who were also transported to the 28®" CSH. In addition, a total of six (6) more rockets struck in the following areas: one impacted in the vicinity of the Iraqi Police Station located behind! \_\_\_\_\_ two struck in the vicinity of the ! area > one hit and failed to detonate approximately 300 meters southeast of the \_\_\_\_\_ and one impacted south of the Embassy Compound in the area commonly known as the £ 3 L. \_\_\_\_\_ All the aforementioned impacts caused no injuries or reported damage.

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**RSO ACTION:** The Duck and Cover alarm was immediately sounded and all personnel were ~~relocated~~ All personnel were accounted for. RSt^T^C gave the "all clear" announcement at approximately / hours. KBR FIRE/MED was notified. Embassy EOD as well as Army EOD responded to all impact sites. The area in the vicinity of 107MM UXO at the \_\_\_\_\_ cleared and the round will be control detonated in the morning.

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**LOCATION:** International Zone, Baghdad, Iraq.

**DRAFTED BY:** Mark Ford, RSO TOC Watch Officer

**CLEARED BY:** Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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**Date of Report:** 30 April 2007

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**Location:** 38S MB Withhpjcl 4kto#Op\$fp ;\*: .\*: j : E. ::

**Task Order:** 6

**Person Releasing Report:** Kurt Scheuermann

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Operations Chief

**Date of Incident:** 30 April 2007

**Time of Incident:** 2200hours

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

**Detail Location of Incident:** WPPS Man camp, P block

**Personnel Involved:** \_\_\_\_\_

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**Incident Synopsis:** On 30 April 2007 at 2200 hours, nine (9) 107mm rockets hit the International Zone. One rocket hit a bunker in the WPPS man camp, P block(S-E trailers by old armory). There were 3 BW IC casualties who were immediately transported to the Hospital, their status as of this report is "Serious but Stable".

**Outline injuries if applicable:** 2 Head Injuries, 1 Abdominal Injury

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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It appears that three (3) rockets/mortars (not clear at the moment as there are still unexploded ordinance in the camp - waiting for DoD team to clear) impacted our WPPS Camp - one hit the Bunker at P Block which detonated causing three WIA's who are currently receiving medical attention at the CSH:

[redacted] - shrapnel in the lower back - he's responsive.

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[redacted] - compound fracture to the leg from shrapnel - he's responsive.



[redacted] \ - shrapnel to the head - non responsive and not stable.

I will keep you posted on the above WIA's especially [redacted] j who currently is not responsive plus any new developments.

Sincerely,  
Victor Esposito  
Program Manager  
Department of State Programs  
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May 1,2007

Basra Palace

River Watch Rep

At 1005 on May 1st, 2007 an RPG was fired from 400 meters north of our position in the direction of the British headquarters building. At that time a separate flash was witnessed 1800 meters north of the river watch position, and a mortar round could be heard overhead. The British side of the base fired onto the first position directly across the river (400 Meters) when another launch was witnessed from the position 1800 meters to our north (second round was heard impacting on the base). At that time river watch engaged the further position with 40 rounds (4 separate bursts). No further rounds were fired from either enemy position across the river.

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_

\*\*\*\*END OF STATEMENT\*\*\*\*

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## U.S. Embassy Baghdad

May 02, 2007

## Spot Report - 050207-02

**SUBJECT:** Coordinated Indirect and Direct Fire Attack against Basrah Palace

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On 05/02/07, at approximately 0228, two rounds of indirect fire were launched against the Basrah Palace compound followed by seven to eight individuals firing RPGs. Two rounds of IDF and eight RPG rounds, impacted outside of the Palace compound, just short of the [REDACTED] i> 7E, F No injuries or damage were reported.

**RSO ACTION:** The REO Perimeter Security Force positioned at the main entrance observed the individuals firing the RPGs and engaged with multiple bursts of well coordinated]^<sup>c</sup>

< ~ "Duck and cover" was announced; all personnel donned PPE (Personal Protective Equipment) and were restricted to ~~hardcover~~bunkers/buildings. Basrah TOC gave the "all clear" announcement atj\_\_\_\_Jhours. Basrah is on a continued state of alert. The RSO continues to coordinate with coalition forces regarding the daily attacks. All personnel are required to wear PPE while outdoors.

**LOCATION:** REO Basrah

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**Date of Report\***

2 May 2007

**Location:**

Basrah REO, Iraq

**Task Order:****Person Releasing Report:**

Eddie Jones

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Guard Force Commander**Date of Incident;**

2 May 2007

**Time of Incident:**

0230 hrs.

**Contractor Involved:**

Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:**

Regional Embassy Office Compound

**Incident Synopsis:**

At approximately 0230 tile American Front Gate was attacked by approximately 10 rounds of apparent rockete/RPG. The Triple Canopy Guard Shift Supervisor (TCN G u a ^ , W a i J 5 TM at the Sat, e ^ and ^ lower personnel

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and r r ^ heard two impacts of apparent rockets that detonated approximatelyf in front of the gate. Immediately after the detonati on at approximately^ on the left and right side of the main street^ umv U1 U11. UKU1 OUDI )

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approximately 7 to 8 unknown personnel stepped from concealed positions - started firing apparent Rip's at thegate. Both? land ^ positions engaged the launchsites with f " .and F T " .^"(approximately 200 a o ^ l ? ' , After 3 to 4 minutes all ^ stopped. Approximately two rockets and 8 RPG s landed in the area in front of the US Gate. No injuries to the guard force occurred during this engagement.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:**  
None**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, ARSO, TC PM**Supervisor synopsis of impact of incident:** None

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Cole-Pasquale, Danielle N

From: Gayhart James W  
Sent: Monday, January 28, 2008 3:41 PM  
To: Cole-Pasquale, Danielle N  
Subject: RE: b0028\*

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Translation:

To inform the sergeant that the day of 02-05-07 (probably May 2, 2007) I was in service at approximately 0235 hours when I hear the impact of a rocket from 200 meters. From on the left hand side, later the second impact (illegible) guard saw the candle a trail from an RPG, at the same time responded with fire, covering the point of exit, later the group also responded with fire replicating the attack of the two from at 200 meters.

Later responded the Guard and came to the aid of the Guard, he used an and I with approximately 200 cartridges in total, later he was given the bill of control.

This is all I have to inform of in this matter.

End Translation.

Regards,

James W. Gayhart  
Supervisory Special Agent  
DS/ICI/CI  
Phone (571) 345-J7\_5.15  
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FAX: (571) 345-7657

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From: Cole-Pasquale, Danielle N  
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2008 12:27 PM  
To: Gayhart James W  
Subject: FW: b0028

Here's another.

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Original Message

From: Cole-Pasquale, Danielle N  
Sent: Friday, January 25, 2008 12:19 PM  
To: Cole-Pasquale, Danielle N  
Subject: b0028

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**U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD**

May 02, 2007

**SPOT REPORT - 050207-03****SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 02 May 2007 at approximately 1509 hours, a salvo of four 107MM rockets struck the International Zone. One rocket struck the Sully Memorial Range firearms training facility and detonated, resulting in 10 US contractor casualties, all of whom required ground medical evacuation to the 28<sup>th</sup> Combat Surgical Hospital (CSH). Information received from the CSH indicated that two of the contractors injured were listed as non life threatening; one contractor identified with a leg injury and the other with a chest injury. The contractor who sustained chest injuries, as well as eight others identified as having superficial wounds were treated and released. A second rocket struck the Kurdish Compound injuring two local nationals; both were ground transported to CSH and released. The third rocket hit and detonated in an open field, adjacent to the IZ Liquor Store causing no injuries, but major damage to a vehicle parked in the area. A third rocket impacted and detonated southwest of the Cross Swords Monument causing no damage or injury.

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**RSO ACTION:** The Duck and Cover alarm was immediately sounded and all personnel were accounted for. All personnel were accounted for. The incident lasted approximately 1 hour. KBR FIRE/MED was notified. Embassy EOD and Army EOD responded to all impact sites. DS/CC notified.

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**LOCATION:** International Zone, Baghdad

DRAFTED BY: Mark Ford, RSO TOC Watch Officer

CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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## INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

Date of Report: 2 May 2007 |" : .\*\* \ V j 5" j\ Location: 38S MB WithhpjS cfo; to.Qpfcp jkj : ;\* : i.\*

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Kurt Scheuermann

Title of Person Releasing Report: Operations Chief

Date of Incident: 2 May 2007

Time of Incident: 1509hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: WPPS Range, International Zone

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_ i

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Incident Synopsis: On 2 May 2007 at 1509 hours, four (4) 107mm rockets hit the International Zone. One rocket detonated on the WPPS Range (Memorial Range). There were 10 BW IC casualties who were immediately transported to the 28 CSH (hospital); their status as of this report is "Stable." There were 2 BW IC casualties that were treated by the BW PA; their status as of this report is "Stable."

Outline injuries if applicable: 1 back injuries, 2 leg injuries, 2 arm injuries, 2 shoulder injuries, 1 minor head injury, and several lacerations.

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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| BlackwaterUSA                                                                    |                    | Statement Form                                     |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>2 May 2007/1745 hours |
| Name                                                                             | Team<br>IPD Detail | Incident Type<br><b>IDF Impact/ Memorial Range</b> |                                                                                  |                                                 |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature)<br><b>Memorial Range, next to</b> |                    | Incident Time<br>4509>beurs                        | Incident Date<br>2 May 2007                                                      | ta                                              |

### Incident Report BW 05-02-07 IDF Memorial Range Baghdad

On May 2, 2007, [ ] was training at the Memorial Range next to [ ] in the International Zone (IZ). The training began at 1300 hours. b7E

Members of [ ] were standing on the 15 yard line preparing for a drill when the incoming siren began to sound. The personnel on the range stopped all action and [ ] one of the instructors present on the range, yelled incoming. The personnel on the range either hit the ground or ran for the only cover on the range, behind the targets under the overhead cover. At 1509 hours, a rocket landed on or about the 15 yard line in lane 17 of Memorial Range. b6 b7c

The rocket was identified by Army EOD as being a 107 mm.

When the rocket hit, the following personnel were injured:

[ ] } shrapnel in his legs-left calf, right thigh, right bicep. Treated at CSH, Surgery pending.  
 [ ] shrapnel in his right bicep area. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel in his right bicep area. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel in his left calf. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel hit right back and shoulder area. Treated and Released at WPPS Camp by PA.  
 [ ] shrapnel scrapes to the back of the head. Treated and Released at WPPS Camp by PA.  
 [ ] injured left shoulder. Treated and Released at the WPPS Camp by [ ] carried [ ]  
 one of the injured, to cover after the impact.

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 [ ] shrapnel in upper left chest area and his scapula was broken. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel scrapes to back of head. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel to left leg. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel to leg. Treated and Released at CSH.  
 [ ] shrapnel to leg. Treated and Released at CSH.

### BW Air personnel

[ ] shrapnel scrapes on left arm and neck. Treated and Released at WPPS Camp by PA.

Additionally there were three Marine Security Guard personnel utilizing the range. The MSG suffered no injuries but helped with the wounded just after the impact.

End of Statement

[ ] Person giving statement

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U.S. EMBASSY - BAGHDAD

May 02, 2007

## SPOT REPORT - 050207-05

**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Baghdad

**SUMMARY:** On 02 May 2007 at approximately 1950 hours, a salvo of three 107MM rockets struck the International Zone. One rocket struck the Embassy Compound in the Pool Side Housing Area causing major damage to two housing units, but causing no injuries in that area. A second rocket impacted and detonated southeast of the Embassy. This impact resulted in the deaths of four TCN'S (Third Countr^Nationals). A third rocket impacted and detonated in the area of \_\_\_\_\_ causing severe injuries to a TCN contractor who was transported by his company to the 28<sup>th</sup> CSH with follow-up evacuation to Balad.

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**RSO ACTION:** The Duck and Cover alarm was immediately sounded and all personnel were restricted to hardcover bunkers/buildings. All personnel were accounted for. The RSO TOC gave the "all clear" announcement at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ hours. KBR FIRE/MED was notified. Embassy EOD and Army EOD responded to all impact sites. DS/CC notified.

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**LOCATION:** International Zone, Baghdad

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| <b>Topic:</b> Incident Report / IDF, Personnel injury. |                                             |                                   |

## INCIDENT/UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE

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| Nature of Incident / UO         | IDF, Injury                                                   |
| Date / Time occurred            | 2 May 2007 / 19:58                                            |
| Date / Time Reported to TOC     | 2 May 2007 / 20:05                                            |
| Person Reporting Incident / UO  | ) , -i                                                        |
| Company / Dept./ Group Involved | Triple Canopy / Check Point'                                  |
| Personnel Involved              | 1                                                             |
| Exact Location of Incident / UO | IDF impact 10 meters beyond T-walls<br>directly north east of |
| Witnesses to the Incident / UO  | Guard force, Check Point' i                                   |

**INJURY TID PERSON:(S)**

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| Injured Person                                                                  | 1                                                                |
| Company                                                                         | Triple Canopy                                                    |
| Nature of Injury                                                                | 1                                                                |
| Equipment / Persons Causing Injury                                              | IDF                                                              |
| Details of First Aid / Medical Attention / Hospitalization / Evacuation / Leave | Immediate first aid by 1 ,and Mr TC transport to CASH by ground. |
| Company / Person Responsible for Machinery / Equipment Involved                 | IDF                                                              |

## **PROPERTY - DAMAGE /LOSS / THEFT**

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| Description of Property Damaged / Lost / Stolen                              | N/A      |
| Owner / Person Responsible for Property                                      | N/A      |
| Nature of Damage / Loss                                                      | N/A      |
| Estimated Cost of Damage / Property (if available) with written confirmation | N/A      |
| Object /Equipment /Item Description                                          | N/A***   |
| Causing Damage                                                               | iii/A» : |
| Stolen Property Recovered                                                    | N/A      |

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**INCIDENT / UNUSUAL OCCURRENCE REPORT****DESCRIPTION**

Describe clearly and accurately how the Incident / UO Occurred.

At 19:58 Check Point 3 received one W 1011 impact At the time of the impact

, a member of the Triple Canopy guard force assigned to! was in the process of moving water from the staging point behind the Site lead office to the outbound personnel search area. The IDF impacted approximately 10 meters to the north east side of the T-walls protecting the CP.

happened to be walking between an opening in the T-walls at the moment of impact, received injuries to the stomach and Left thumb.

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**ACTION**

State what immediate Incident / Crisis Management measures were taken and any actions still under way or proposed.

At the moment of impact, the guards immediately began donning body armor and helmets.

came around the back of the office and met up with his supervisor,

assisted^ to the nearest bunker and began first aid. The site lead

delivered the first aid kit to the bunker and called the Complex lead)

arrived at f within 2 minutes of the DDF as well as ^/Site lead (day shift)).

an? ^continued first aid until^ could be placed on a body board and lifted into the back off jtruck for ground transportation to the CASH

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**ANALYSIS**

List what acts, failure to act and/or conditions caused or contributed to the Incident / UO.

**PREVENTION**

Detail what actions have been taken or are recommended to prevent future recurrence.

Additional T-walls should be placed to cover the openings in the existing T-walls. And additional Duck and cover be emplaced.

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| Submitted By:<br>Position: |            | L i<br>b7c |
| Date:                      | 2 May 2007 |            |

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Location: Debrah REO Date: May 17

Task Order: 058A                          *b7c*

### Person Releasing Report:

## Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Shift Supervisor

Bete of incident: MMay W -

Time.cCI»clàent: Approx. 1045

Contractor Involved: Triple Canopy, Inc.

## Betailliofcalion-off Incident: Basrah, Iraq

### **Incident Synopsis:**

Cta \_\_\_\_\_ on duty at [ ] myself [ ] and the  
Peravian guard-force pushed forward of fe gate to secure the area at [ ] We  
secured the area for repair of the! . . . . . 1-

Peruvian guard, . . . | ^J  
was assigned to block vehicle traffic from the west. While we secured the area, a local vehicle approached [ ] from the west. This vehicle was a direct threat to the entire security detail. I heard some yelling coming from [ ] position. I observed! " [ ] out in the middle of the intersection yelling and waving his arms in an attempt to signal the driver of the vehicle to stop. I observed the vehicle refuse to slow down and continue his forward movement towards [ ] ^ feed on road from his [ ] at the vehicle. Immediately, the vehicle stopped and reversed away from the intersection, ita visible damage was done to the vehicle or driver. Upon completion of the operation, normal operations continued at [ ] I notified the Guard Force Commander of the incident

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Supervisor Actions to Magate Adverse. Actions ór Preclude Me-occurrence:

Personnel Notified of Incident: Guard Force Commander, Triple Canopy Project Manager Jeffery Huber

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None  
**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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Task Order: 058A

Person Releasing Report: J

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Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Shift Supervisor

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Conteactor Involved: Triple Canopy, Inc.

BetalH^oeation Of Incident: Basrah, Iraq

**IMÁENÍ SPÍOPSIS:**

May 07, 2007, at approximately 1120 hours, [REDACTED] was supervising the 1100-1:200 hours [REDACTED] shift, [REDACTED] post shared supervision with another guard force supervisor, [REDACTED]. At the hours stated above, [REDACTED], pushed out his Peruvian guard force that he and [REDACTED] had been supervising.

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At the stated time, KBR security personnel and CTR maintenance personnel were authorized by the Guard Force Commander, [REDACTED] to push out beyond the gate all [REDACTED] to provide cover for KBR operations. Two crews of KSR were to push out past the [REDACTED]. In point A maintenance crew was going just past the gate to refuel the lights while KBR security would be going up to physical security corner measures (barricades) and connecting [REDACTED] to strengthen these

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[REDACTED] in the area designated [REDACTED] intersection, [REDACTED] stayed within the [REDACTED] of the [REDACTED] gate. [REDACTED] ad^hced himself and his Peruvian guard forces up to the intersection off [REDACTED]. While K^i security was performing the said maintenance and KBR maintenance had finished and returned inside the gate, a vehicle traveling from the side of the intersection [REDACTED] fit a high-rate of speed was stopped by [REDACTED] " 1 one of the Peruvian Guard members.

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Upon that vehicle stopping another vehicle swerved around that stopped vehicle even though it had more than enough time and distance to stop safely. The vehicle proceeded at [REDACTED] position at a high rate of speed. [REDACTED] gave a verbal shout twice to stop, along with an open hand gesture clearly stating to stop. Many other guard force members were also a visible sign that the vehicle needed to stop.

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[redacted] pointed his [redacted] in the direction of the vehicle and shouted for it to stop again. This time in the local language. The vehicle still proceeded at a high rate of speed at the clearly shut down intersection that was occupied by US DoS personnel.

At thaU^eniZIT^Tflfi^ ^ rôoBcisIfeatTstrji dc the HoodSofthe car that was now [redacted] about [redacted] Jmeters away from his position. The car immediately went into a skid, locking its breaks, and stopping aboutj^meters away from the intersection.

After the vehicle came to a halt, another car coming from the north swerved around a bus that had halted per the guard, forces command about 100 meters north of the intersection. A green caT with what appeared to be one male occupant, drove aggressively around the stopped bus even while a crowd of local on lookers tried to sigMl him to stop by hand gestures.

Theraale occupant charged towards the occupied intersection at high speeds.

[redacted] a Peruvian guard force member, was responsible for this avenue of approach. f [redacted] immediately pointed his weapon at the vehicle and yelled in the local language stop. No hand gestures were signaled due to the short amount of distance the vehicle had to travel at its high rate of speed before reaching a danger cl ose point to the perimeter setup at [redacted]. A second command was yelled to stop.

[redacted] fired two rounds at the vehicle. The first appeared to hit the radiator because of immediate steam that escaped from the engine compartment. The second round appeared to hit the hood, skip of and through the middle of the wimdsMeld of the vehicle. The vehicle then came to an immediate stop. The vehicle was hand gestured by [redacted] ; to back up. The occupant of the vehicle complied. Once the vehicle had backed up far enough the one occupant got out, appearing to be unharmed and walked away from the intersection.

Upon completion of the operation, normal operations continued at [redacted]  
[redacted] notified the Guard Force Commander of the incident.

OH#Ete injuries If applicable: None

Supervisor Aciiofls to Mfigate Adverse Anions or PrecSude Ee-occurreace:

Personne! Notified of incident: Guard Force Commander, Triple Canopy Project Manager JeffeTy Huber

Supervisor synopsis of locâi impact pf incident: None

Additlpnal Reports Generated: None

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Date of Incident: Hdpy Q7.

Location: agx^i^Q. Hq.!\*

Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: Jeff Huber

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 8 May 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 1438 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 8 May 07, at approximately 1438 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. Twelve launches and twelve impacts were initially reported. Seven impacts were confirmed inj" } one impact on the) A one direct hit on the p ~ 7 C~, one impact in the parking lot on the J one direct hit on the armored van which was parked on the J one direct hit on the fork lift which was parked on the ^ one impact between the building, one direct hit on the I side of the building. Four impacts were confirmed in the vicinity of the ^, The remaining impacts are unknown. KBR reported two T-3 casualties (one ex-pat and one local national) in, in the vicinity of the J A vehicle with one medic and an aid and litter team were dispatched to the land the casualties were brought to the casualty collection point at the [23 building. The UK military reported two T-3 casualties (one UK soldier and one local national). The Point of Origin (POO) was reported to be in the vicinity of) ,

100% accountability was complete at 1451.

Clearance operations of began at 1515 and were completed at J

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** The UK casualties consisted of; one local national with shrapnel wounds to his glutg^, .cjQe.sol^i\$rl yjth.^ t j v j s ^ 4 a ^ k l ^ .T l j g KBR casualties consisted of; one ex-pat with a shrapji\$ injury fcj ipsjep - tjiif jvowjuJ Squired seven stitches, and one local national with a through\* and'through "slrapnel wound in tfie subcutaneous layer on his right upper arm.

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**""Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

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**Date of Report:** 8May2G07  
**Location::** Basrah REO, Iraq  
**Task Order:**  
**Person Releasing Report:** Eddie Jones  
**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Guard Force Commander

Date of Incident: 8 May 2007  
Time of Incident: 11:00 p.m.  
Contractor Invoked: Triple Canopy, Inc.  
Detail Location of Incident: Regional Embassy Office Compound

## Incident Synopsis:

At approximately 1450 the Basra Palace Compound was attacked using 60mm mortars. The defensive position on the arch at the American gate was manned by P. \_\_\_\_\_ (Peruvian Guard). He observed the flames and flashes from the mortar firing, from \_\_\_\_\_ degrees' at approximately \_\_\_\_\_ meters, i. e., \_\_\_\_\_ returned fire using the \_\_\_\_\_ ~ \_\_\_\_\_ with approximately 50 rounds. The mortar fire ceased as soon as the \_\_\_\_\_ started firing.

**Outline injuries If applicable:** None

Supervisor Actions IB Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:  
None

Personnel Motffied.;oHi!cident: M } , TC.PM

Supervisor synopsis of local Impact of incident: None

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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**Date of Report:** 13 May 07

Location: Basra-Raqqa

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Person Releasing Report: Jeff Huber

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 13 May 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 0018 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 13 May 07, at approximately 0018 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. Two launches and two impacts were reported. One impact was reported in Zone 7. One impact was reported across the river. No injuries or damages were reported. Two Points of Origin (POO) were reported by C J the first was reported in the vicinity of [redacted] and the second reported in the vicinity of [redacted]. The Fixed Site Guard Force reported the POO to be in the vicinity of [redacted]. The defensive position on the arch at the American gate was manned by [redacted] (Peruvian Guard), who observed the flames and flashes from the mortar firing from [redacted] degrees at approximately [redacted] meters. [redacted] returned fire using [redacted] with approximately 20 rounds. The mortar fire ceased as soon as the [redacted] started firing.

100% accountability was complete at 0025.

No clearance operations were conducted.

The all clear was sounded at [redacted]

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**Outline injuries if applicable:**

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of Idea!intact of mcrdenVNone\***

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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Date of Report: 2003-03-03 13:00:00 a\*

Location: Basrah REO, Iraq

Task Order:

Person Releasing Report: Eddie Jones

Title Of Person Releasing Report: Guard Force Commander

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Date of Incident: 1 M ^ p i i

Time of Incident: O i S ®

Contractor Involved: Triple Canopy, Inc.

Detail Location & Ident: Regional Embassy Office Compound

**Incident Synopsis:**

At approximately 0030, the Basra Palace Compound was attacked using apparent mortars. The defensive position on the archway at the American gate was manned by the Peruvian Guard. He observed the flames and flashes from the mortar fire. It takes approximately 7 meters. The returned fire using the \_\_\_\_\_ The mortar fire ceased as soon as the! started firing,

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or preclude Reoccurrence:**  
None

Personnel Notified: RSO, TC PM

Supervisor Response to initial impact of incident: None

Additional Notes: None

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Location: 38S MB Withheld due to OpSec

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Scott Bruggemann

Title of Person Releasing Report: RTOC Commander

Date of Incident: 14 May 2007

Time of Incident: 0900 hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

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Detail Location of Incident: Southwest of \_\_\_\_\_;

Personnel Involved: BW Team \_\_\_\_\_ (TST)

Incident Synopsis: On 14 May 2007 at 0900 hours, a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of I vehicles was providing direct tactical support to f. After ensuring that I had reached their venue, \_\_\_\_\_ began to return to the International Zone (IZ). J proceeded south and crossed \_\_\_\_\_. At the first major intersection after \_\_\_\_\_, J encountered an aggressive vehicle. As \_\_\_\_\_ entered the intersection, a white sedan containing one male occupant (driver) approached the motorcade from the rear at a high rate of speed. The driver of the white sedan failed to obey several commands to stop which had been given from multiple personnel within the motorcade. The driver continued to aggressively approach the rear of the motorcade. At "j meters, a gunner from the rear vehicle of \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade deployed a pen flare, but the driver of the white sedan did not decrease speed or change direction. Another rear gunner from \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade then fired 1 round of \_\_\_\_\_. The round impacted the grill of the white sedan, causing the vehicle to immediately stop. The team reported that there were no injuries to the single male driver of the white sedan. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The I proceeded to the IZ without further incident, and staged for its next TST move.

Outline injuries if applicable: N/A

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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| RS-2007-00073         | 20070514, EOF byl 1,74,^     | CASE FINAL                                         | 14-MAY-07   |
| Case Type<br>CRIMINAL | Program<br>REGIONAL SECURITY | Dates Investigated<br>14-MAY-07 - 14-MAY-07        |             |
| Case Impact<br>LOW    | Case Status<br>CLOSED        | Open/Close Case Dates<br>16-May-2007 - 25-Aug-2007 |             |

On Tuesday May 14th, 2007, I was advised by personnel in the ~~KOO TOO ukú umb u. uo~~ <sup>the Chief of Mission (COM) Personal</sup> Security Details (PSD) had fired Pounds at a vehicle during an escalation offeree incident.

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When the team finished ~~»~~s duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

Shift Leader, J <sup>b7E,F</sup>  
Turret Gunner (Follow Car),  
Turret Gunner,<sup>^</sup>

who was in the Turret Gunner position and the only one to fire his weapon, told me the following: He said TnSTOTL supporting PSD team! They were westbound on H ~ and approaching an area where feeder streets merge onto the main roadway. The team was utilizing lights, sirens, and visual and audible signals to indicate that traffic needed to yield to their motorcade.

At the time of the shooting, a white 2 door sedan with one male occupant began to approach from an "on ramp" on the right hand side of the motorcade traveling in the same direction. It's direction and speed put it on an intercept course with the motorcade.

-me suspect vehicle accelerated! audible and visual signals for it to yield. The driver looked at him and continued on his course. At that time fired one pen flare at the vehicle, which entered the open driver's window and struck the driver. The driver still continued on his course and would not yield.

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[ ~ ] 1 quickly brought his [ 3 n target and fired one round into the engine block of the SUSPeCt A hiC'e! Whi o h the" quickly made a right hand turn and drove away from the motorcade.

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The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. I believe this escalation offeree incident to be within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy..



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| Reporting Official:<br>Hammond, Kory H<br>ARSO              | May-14-07 00:00 | Distribution |
| Approving Official(s):<br>Hammond, Kory H- APPROVED<br>ARSO | Aug-25-07 10:39 |              |

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| <u>Blackwater USA</u> | <u>—After-Action-Report (AAR)</u> | <u>fig 8</u>                                              | <u>Date/Time of Statement</u><br><u>14 May 2007 / 1500 ~</u> |
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On 13 March 2007 at approximately 1715 hours, ^—conducted a ^ ^ ^ ^ included a current situation of teams operating in the red zone and' \_\_\_\_\_ TM | e ^ ^ P 1 A TM actions on contact, and Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force.

On 14 March 2007 at approximately 0800 hours, [redacted] conducted [redacted] included any changes to previously briefed information and the Rules of Engagement per the Mission Firearms Policy and Escalation of Force. Routes and relevant venues were briefed by the Task Force Commander and the Intelligence and Threat brief was given by the [redacted] Detail Intelligence Analyst. Upon completion of the brief, [redacted] departed the [redacted] parking lot and was en-route to the vicinity of [redacted] 'jtobecentrally located for teams moving in high threat areas.

T, QrM that T was in Is a known high threat area. There are numerous threats of Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices (VBIEDs) trying to blow the bridges and a number incidents involving ^ a T In addition, had been ambushed heavy machine gun fire in that he area just of was also the location of L Blackwater/RSO Little Bird was shot down.

was traveling in a vehicle! motorcade consisting off  
"to back 100 meter" stenciled on the back of each vehicle. The warning is in English and Arabic.  
AIAeL on vehicles also have "Warning stay back" written in Arabic on the sides of the vehicles.  
was in direct support of mission to the Provincial Council Building, and was traveling  
East on through the area. Approximately 500 meters west of  
the last! Code called by, established radio communications with)  
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was now traveling west bound [redacted] jo [redacted] ^maneuvering through a check point at the base of the bridge, separation between vehicles. W v ^d over the bridge with approximately. Wieters of poached heavy traffic on the west side base off the bridge. As was slow to make a left turn at [redacted] a white 2 door sedan with one military aged, male occupant was observed driving toward the motorcade. The suspect vehicle was on a road parallel to the motorcade and was driving on a course to merge into the motorcade. Despite the loud horns and large visible warnings the vehicle continued to [redacted] motorcade. The Command Vehicles rear turret PSS [redacted] began to yell "Kiff" (Stop in Arabic). [redacted] also gave hand gestures in an attempt to get the driver of the suspect vehicle to acknowledge the motorcade and stop. When the suspect vehicle failed to slow down or stop, the lead turret PSS [redacted] located in the follow vehicle also gave the driver hand and arm signals to stop. [redacted] shouted "Kiff" In an attempt to get the suspect vehicle to stop. When the vehicle still failed to stop [redacted] fired a pen flare at the suspect vehicle. [redacted] flare went through the open driver's side window and struck the driver. Rear turret PSS [redacted] stated he made eye contact with

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| Blackwater USA        | After Action Report (AAR) | Date/Time of Statement<br>14 May 2007/1500 |
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| Location/Venue        | <i>iimsBicijrgi</i>       | Date Occurred<br>0900 hours 14 May 2007    |

the suspect vehicles driver, after the pen ^ struck Ve driver of the and continued at a high rate of speed toward the follow vehicle ot ^ ^ ^ ^ & possible Vehicle suspect vehicle ignored all warnings to stop^PSS U ^ ^ for ^ ^ ^ the lives of his Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED). FSi> vehicle in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The teammates. PSS Jired one round at the ^ ^ ^ X t m Z de no attempts to slow or round impacted on the hood of the suspect vehicle^The stopped but made a high speed right turn heading northaway from The suspect v d f e then sped through a n t a ^ check point. P\* a the suspect due to the position of! .motorcade. P S.S 1 ^ Jno iongerou notified the RSO threat, and Iraqi Police officers were in the line of fire.\* Shaft Leader. igontinued towards Tacucl Operation Center of the Incident. No injuries were observed and follow on missions. No members of? Jwere injured and

W o f-- vehicles were damaged. ///END OF STATEMENT///

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L W EISELE who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

US Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to P^h i s statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree S h e s LTments I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in STnurseof^SplinaiJ proceeding which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Civilian Experience

I have served in the WPPS Diplomatic Security Service as a personal security service member for [Redacted] years. I have served in [Redacted] training with several organizations and have experience in target

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identification, as well as discrimination between hostile and non hostile threats.

In " ", I attended and graduated from the Triple Canopy **WPPSjdb^Westchester**, Virginia. During the course we were instru^onJhe aroi^tu^MiheJ

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Upon completion from the WPPS course I was deployed to Basra, Iraq where I ^ a iii in e d to a PSD team in direct support of DOS personnel until [Redacted]

[Redacted] attended the WPPSj transition course with Blackwater USA. During the course I received additional instruction on the use of the,

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I received training on operating XsTmemberof a protective detail, shoot/no, shooting from a mobile platform, and the use of force deployed to Baghdad^ Iraq in support of the US Department of State Mission. I am currently ^ Tactical Support Team have served in the WPPS Diplomatic Security Service as a personal security service member for: " and I have received training with several organizations and have experience in Target identification, as well as discrimination between hostile and non hostile threats.

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On 14 May 2007 at approximately 0800 hours, [ ] conducted a pre-mission brief at [ ] b7E, F staging area. The brief began with intelligence passed on from the embedded intelligence analyst for [ ] Detail. The brief further included a detailed list of the teams [ ] would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any direct threats to their routes and venues. The Rules of Engagement per mission firearm policy and escalation of force, was also reiterated by the [ ] Shift Leader, [ ] was providing direct support for [ ] Intelligence reports for the day stated that [ ] venue is located in the Adhamiyah District where there has been an increase in insurgent activity. It was pointed out we were going to the same area where other Tactical Support Teams has been ambushed in the past weeks.

At approximately 0845 hours, [ ] departed the International Zone (IZ) in direct support of [ ] I was assigned to the rear turret of the follow vehicle. The vehicle configuration for the day was white. All [ ] vehicles in the motorcade "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the back of the vehicle. The warning is in both English and Arabic. In addition the Saxons have "Warning, Stay Back" written in Arabic on the sides of the vehicles. Our motorcade was traveling with the emergency lights and sirens on, in an attempt to alert civilian traffic of the motorcades approach. Additionally the drivers were sounding their air horns " t a t f a J D B ^ ^ " Our motorcade was movin west off of [ ] when a white [ ] vehicle [ ] fro'm the feed ^ ^

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I immediately gave verbal commands and physical hand gestures for the vehicle to stop^ The driver made eye contact with me, and disregarded my attempts to have him stop. The suspect vehicle continued driving toward our motorcade. The pen flare in an attempt to get the suspect vehicle to stop. "In driver's side window and struck the driver. The driver once again continued to drive directly toward my vehicle at a high rate of speed. I believed from my training and experience, and the actions and demeanor of the vehicle driver that this vehicle was a Vehicle Borne Explosive Device (VBIED). I had already acquired the suspect vehicle in my sights, and fearing for my life, as well as the life of my team members, I fired one round at the engine compartment in an attempt to disable the suspect vehicle. Our vehicle was in the process of turning left, and I slipped off the turret stand, momentarily loosing target acquisition. When I reacquired the threat vehicle, it had made a sharp right turn toward an Iraqi Police (IP) check point. The IP's were waving for the vehicle to stop also. Because the vehicle had turned away from our motorcade and due to the IP's in my line of fire, I did not engage the suspect vehicle with anymore rounds. I did not observe any injuries to the suspect vehicle driver. [ ] continued to forward Operating Base (FOB) Shields to stage for [ ] without further incidents. I advised my shift Leader. I that I had sliot to disable the suspect vehicle.

The TOC was advised of the vehicle description, disposition, and of unknown injuries. No personnel were Cijim\* Snd «09e.0f.0yfvefileG-wer^da^ged //END//

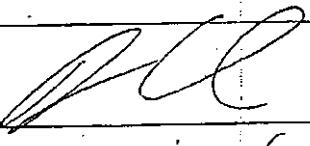
DECLARATION OF

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15th day of May, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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| 14 May 2007 | 1530 Hrs |
| Location    |          |

I, R <sup>b6</sup> <sub>b7c</sub> hereby make the following statement at the request of

Ben Eisele /who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the US Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and wilfully P ^ ® ^ e statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code Section 1001 I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Civilian Experience

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I was hired by Blackwater USA and successfully completed the WPPS training class. Received training on operating as a member of a protective detail, shoot/no shoot scenarios, shooting from a mobile platform, the rules of engagement, use of force, etc. I am currently assigned to the Civil Support Team, in support of the US State's Mission in Iraq. I have operated as a fire team member since [redacted]. As a fire team member I take part in continuous weekly training such as close quarter combat, shoot no shoot scenarios, escalation of force, convoy and recovery operations, and various other small group tactics. In addition to team training, I am briefed daily on mission specifics and escalation of force.

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On 14 May 2007 at approximately 0800 hours, " ~ 'conducted a pre-mission brief \_\_\_\_\_] staging area. The brief began with intelligence passed on from the embedded intelligence analyst for) \_\_\_\_! Detail. The brief further included a detailed list of the teams \_\_\_\_\_ would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any direct threats to their routes and venues. The Rules of Engagement per the mission firearm policy and escalation of force was also reiterated by \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader' \ ^

At approximately 0845 hours we departed the International Zone (IZ) in direct support off. \_\_\_\_\_. i. The vehicle configuration for the day! was white'

Saxon. All/ \_\_\_\_ vehicles are stenciled on the back with "Stay back 100 meters", in both English and Arabic. In addition the follow and ERV (Saxons) also have "warning stay back" written in Arabic on the sides of the vehicles. Our motoreade was traveling west over \_\_\_\_\_ toward f \_\_\_\_\_. Upon arrival at<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ ] the Command and Follow vehicle turret PSS gave verbal commands and physical hand' signals, for oncoming traffic to stop for the motorcade. I observed a white sedan approaching the rear of the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The vehicle was on a parallel road that would allow the vehicle to merge into the vehicles in our motorcade. I began to give yell "kiff (Stop in Arabic) and gave the hand gesture for the vehicle to stop. I observed the vehicle was driven by one military aged male, and there were no other occupants in the vehicle. The vehicle did not stop or in any way acknowledge my warnings; I deployed a penjlare which struck the driver through the open driver side window. The vehicle was approximately' \_\_\_\_ meters from our rfiotorcade, and had still not stopped. I believed the vehicle was a Vehicle Borne Explosive Device, and was in fear for my life, h/vas in the process of transitioning to mvF^rifle. when the rear turret PSS, \_\_\_\_\_ fired a shot to disable with hisf J I observed \_\_\_\_\_/round impacted the hood of the suspect vehicle just above the grill. The suspect vehicle then made a hard right turn toward an Iraqi Police check point. The suspect vehicle did not slow down, and appeared to have gone through the check point without stopping. Our motorcade made a left turn on to Haifa St., and I was no longer able to see the suspect vehicle. I heard PSS| J advise our Shift Leader J that he had fired a shot in an attempt to disable the suspect Vehicle. We continued in direct support of > \_\_\_\_\_./and arrived at our staging area without further incident. Our motorcade staged at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shield for follow on missions.

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The TOC was advised of the vehicles description, disposition, and that we did not observe any injuries to the driver of the suspect vehicle. No personnel fromT \_\_\_\_\_! were injured and none of \ vehicles were damaged.//END///

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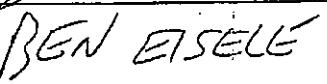
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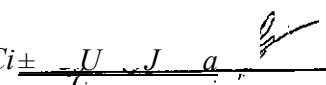
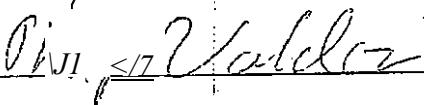
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 15th day of May, 2007.

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Date Of Report: \* " " is r 1 ^ m i

Location: Basrah REO, Iraq

Task Order:

Person Releasing Report: Eddie Jones

Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Force Commander

**Date of Incident:**

15 May 2007

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Time of Incident;

Contrarr Invoked:

Triple Canopy, fire.

Deiatl .Location «f Incident:

Regional Embassy Office Compound

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At approximately 0.630 the Basra Palace Compound was attacked using apparent mortars. The defensive position on the arch at the American gate was manned by P \_\_\_\_\_ iTPeravian Guard). He observed the flames and flashes from the mortar firing from' [degrees] at approximately ^ \_\_\_\_\_ returned fire using thd \_\_\_\_\_ " " " " with approximately 40 rounds. The mortar lire • I ceased as soon as the \_\_\_\_\_ ^ started firing. b6 b7C

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse **Actions** or Preclude Re-occurrence:  
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**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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Location: K^hREG), and .. : : ; ; ;

Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: Thomas Woodyard

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 15 May 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 0625 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 15 May 07, at approximately 0625 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. Six launches and six impacts were reported. All impacts were reported to be outside of the compound.

approximately 150 meters from CULT» damages were reported. The Fixed M1 Site Guard Force reported the Point of Origin (POO) to be in the vicinity of [redacted]. The defensive position on the arch at the American gate was manned by [redacted] (Peruvian ^C Guard). He observed the flames and flashes from the mortar firing from [redacted] /degrees at a distance of approximately [^meters]. [redacted] returned fire using thef with approximately 40 rounds. The mortar fire ceased as soon as [redacted] started firing.

100% accountability (with the exception of f H ^ personnel) was complete at 0638.

No clearance operations were conducted.

The all clear was sounded at [redacted]

**Outline injuries if applicable:**

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

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**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 15 May 2007 b7E, F  
Location: IVOL

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Scott Bruggemann

Title of Person Releasing Report: RTOC Commander

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Date of Incident: 15 May 2007

Time of Incident: 0949 hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Between \_\_\_\_\_

Personnel Involved: BW Team] (TST)

**Incident Synopsis:** On 15 May 2007 at 0949 hours, a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of vehicles was providing area tactical support for COM PSD teams. At 0949, the lead vehicle members noticed that there was a new bullet hole in the front of their vehicle. The team indicated that the SAF (small arms fire) damage was likely incurred ten minutes prior while the convoy moved north between \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_. The lead vehicle members had not noticed the SAF at the time of impact. There were no injuries to COM personnel, and no further damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team proceeded to FOB Shield without further incident, and staged for its next TST move in support of \_\_\_\_\_.

Outline injuries if applicable: N/A

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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 Location: IVO? 1 b7E,F

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Scott Bruggemann

Title of Person Releasing Report: RTOC Commander

Date of Incident: 16 May 2007

Time of Incident: 0938 hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident:

Personnel Involved: BW Team|1(TST)^  
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**Incident Synopsis:** On 16 May 2007 at 0938 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ j a Tactical Support Team fTST) comprised of \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles was providing area tactical support to COM PSD teams. As \_\_\_\_\_ 1 \_\_\_\_\_ neared the intersection\_\_\_\_\_, a grey Mercedes sedan containing two male occupants approached the motorcade at a high rate of speed^JThe driver of the grey sedan failed to obey several commands to stop, and a gunner from the \_\_\_\_\_ j motorcade fired one' \_\_\_\_ (round from his] \_\_\_\_ to disable the grey sedan. The round impacted the grill of the grey sedan, causing the vehicle to immediately stop. \_\_\_\_\_ (reported that there were no injuries to the two occupants of the grey sedan. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. T h e " " \_\_\_\_\_ proceeded to without further incident, and staged for its next TST move.

Outline injuries if applicable: N/A

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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| Report #:<br>17-07                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | Incident-Casualty Report<br>WPPS                       |                       |                   |         | Report Date/Time:<br>16 May 2007/1400 |
| REPORTING INFORMATION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                        |                       |                   |         |                                       |
| INCIDENT DATE/TIME:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              | 0910 16<br>May<br>2007                                 | INCIDENT<br>LOCATION: | Erbil, Iraq at    |         |                                       |
| TOTAL # PERSONNEL:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               | 16                                                     | KIA                   | Unk               | WIA:    | Unk                                   |
| INCIDENT DESCRIPTION:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | One Round Fired, Escalation of Force, Shoot to disable |                       |                   |         |                                       |
| REPORTED BY:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Shift Leader/                                          |                       |                   | METHOD: | Radio                                 |
| POINT OF CONTACT:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |                                                        |                       |                   | TEL#:   |                                       |
| VICTIM INFORMATION                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                        |                       |                   |         |                                       |
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| <p>On 16 May 2007 at 0910 (was moving passengers in a motorcade in Erbil. They were traveling East bound towards] ffRe traffic light at' &gt; as red so the motorcade stopped about fifty yards from the light. The"</p> <p>While they were stopped, a Mercedes approaching from the rear at a high rate of speed/ began yelling verbal commands to stop and using hand and arm signals. The vehicle did not slow down and continued moving towards the motorcade. He pointed his weapon at the vehicle but it continued moving towards the motorcade. The vehicle was about meters away at this time so "fired one round into the engine block. The vehicle immediately swerved to the right side of the road and stopped. There did not appear to be any injuries to the occupants. It appeared that the engine was leaking fluid. The Shift Leader, notified the TOC in Erbil and reported the incident, continued on with their mission.</p> |                                                        |                       |                   |         |                                       |

# INCIDENT REPORT

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Date: M^ Q7- LOCATED: Basrah, Iraq CLASSIFIED

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Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: Thomas Woodyard

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 17 May 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 0133 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 17 May 07, at approximately 0133 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Direct Fire. A single flare and a single RPG round were reportedly fired at [ ] followed up by small arms fire (approximately 20 to 30 rounds). This fire came from the north of the [ ] position at approximately TZ1 [ ]. The Fixed Site Guard Force [ ] returned fire (approximately 200 rounds). No injuries or damages were reported.

**Outline injuries if applicable:**

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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Date of Report: 17 May 1970

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Location: Basrah RFO, Iraq

Task Order:

Person Releasing Report: Eddie Jones

Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Force Commander

**Date of Incident:**

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Time of Incident:

0145 hrs.

Contractor Involved:

Triple Canopy, Inc.

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Incident Synopsis:

At approximately 0145 the Basra Pakce'Gompound main gate was attacked using sotne type of pyrotechnic followed by small arms fire(SAF) from the vicinity of the Ij m'ter secta. The follow defensive positions returned fire; the main gate-defensive position (Manned by L, Peruvian guards-with(w^, 50 rounds each), Tower (Manned by L, a Penian ^Guard w i ä r u5Qy onnds) and the Main Gate Arch (Manned by f ^Peruvian Guard with 200 rounds). The incoming S AF ceased when the guards returned fire

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** None**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate, Reverse Actions or Prevent Re-occurrence:**  
None**Personnel Modified of Incident:** RS0, TC PM**Supervisor synopsis w/focal impact^incident:** None**Meditorial Reports Generated:** None

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 23 May 3gQ7; 8-74  
Location: IVO\* [REDACTED]

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RTOC Commander

Date of Incident: 23 May 2007

Time of Incident: 1046 hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: [REDACTED]

Personnel Involved: BW Teams' [REDACTED] 4 (TST) and [REDACTED] (PSD)

**Incident Synopsis:** On 23 May 2007 at 1046 hours, [REDACTED] a CoM PSD, reported SAF engagement while at their venue, Amanat City Hall. [REDACTED] a Tactical Support Team (TST), providing primary area tactical support to CoM PSD teams, responded to assist in [REDACTED] egress from the venue. Upon arrival at [REDACTED] [REDACTED] encountered heavy SAF and engaged the origin of the SAF; a building to the west of [REDACTED], while still on venue, reported several RPG rounds being fired at P [REDACTED]. (the secondary TST, was dispatched to assist in the egress of [REDACTED] and [REDACTED]. Upon [REDACTED] arrival they too encountered heavy SAF and also engaged the area where the SAF was emanating. At approximately 1100 all engaged elements broke contact and were able to return to the IZ without further incident. Two (2)\* [REDACTED] team members received minor superficial shrapnel wounds and were treated and released at the CSH. There was an undetermined amount of 5.56 and 7.62 rounds expended by all three elements. There was no major damage to any CoM assets.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** Superficial shrapnel wounds to two (2) [REDACTED] team members

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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| backwater USA                      | After Action Report (AAR)       |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>23May07 11530 hrs |
| Name<br>_____<br><i>b6<br/>b7c</i> | Team<br>_____<br><i>b7c</i>     | Situation<br>Smalls Arms Engagement/Team Extraction                              | <i>b7E, F</i>                               |
| Location/Venue<br>t = _____        | ... Tiring pug-od<br>to « h * : | Date Occurred<br>23 May 07                                                       |                                             |

### Incident Report BW 052307 (1) Weapons Discharge Baghdad

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i, r \_\_\_\_\_, serve as a member of \_\_\_\_\_. The following statement is a true and accurate representation of the facts surrounding the events that occurred on May 23, 2007 in Baghdad, Iraq.

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, \_\_\_\_\_ activities during the rescue of \_\_\_\_\_ from the Amanat City Hall and subsequent engagement of enemy forces at the intersection commonly referred to as \_\_\_\_\_). This incident occurred on 23 May 2007 at approximately 1043 hours. ^ \_\_\_\_\_ personnel involved in this incident include the following:

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On 23 May 2007 at approximately 0830hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ j conducted a pre-mission brief at \_\_\_\_\_ ^ staging area. The brief began with intelligence passed on from the team intelligence representative which was received from the imbedded intelligence analyst for J (Detail. The brief further included a detailed list of the teams \_\_\_\_\_, would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any direct threat to their routes and venues. The mission firearm policy and escalation of force, per Department of State, was also reiterated by the) \_\_\_\_\_ "'''j shift Leader. ^ \_\_\_\_\_ would be staging at various Checkpoints (CP) throughout the International Zone in support of all elements.

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At approximately 1040hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ I was staged at \_\_\_\_\_ iproviding support for \_\_\_\_\_ ion their way to venue. The vehicle makeup for the day was \_\_\_\_\_, All \_\_\_\_\_ j vehicles in the motorcade have clearly written on the back "Warning stay back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic.

At 1043hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ reported small arms fire impacting their venue (Baghdad Ammant \_\_\_\_\_ J. At that time, \_\_\_\_\_ restaged at \_\_\_\_\_ to provide additional support to \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ if needed. \_\_\_\_\_ arrived on scene \_\_\_\_\_ j at approximately 1053 hrs and began receiving small arms fire. \_\_\_\_\_ requested additional TST assets. At approximately 1056 hrs, ^ \_\_\_\_\_ I was directed by the TOC to depart the International Zone to provide assistance to \_\_\_\_\_ land \_\_\_\_\_, depaigd' \_\_\_\_\_ and turned east at \_\_\_\_\_, toward Bridge \_\_\_\_\_; continued east through T~, passing over Bridge \_\_\_\_\_ and entering' \_\_\_\_\_. from the southwest side of the traffic circle. Immediately upon entering the traffic circle, \_\_\_\_\_ was engaged from elevated positions to the north, south, and east of their position. In fear for their lives and those of their teammates, all turret gunners positively acquired armed targets and returned fire. Team members opened shooting ports and began engaging armed targets after positive identification. \_\_\_\_\_ was contacted by \_\_\_\_\_ and asked to break contact and depart venue. \_\_\_\_\_ continued to hold position until approximately 1100hrs at which time they departed venue going north toward Bridge \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ broke contact and exited the traffic circle to the southwest heading toward Bridge At 1102hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ contacted the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) notifying them they could not use the intended route and \_\_\_\_\_

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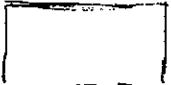
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| »                     | Team →            | Situation<br><b>Small Arms Engagement/Team Extraction</b> |
| Location/Venue<br>1 1 | WJ<cs*<br>E m u u | Date Occurred<br><b>23 May 07</b>                         |

had to return to " [ ] in order to depart the area] [ ] i and [ ] returned to the traffic circle at [ ] to aide in the departure of' [ ] i Upon entering ^ .. both elements were engaged again and returned fire. At 1104hrs, [ ] reentered' [ ] and passed by[ ] and [ ] at which time they) [ ] from their vehicles which significantly hindered the departure and ability of' [ ] I and [ ] turret gunners to effectively perform their duties. [ ] and [ ] broke contact and departed the area behind crossing over Bridgel [ ] at approximately 1107hrs. [ ] /returned to the International Zone through' [ ] Upon entering the International Zone, 2 [ ] PSS were found to have minor shrapnel wounds. [ ] J moved through the International Zone to the 10<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Hospital. At approximately 1112 hrs[ ] ^arrived at the 10<sup>th</sup> CSH and moved the wounded personnel to an area designated by hospital personnel.

Upon arriving in the International Zone, the Shift Leader for [ ] contacted the RSO TOC with a more detailed report of the incidents. [ ] then returned to/ [ ] staging area to refit vehicles, ammunition, and replace personnel. After performing mission essential equipment checks, [ ] /departed the staging area to continue supporting Team elements operating outside of the International Zone. With the exception of 3 to 4 small dents on the vehicles, there was no major damage to [ ] vehicles and both wounded personnel were released from the CSH.//END///


  
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| -Blackwater USA        | After Action Report (AAR) |  | Date/Time of Statement<br>23May07 /1530 hrs |
| Name <u>b4<br/>f/c</u> | Team _____                | Situation<br><b>Small Arms Engagement/Team Extraction</b>                       |                                             |
| Location/Venue         | ##<br>1.1 hit*            | #:T fnç,g«:uii<ii<br>tD35 hit                                                   | Date Occurred<br><b>23 May 07</b>           |

## **Incident Report BW 052307 (1) Weapons Discharge Baghdad**

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The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, \_\_\_\_\_ (activities during the rescue of \_\_\_\_\_ J from the Amanat City Hall and subsequent engagement of enemy forces at the intersection commonly referred to as' \_\_\_\_\_ J. This incident occurred on 23 May 2007 at approximately—1043 hours. \_\_\_\_\_ (personnel involved in this incident include the following:)

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On 23 May 2007 at approximately 0830hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ \ conducted a pre-mission brief at \_\_\_\_\_) staging area. yi<Z, I The brief began with intelligence passed on from the team intelligence representative which was received from the imbedded intelligence analyst for ~~the~~ ij Detail. The brief further included a detailed list of the teams \_\_\_\_\_ would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any direct threat to their routes and venues. The mission firearm policy and escalation of force, per Department of State, was also reiterated by the \_\_\_\_\_ ] Shift Leader. \_\_\_\_\_ would be staging at various Checkpoints (CP) throughout the International Zone in support of all elements.

At approximately 1040hrs, I [REDACTED] was staged at [REDACTED] providing support for [REDACTED]fonjheir way to venue. The vehicle makeup for the day was [REDACTED] I All f~ vehicles in the motorcade have clearly written on the back " Warning stay back 100 meters " in both English and Arabic.

At 1043 hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ reported small arms fire impacting their venue (Baghdad Ammant' \_\_\_\_\_. At that time, \_\_\_\_\_ restated at! \_\_\_\_\_ to provide additional support to' \_\_\_\_\_ and f \_\_\_\_\_ if needed. arrived on scene \_\_\_\_\_ at approximately 1053 hrs and began receiving small arms fire. I \_\_\_\_\_ -(requested additional TST assets. At approximately 1056 hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ jwas directed by the TOC to depart the International Zone to provide assistance to[\_\_\_\_\_] and^ \_\_\_\_\_(, \_\_\_\_\_)j/departed ^ \_\_\_\_\_ and turned east at! \_\_\_\_\_ toward Bridge" \_\_\_\_\_ jcontinued east through \_\_\_\_\_ passing over-Bridge) .and entering! \_\_\_\_\_. from the southwest side of the traffic circle. Immediately upon entering the traffic circle,! \_\_\_\_\_ was engaged from elevated positions to the north, south, and east of their position. In fear for their lives and those of their teammates, all turret gunners positively acquired armed targets and returned fire. Team members opened shooting ports and began engaging armed targets after positive identification. \_\_\_\_\_ Jwas contacted by \_\_\_\_\_ and asked to break contact and depart venue. \_\_\_\_\_ jcontinued to hold position until approximately 1 100hrs at which time they departed venue going north toward Bridge! \_\_\_\_\_ J and! \_\_\_\_\_ broke contact and exited the traffic circle to the southwest heading toward Bridge[j] At 1102hrs, \_\_\_\_\_ contacted the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) notifying them they could not use the intended route and

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| Location/Venue  | Tim%>ccufred<br><b>1056 hrs</b> |         | Date Occurred<br><b>23 May 07</b>                         |

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had to return to [ ] in order to depart the area. [ ] and [ ] returned to the traffic circle at [ ] to aide in the departure of [ ]. Upon entering [ ] both elements were engaged again and returned fire. At 1104hrs, [ ] reentered [ ] and passed by [ ] and [ ]; at which time they [ ] A from their vehicles which significantly hindered the departure and ability of [ ] , and \* [ ] turret gunners to effectively perform their duties. [ ] and [ ] broke contact and departed the area behind crossing over Bridge^ at approximately 1107hrs. [ ] and [ ] returned to the International Zone through [ ]. Upon entering the International Zone, 2 [ ] PSS were found to have minor shrapnel wounds. [ ] moved through the International Zone to the 10<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Hospital. At approximately 1112 hrs, [ ] arrived at the 10<sup>th</sup> CSH and moved the wounded personnel to an area designated by hospital personnel.

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Upon arriving in the International Zone, the Shift Leader for [ ] contacted the RSO TOC with a more detailed report of the incidents. [ ] then returned to [ ] staging area to refit vehicles, ammunition, and replace personnel. After performing mission essential equipment checks, [ ] departed the staging area to continue supporting Team elements operating outside of the International Zone. With the exception of 3 to 4 small dents on the vehicles, there was no major damage to\* [ ] (vehicles and both wounded personnel were released from the CSH.///END///

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| Name<br><u>hit-</u> | Team                      | Situntinn | , Rescue                          |                                                |
| Location/Venue      |                           |           | Time Occurred<br><u>1043 hrs.</u> | Date Occurred<br><u>23 may 2007</u>            |

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On 23 May 2007 at approximately 0630 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ j conducted a mission briefing. The mission brief included rules of engagement, firearms policy, escalation of force, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence to include sniper activity, recent small arms attacks, and explosive attacks.

At approximately 1043 hours, while staged in the vicinity of the Ministry of Interior, \_\_\_\_\_ 1 heard \_\_\_\_\_ advise the Tactical Operations Center via \_\_\_\_\_ (radio that they were receiving enemy fire at their venue. \_\_\_\_\_ i advised they were loading their principles and preparing to depart. \_\_\_\_\_ i coordinated with the TOC and began moving to assist \_\_\_\_\_. While in route, \_\_\_\_\_ j Shift Leader, \_\_\_\_\_ P, made direct contact wjth \_\_\_\_\_ in order to coordinate the ex-filtration of' \_\_\_\_\_ from their venue. \_\_\_\_\_ advised \_\_\_\_\_ that they had their principles loaded and were awaiting^ \_\_\_\_\_ arrival. \_\_\_\_\_ told \_\_\_\_\_ /they could lock down' \_\_\_\_\_ the intersection just south of their venue, and asked \_\_\_\_\_ if they were able to depart and meet \_\_\_\_\_ /there. \_\_\_\_\_ stated they could meet \_\_\_\_\_ at! \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ j approached \_\_\_\_\_ i from the east, When' \_\_\_\_\_ I was approximately 300 meters from the intersection, Shift Leader) \_\_\_\_\_ i told \_\_\_\_\_ /to depart their venue for the rendezvous at' \_\_\_\_\_ advised they were departing and Shift Leader" \_\_\_\_\_ i told \_\_\_\_\_ j they would become part of motorcade, being placed in the middle of' \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade.

A 4 HMMWV Iraqi Army motorcade traveling in front of' \_\_\_\_\_, entered the \_\_\_\_\_ intersection and then turned northbound onto Route \_\_\_\_\_ in the counter flow lanes and staged approximately 400 meters north of' \_\_\_\_\_ j entered the^ \_\_\_\_\_, intersection in order to lock it down. \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles were positioned^ receive \_\_\_\_\_ /into their motorcade as well as to provide coverage for' \_\_\_\_\_ to break contact. \_\_\_\_\_ advised they were' \_\_\_\_\_, in their vehicles J" \_\_\_\_\_ Lead and Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) drove past the northbound lanes of Route \_\_\_\_\_ and stopped with proper spacing in

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## After Action Report (AAR)

Date/Time of Statement  
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| Name           | <i>b7c</i> | Team | Situation                  | Rescue                       |
| Location/Venue | <i>in</i>  |      | Time Occurred<br>1043 hrs. | Date Occurred<br>23 may 2007 |

began receiving fire from enemy combatants immediately after staging in the intersection. gunners positively identified gunman wearing street clothing and carrying assault rifles, firing from the fourth floor of the large round building on the southeast side of the intersection, as well as street level on the west and east side in a parking lot of the same building. There were also gunmen sighted on a building located to the southwest side of the intersection as well as on top of the Amanat City Hall. Fearing for their lives and the lives of their teammates and civilians, turret gunners and fire team members returned fire whenever a threat was positively identified. A U.S. Army unit pulled up behind vehicle on the east side of The Army unit came under immediate small arms fire and appeared to return fire, f also arrived at a short time later and began locking down the south side of the intersection. Reference is made to after action report for further details relative to this incident.

Simultaneously, Shift Leader tried several times to coordinate departure. This task was made difficult by apparent communication problems. I began to depart If or venue to escort them off until f called out they were departing, /finally departed the venue northbound on Route {toward the intersection commonly referred to as I and broke contact and began leaving the area when I called out that their path was blocked near and they were returning to > and returned to j and locked the intersection down once again. Once I arrived at they were incorporated into /motorcade and all units began leaving the area. While departing Team J deployed white phosphorus smoke. White phosphorus particles hit Lead vehicle and burned J causing all of the occupants to have difficulty breathing.

^j and then drove to Check Point Q and entered the International Zone without further incident, drove to Check Point! and staged to finish the days missions. All personnel were accounted for and the only visible injuries observed were several small burns on"

J-supplied' j with ammunition and smoke grenades. Upon completion of all missions, i returned to the parking area." , inspected / vehicles where it was determined there were numerous impacts from enemy fire.//END///

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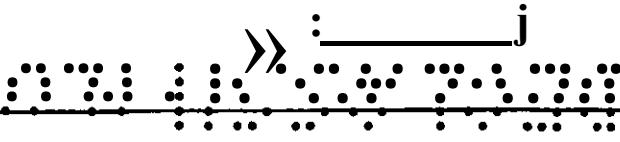
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| Name<br><i>b6 b7c</i> | Team                      | Situation                                                                        | Rescue                                         |
| Location/Venue        |                           | Time Occurred<br>1043J1»                                                         | Date Occurred<br>23 May 2007                   |

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## INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.***Date of Report:** 24 May 3007**Location:** ~~SECRET~~**Task Order:** 6~~SECRET~~**Person Releasing Report:** Anthony Sanganetti**Title of Person Releasing Report:** RTOC Commander

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**Date of Incident:** 24 May 2007**Time of Incident:** 0816 hours**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater**Detail Location of Incident:** ~~SECRET~~

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**Personnel Involved:** BW<sup>1</sup>(TST)

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**Incident Synopsis:** On 24 May 2007 at 0816 hours, [ ] a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of [ ] vehicles was providing area tactical support to COM PSD teams. As [ ] neared the intersection of [ ] a maroon sedan containing one male occupant approached the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The driver of the sedan failed to obey several commands to stop, and in an escalation of force the rear gunner from the follow vehicle fired two [ ] rounds from his [ ] into the grill of the sedan. The sedan continued towards the motorcade and the rear gunner of the follow vehicle fired two additional [ ] rounds into the windshield causing the vehicle to immediately stop. [ ] reported no apparent injuries to the occupant of the sedan. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. [ ] continued to their staging area without further incident.

At approximately 0855 while attempting to move from the Ministry of Interior (MoI) compound to FOB Shield, [ ] "1 movement was blocked by four (4) Iraqi Police (IP) gun trucks and the team was approached by MoI security officials. The team was informed the individual involved in the escalation of force was wounded and all [ ] members were requested to provide their identification. The team members were instructed to remain in their vehicles and not provide any information or identification. US Army SOC was contacted, briefed on the situation and dispatched two military units to assist. After approximately three hours of negotiations through US Embassy Political Office, RSO, HTP and Iraqi MoI officials the team was released.

**Outline injuries if applicable:** None**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A**Personnel Notified of Incident:** RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** N/A**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.~~SECRET~~



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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>24 May 2007                 | Time<br>Approximately 1630 Hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                  |

I. *b7c* hereby make the following statement at the request of

, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

### General Military/Civilian Experience

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In *y? c* I took a contract with Blackwater USA in North Carolina and attended WPPS class'. I received training in operating as a member of a protective detail. I qualified and received training on the *b7E*. The training standards were similar to those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. After training, I was sent to Baghdad, Iraq as part of Blackwater's contract with the Department of State. During my time with Blackwater, I have served on *?PSD teams*. I am currently assigned to Tactical Support Team *H* and have been in that capacity for *W b7c*.

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At approximately 0820 hours, 100 meters prior to the intersection known as T~ I V ? ^  
I observed a maroon four-door sedan traveling at a high rate of speed on a merging street to the right side of our motorcade. I was assigned as the front turret PSS in the follow vehicle. I gave the suspect sedan verbal and visual hand signals to stop. The driver made eye contact with me but kept driving in the direction of our Follow vehicle. The lights and sirens on all of our vehicles were activated and all other Iraqi traffic was yielding. In addition to lights and sirens, the air horns on our vehicles were being utilized to warn traffic of our presence. The suspect vehicle ignored our warnings and proceeded to increase speed towards our Follow vehicle. My experience led me to believe that the vehicle could have been a Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED). At this point, the suspect vehicle went out of my view and into the follow turret gunner's \_\_\_\_\_ sector of security. I heard} \_\_\_\_\_ give several loud verbal commands for the suspect vehicle to stop and approximately 2 to 3 seconds later, I heard multiple shots fired. \ \_\_\_\_\_ relayed via internal communications that he had fired first to disable and then to stop the threat. The suspect vehicle was out of my view at the time of the shots fired. At the time of the incident, I was unaware of the driver of the vehicles status. We continued in direct support of \_\_\_\_\_ and arrived at our staging area which was Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shield without further incident. No personnel from' \_\_\_\_\_ i were injured nor were anyl vehicles damaged. I heard my Shift Leader contacting the RSO TOC with a more detailed account of the incident while at FOB Shield. We subsequently staged at the FOB for follow on missions.///END///

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Signed

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Address

WPPS Camp Baghdad

Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 25th day of May, 2007.

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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

Witness Signature

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## Sworn Statement

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### General Military/Civilian Experience

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In [ ] I completed training for the World Wide Personal Protection Service (WPPS), at Blackwater USA. This program was similar to the Department of State Diplomatic Security Service agent training to include: weapons training, threat assessment and target recognition, shoot / don't shoot scenarios, and shooting from a moving platform. I am currently assigned to<sup>1</sup> [ ] Tactical Support Team (TST).

### Incident

At approximately 0730 hours on May 24, 2007, I attended a pre-mission brief given by the Shift Leader (m [ ] j for [ ]) Rules of engagement, load plans, and intelligence updates were given as part of the pre-mission, b7E: l/j/vas:apsjgnQi«3|be|, S^ai\*tyn'ret aupner in the follow Puma, b7C: of our vehicle motorcade forniafion"! ! ... ! ... ! .. ! . ! : . : . : . : . : .

At approximately 0800 hours, our motorcade departed the International Zone through Checkpoint [REDACTED]. We were to travel over Bridge [REDACTED] « ^ « » I\* eod or te Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shield to stage in support bill [REDACTED] I Difliflg tte Pre-IritSsiflnirrief, Intelligence advised that there was a threat of (Vehicle\*Borne ImprovilecJ E\*xpo\*sive Devices\*(176IEDs) being used against Coalition Forces in our area of operations.

While moving towards the large intersection known as [REDACTED] ^ traffic appeared normal and kept a distance of at least 100 meters to the rear of our Follow vehicle. All [REDACTED] of our vehicles had stenciled on the rear panel in both Arabic and English with the words~"Warning, Stay Back 100 meters".

At approximately 0820 hours, our motorcade was approximately 100 meters from [REDACTED] !. I heard the front turret gunner of the Follow vehicle I [REDACTED] . j yell that a car was moving at a high rate of speed to our right side on an entrance ramp\*TaFso heard him yelling "Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic. I adjusted to the right side and saw a maroon four door sedan approximately 50 meters away. All [REDACTED] of our vehicles had lights and sirens activated. Our air horns were also being utilized and all Iraqi traffic was yielding to our warnings with the exception of the maroon sedan. I too began to wave my arms at the suspect vehicle and yelled "Kiff" as loud as I could. The driver of the sedan was looking straight at me.

The driver of the suspect vehicle was a male approximately 30 years of age. He continued to ignore all my signals to stop and sped up towards the Follow vehicle that I occupied. I raised my Department of State issued [REDACTED] Carbine and pointed it at the driver of the sedan as a warning. He showed no signs of slowing and continued to stare at me. From past experience, this was a clear indicator to me that he could be driving a possible VBIED. His vehicle picke^\_jp speed as he drove up directly behind us. He closed the distance to within approximately, [REDACTED] meters. I knew at this point that the driver of the suspect vehicle had no intention of stopping. I was also aware that our team would have to slow down and turn at the intersection of [REDACTED] j only 100 meters ahead. I did not want the threat to enter our motorcade where he could inflict the most damage to my team. Fearing for the lives of my teammates and for my own life, I fired 2 rounds to the grill of the sedan in order to disable the vehicle. The driver of the suspect vehicle didn't everi appear to flinch. He continued to speed up and stare at me all the way. Our vehicles were now ready to take the turn af [REDACTED] land the threat was still not stopping. I took aim and fired 3 to 5 rounds at the driver in order"to stop the threat. I then yelled down to the Vehicle Commander not to slow down and keep moving because the suspect vehicle was continuing to roll in our direction. The suspect vehicle drifted right and slammed into a parked car. At the time of the incident, I was unaware of the driver of the suspect vehicles status. I was however, reasonably sure that I had hit the driver with at least 1 round and I informed my Truck Commander of that information via internal communications. We turned the corner and entered the Ministry of Interior (MOI) to stage in support of [REDACTED] and other teams in the area. I reported more in depth the incident to my Shift Leader upon arrival at MOI. Shift Leader' [REDACTED] J contacted the RSO TOC and informed them of the shoot. No [REDACTED] /personnel were injured during the incident nor were any) [REDACTED] ! vehicles damaged.//EN D//

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 25th day of May, 2007.

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May 25, 2007

Spot Report-052507-04

**Subject:** Escalation of Force-Kirkuk PSD team fires on aggressive vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Erbil

**Summary:** DynCorp PSD Team fired four rounds at an approaching vehicle; no apparent injuries to occupant.

**Reoorf** On May 25 2007 at approximately 1431, a DynCorp PSD Team was traveling in 11^-vehicle motorcade when it encountered an aggressive motOT^st. The motorcade was traveling north along Highway J from the S to le REO in route to the Department of State Compound» Erbil. The incident occurred approximately 10 miles south of Erbil.

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We grayish-blue colored sedan was driven by a man who appeared to be I r S a t e l y 50 years old. While the motorcade was waiting to clear a checkpoint, the subject sedan approached the motorcade at a high rate of speeT The left rear (LR) and right rear (RR) of the CAT vehicle and toe LR of L follow vehicle attempted to gain the driver's attention with hand signals and voice commands followed by flashes from high-intensity spotlights.

TO e sedan's d n o v e r l ^ d als and accelerated toward the motorcade. When tte miitlfwas-approximatetly f ® motorcade, the LR and RR of the CATvehicle and the LR of the follow

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vehicle feed one roundj^S. of the sedan; W H E H ^ ^  
one additional round.

Once the sedan skidded to a halt, the driver exited with his hands in the air;  
no injuries were apparent. The shift leader immediately notified the Erbil  
TOC Zd the motorcade continued to the scheduled venue.

**RSO Action:** PSD members submitted statements and were debriefed.

DRAFTED BY: Zach Zittle, RSO Erbil

CLEARED BY: Randall Bennett, RSO Baghdad

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**UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
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REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**



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|----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| TITLE                                        |                             | DS CASE NUMBER / REPORT NUMBER                |                             |
| COM PSD (Kirkuk) Fires on Aggressive Vehicle |                             | 2007 - Kirkuk                                 |                             |
| TRUE NAME<br>N/A                             |                             | CASE TYPE<br>Use of Force                     |                             |
| POST<br>Kirkuk                               | DATE REPORTED<br>05-25-2007 | DATES INVESTIGATED<br>05/25/2007 - 05/25/2007 | REPORTING AGENT<br>RSO Rowe |

**SYNOPSIS**

Summary: On May 25, 2007, at approximately 1431 hrs, a Kirkuk COM PSD 1 vehicle motorcade enroute from REO Kirkuk to the Erbil USAID compound, fired on a vehicle after determining that the vehicle posed an immediate threat to their motorcade. This use of force was appropriate and within the parameters of DS use-of-force policy. No injuries to the lone occupant were noted. End Summary.

The following chain of events is derived from the statements provided by the team members involved in the shooting:

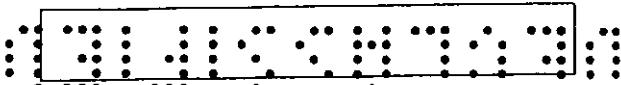
1. A Kirkuk 1 vehicle COM PSD motorcade was traveling from REO Kirkuk, route enroute to the USAID compound in Erbil. At approximately 10 miles from Erbil, was in a bubble formation at a police checkpoint. While waiting to clear the checkpoint follow and CAT vehicles observed a grayish-blue sedan with one male (approximately 50 years old) occupant approaching the rear of the motorcade at a high rate of speed.
2. The left and right rear gunners of the CAT vehicle as well as the left rear of the follow vehicle had their doors open attempting to waive (hand signals) off the driver. Verbal commands were also given and both vehicles had red warning lettering (stay back 100 meters) on the rear of their vehicles. The driver failed to heed the warnings and at approximately Z I — car lengths from the motorcade, the shift rear CAT vehicle gunner and left rear follow vehicle gunner each fired one round into the grill of vehicle. In addition, the left rear CAT vehicle gunner fired two rounds into the grill of the vehicle as well.
3. The sedan skidded to a complete stop and the driver exited vehicle with his hands in the air and uninjured. The shift leader made notifications to the Erbil TOC and the motorcade proceeded with its mission. No COM personnel were injured. Case Closed.

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I, [redacted] n hereby make the following statement voluntarily to  
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U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service.

O\* +U above date and time I witnessed a shooting  
by [ ] I was in the well gunner in the iAT ^A-<sup>AA</sup>..  
A vehicle approached our stopped motorcycle. I waved my hand  
with a flashlight to gain the drivers attention. He did not stop  
or slow down. I started waving/swiveling my mounted [ ] and  
yelled out to our vehicle that the vehicle was approaching. Both  
[ ] + [ ] exited our stopped vehicle and began yelling to  
stop. I aimed in the to the vehicle. [ ] as  
I tried to adjust my point of aim, the vehicle continued  
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fire. The vehicle was [ ] meters away. I witness all rounds  
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Signed  | <u>Zachariah M. Zittie</u> |
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WARNINGS TO ^ HEDING ANY OF THE WARNINGS.

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I THEN RAISED MY WEAPON AND CONTINUED GIVING VERBAL AND VISUAL SIGNALS.  
THE VEHICLE WAS APPROX OUT AND STILL MOVING. AS THE VEHICLE WAS ABOUT  
OUT AND STILL NOT HEADING, OUR COMMANDS I FIRED ONE SHOT INTO THE ENGINE  
BLOCK AND THE VEHICLE STOPPED APPROX AWAY. AT THIS TIME I COULD SEE ONE MALE ADLT  
APPROX 50 YRS OF AGE EXIT THE VEHICLE AND FOLD HIS HANDS. HE DID NOT APPEAR INJURED AND

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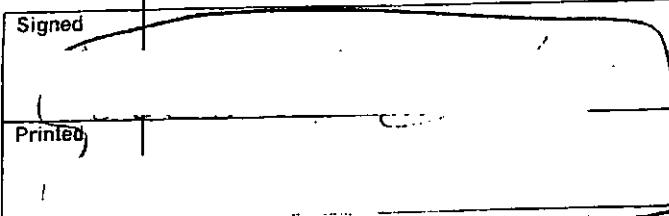
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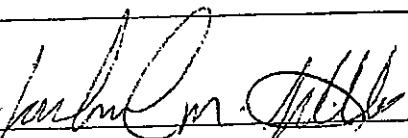
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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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these warning signs, the vehicle sped up. I muzzled the vehicle and it continued speeding up. I fired two rounds into the SN-WV of the vehicle and it stopped.

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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## **Task Order: 007**

**Person Releasing Report:** Thomas Woodyard

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 28 May 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 1549 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 28 May 07, at approximately 1549 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. One launch and one impact were reported by the Fixed Site Guard Force. The impact was reported in Zone   . In addition, a RPG was fired at, <sup>resulting in</sup> one T1 and one T3 casualty. The Point of Origin (POO) was reported to be in the vicinity of                         .

100% accountability was complete at 1617.

Clearance operations of Zone    began at 1620 and were completed at

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** The T3 casualty received superficial lacerations and abrasions to his right upper arm and chest. The T1 casualty received extensive injuries to his facial area, penetrating trauma to the upper left chest, and superficial lacerations to both arms.

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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Task Order: 007

Person Releasing Report: Thomas Woodyard

Title of Person Releasing Report: Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 29 May 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 0645 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 29 May 07, at approximately 0645 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. 12 launches and 12 impacts were reported by the Fixed Site Guard Force. Two impacts were reported in Zone   , six in Zone 3 <sup>one m Zone</sup>    <sup>anci</sup> three out of the compound. There were two casualties; one HCN T3 and one Expat KBR T2. The Point of Origin was reported to be       . 5 81mm mortars were used in this incident.

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Clearance operations of Zone    and Zone f^ began at 0635 and were completed at [ V

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** The HCN received a superficial wound to his arm. The Expat received a tension pneumothorax and shrapnel injury to his arm.

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** None

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## ENGAGEMENT REPORT

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Date of Incident: fifesday 27 May 2007  
Time of incident: 1050hrs W=>  
Name of TCN guard Involved: \_\_\_\_\_ b7c  
Detail Location of Incident/Post: \_\_\_\_\_  
**Weapon Used:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Estimated number of stools fr-ed: ②  
**Direction/Distance:** 14# Degrees \_\_\_\_\_ meters  
Target zone/area N/A  
**Pri<kr Course of Action:** Verbal warnings and hand signals.

**Incident Synopsis:** I observed a boat with two suspicious individuals\* getting closer to the entrance of the camp near the shooting range. I fired two warning shots at the boat. The boat immediately veered off towards 330 degrees.

**Injuries if applicable:** N/A  
**Personnel involved in incident:** Cptnroj  
**Additional Reports Generated:** N/A, Same as incident synopsis

## **RELATÓRIO DE INCIDENTE**

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**Fecha del Reporte:**

Localización: Basra  \*lrafT

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Día del incidente: *MAR T6S*

Hora del Incidente: 10:00 «Ta. J<sup>ri</sup> »

**Nombre del Guardia:**

#### **Localización del Incidente (Tango., Lima u otros)**

**Tipo de Armamento usado:** /

Cantidad de disparos efectuados: 0 2

Dirección y distancia: 1 L / 0 a t h T ?, ADPO ex.

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## Reporte sobre heridos:

A quien reporto el incidente: I?3 ^ T I t a

## **Reporte General Adicional:**

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## Datos del Guardia\

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## ENGAGEMENT REPORT

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Bate of Report: 29 May 2007  
Location: Basrah REO, Iraq  
Original Report Translated by; "Mac"

Bate of Incident; 29 May 2007  
Time-ofIncMeiit: 0822hrs U  
Nameof TCN guard involved: \_\_\_\_\_ J b7c  
Detail Location of fnmifeot/iPost:  
Weapon Used:  
Estimated number lired: 20  
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Target zone/area Estimated launch point

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**Incident Synopsis:** During the above hour indicated there were four-estimated IDF launches into the base, I verified the launch point and witnessed 4 individuals at the launch point with suspicious material in their possession.

**Injuries if applicable:** I could not verify  
**Personnel Kötifled of Incicierit:** Control  
**Additional Reports Generated:** N/A

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Fecha del Reporte:

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Localización: Basra REO, Iraq

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Día del incidente: W ^ W o ^ ^ O O I -

Hora del Incidente: 00:00

Nombre del Guardia:

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Localización del Incidente (Tango, Lima u otros)

Tipo de Armamento usado:

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Cantidad de disparos efectuados: 20

Dirección y distancia: 30 C? " - 1 - 1

Hora hacia donde efectuó los disparos: fe» Izquierdo

Procedimientos antes del disparo (altos, bengalas)

Incidentes.: (Narrar en breve lo sucedido)

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el lugar de los heridos, con efectos no identificados en los monos

Reporte sobre heridos: b'sj&aiá!\* ^L

A quien reportó el incidente:

Reporte General Adicional:

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Datos del Guardia:

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Date of Report: 03 June 2007

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Location: IVO

Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RTOC Commander

Date of Incident: 03 June 2007

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Time of Incident: 1005 hours

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident:

Personnel Involved: BW Team j(TST)

Incident Synopsis: On 3 June 2007 at 1005 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ a Tactical Support Team (TST) comprised of I vehicles was providing area tactical support to COM PSD teams. As \_\_\_\_\_ neared the intersection \_\_\_\_\_ a white van approached the motorcade at a high rate of speed and maneuvered in between the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ J vehicles of the motorcade. The driver of the van failed to obey several commands to stop and in an escalation of force the turret gunner from the second TST vehicle fired six (6) \_\_\_\_\_ rounds from his "" in to the engine compartment, located in the rear of the vehicle, in an attempt to disable the van. The van continued traveling in between the \_\_\_\_\_ J and \_\_\_\_\_ TST vehicles and the driver continued to disobey commands to stop. In an escalation of force the turret gunner of the lead vehicle fired two (2) \_\_\_\_\_ rounds from his "" into the windshield of the van causing it to immediately come to a stop. \_\_\_\_\_ reported that there were no apparent injuries to the occupants of the van. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. \_\_\_\_\_ continued to its staging location without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: N/A

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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RS-2007-00285: 20070603 EOF by [REDACTED]

REGIONAL SECURITY

BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00083

Impact: LOW

Status: CLOSED

**Required Case Info**

Case Title: 20070603 EOF by [REDACTED]

Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

**Categories:**

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-02784

**Synopsis**

On 03 June 2007 a Chief of Mission Personal Protective Detail engaged a hostile vehicle with gunfire, resulting in unknown injuries to the suspect vehicle and no injuries to COM personnel.

**Primary Subjects****Case Reports**

| Date       | Snippet                        |
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| 06/03/2007 | On Sunday June 3rd, 2007, I... |

**Optional Case Info**

Impact: LOW

Principal Judicial District:

Due Date: 06/09/2007

Countries Impacted:

Violations:

Nexus:

TECS Lookout: No

**Attachments**

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**Related Cases****Outstanding Warrants****Case Origin/Source**

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

**Status History**

06/09/2007 OPEN

Name: Hammond

08/22/2007 CLOSED

Phone:

09/02/2007 OPEN

Source Comments:

09/02/2007 OPEN

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**Personnel Assignment**

Carpenter, Theodore ASAC BAGHDAD

Hammond, Kory H ARSO BAGHDAD

Motley, David DUTY AGENT BAGHDAD

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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| DS Case Number | Case Title             | CASE* FMAL                |
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| Case Type      | Program                | Dates Investigated        |
| ADMINISTRATE   | REGIONAL SECURITY      | 03-JUN-07 - 03-JLTN-07    |
| Case Impact    | Case Status            | Open/Close Case Dates     |
| LOW            | CLOSED                 | 02-Sep-2007 - 02-Sep-2007 |

On Sunday June 3rd, 2007, I was advised by personnel in the RSO TOC that one of the Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Details (PSD) had fired Grounds at a vehicle during an escalation of force incident.

When the team finished ^s duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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[redacted] lanci [redacted] who were in the [redacted] i Gunner positions and the only ones to fire their weapons, told me the following: While support PSD Team [redacted] (they were enroute to a staging the motorcade was suddenly approached by an aggressive vehicle. After passing a circular intersection, all other vehicles had stopped and were yielding to the motorcade by pulling to the right side of the road. The motorcade was using light, sirens, and air horns, plus visual and audible signals to yield.

While driving down a 4-lane divided highway, a grey minivan with 100% tinted windows (including the windshield) suddenly pulled from the right side of the road and in between the [redacted] (andj [redacted] vehicles in the motorcade.

[redacted] fired 6 rounds from his [redacted] into the engine block of the vehicle (on this type of vehicle the engine is in the rear similar to a Volkswagen design). The van then yielded by pulling to the right side of the road as white smoke began to come from the engine compartment.

After the second motorcade vehicle passed, the van suddenly pulled back into the motorcade. This time [redacted] engaged the van by firing two rounds into the driver's side windshield. Delano was unable to determine who or how many occupants the vehicle contained as the windshield was too dark to see through. The suspect vehicle immediately pulled to the right side of the road and struck a curb. An individual was seen getting out of the passenger's side door and examining the vehicle.

The motorcade was able to continue on without further incident.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This use offeree incident is within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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| Reporting Official:<br>Hammond, Kory H<br>ARSO              | [redacted]      | Distribution:<br>Jun 17 2007 |
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Sent: Monday, June 04, 2007 2:21 PM

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To: Hammond, Kory M (Baghdad)

**Subject:** AAR 20070603

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On 3 June 2007 I was part of a Chief of Mission (COM) Tactical Support Team (TST) [ ] vehicle motorcade m support of a Personal Security Detail (PSD) motorcade. The TST motorcade was arranged in the following order: [ ] [ ] [ ] [ ] All vehicles had turret gunners and

maintained a separation of approximately' [ ] Y depending on speed of movement and traffic congestion). I was riding in the right rear position of the command vehicle. The TST motorcade was traveling eastbound on a four lane roadway, divided in the middle by a raised median. At about 1000 hours, we passed through an intersection when I heard several shots in rapid succession, followed shortly thereafter by a separate pair of shots. At the time I did not know where the shots were coming from, or who had fired. A few seconds after the shots, observed a dirty white van veering to the right and rolling to a stop at the right side of the road, just ahead of my vehicle. A large amount of clear liquid was draining from under the rear of the van. As my vehicle passed it, I saw a mihtaiy-aged Middle-Eastern male exit the right front door and examine the front of the van. I could not see clearly through the windows of the van, as they seemed to be tinted and dirty. The male that exited the vehicle did not appear injured, and I was unable to determine if there were any other occupants in the vehicle, or even if the steering wheel was on the left or right side. There were several Iraqi Police officers standing on the sidewalk about 20 meters to the rear of the van, and they were not taking any action besides looking in the van's direction. The truck commander of the ERV in then announced over the radio that his turret-gunners shot the van because it had attempted to enter into the motorcade despite being warned off. We continued on to our destination without further incident.

Upon arrival at our destination, after securing the area, the ERV personnel explained to me that as per normal motorcade procedure, all traffic was waved off to the right so the motorcade could pass on the left. One of the turret gunners of the lead had already thrown a water bottle at the van as a warning to stay to the right. As the lead passed the van in question, the ERV front turret gunner observed the van swerve left into the gap between the lead and ERV. He did not feel there was time to deploy a pen flare, as the van had already entered into the motorcade, so he fired six well-aimed shots into the van's engine compartment, which he had determined was in the rear of the van. The van then veered to the right. As the ERV passed it, the ERV rear turret gunner observed the van again veer left into the motorcade. As he knew his front turret gunner had already fired on the van, he made the decision to fire in the windshield. As he fired a controlled pair, he observed the van immediately swerve to the right and stop as the command vehicle drew abreast of it.

Based upon their statements to me and my observation of the white van, it is my opinion that the turret gunners acted in compliance with DS policy.

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| Date<br>03 June 2007                | Time<br>Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I,                                  <sup>b7c</sup> hereby make the following statement at the request of  
Xo/KY        who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## **General Military/Civilian Experience**

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[The training standards were similar to those used to train "Special Agents of the U.S. Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. Additionally, I received training in threat recognition, target identification/shooting from a moving platform, operating as a member of a protective detail, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and motorcade operations.

I have served as a Tactical Support Team (TST) Turret Gunner for the I a s C years while working with Blackwater. I have worked in Mosul, Iraq and most recently in Baghdad, Iraq. I am currently assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ (TST in support of the US Department of State Mission in Iraq.

**Incident**

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On 03 June 2007, at approximately 0830 hours prior to departing the International Zone (IZ), our team U \_\_\_\_\_ I conducted a pre-mission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of all teams that we would be supporting during the day, and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the current threat to our primary Area of Operation (AO). In this brief we were informed of an increased Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threat using^ \_\_\_\_\_ targets.

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At approximately 1000 hours, we departed the International Zone (IZ) in direct support of \_\_\_\_\_ b7E, F  
The vehicle configuration for the day was) \_\_\_\_\_  
Puma All \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles in the motorcade Rave the words "Warning, stay back 100 meters" stenciled in red on the back of the vehicle in both English and Arabic. We were traveling northeast approximately 100 meters past ..

We were passing vehicles on the left side of the two lane road forcing vehicles to the right. Our lead vehicle directed a van, grayish in color with dark tinted windows to the right side of the road using verbal and visual signals. Other warning devices we were using included sirens, horns, whistle, and hand and arm signals. The suspect van exited our lane of travel and drove to the right side of the road. Once our lead vehicle had overtaken the van, the suspect driver then merged back into our path in an aggressive manner. I began utilizing verbal and visual signals to warn the driver of the van to get out of our motorcade. The sirens and horns from our vehicle were continuing to have no effect on the suspect vehicle. The suspect driver ignored all of the above mentioned warnings. The van was now in our lane of travel and was accelerating towards our lead vehicle. Both turret gunners in the lead vehicle had already refocused their attention to the direction of travel and off of the van. It was obvious to me that suspect vehicle was very likely a VBIED. Fearing for my life and the lives of my teammates, I engaged the suspect vehicle with my State Department issued! rifle with 6 rounds into the rear of the vehicle where the engine compartment was located. The suspect vehicle began to smoke and leak fluids. The suspect vehicle started to exit our lane of travel but did not slow down. Our vehicle cut to the left and over took the smoking vehicle. Once the vehicle was out of my sight, I continued scanning my normal sectors. Additionally, as the van passed out of my sector, the Rear turret PSS picked up observations on the suspect vehicle. I heard the rear turret PSS yelling at the van to stop. Once ^ we passed the van, I heard the rear turret PSS on my vehicle fire two rounds. b7C

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I was unable to determine the status of the driver or any possible occupants of the suspect vehicle due to dark tinting on all of the vehicles windows. I informed my Vehicle Commander of my shoot to disable, and he in turn notified our Shift Leader 1 via internal communications. Our Shift Leader then advised the RSO TOC of the incident and provided the makeand model of the suspect vehicle. No personnel were injured nor were anyf vehicles damaged. We continued to our staging area without further incident.//END// b6 b7C

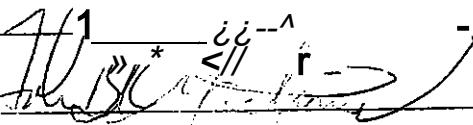
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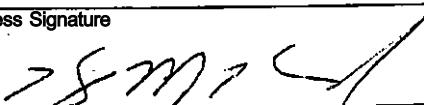
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

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| Date<br>3 June 2007                     | Time<br>Approx. 1600 hours |
| Location<br><br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                            |

I, [redacted] <sup>b7C</sup> hereby make the following statement at the request of

Karen L. Manning, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

#### General Military/Civilian Experience

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## Incident

On 3 June, 2007 at approximately 0830 hours, our team conducted a detailed pre-mission brief at the "staging area. An intelligence report was given by the imbedded Intelligence Analyst for /Detail. This intelligence report included reports of a recent increase in Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threats in the surrounding areas as well as specific intelligence

[A detailed list of the teams we would be directly supporting, the venue if eywOT and any direct threats to their routes and venues was also briefed. The mission firearm policy and escalation of force per the Department of State Mission Firearms Policy, was briefed by our Shift Leader F.

At approximately 1000 hours we exited Checkpoint in route to our staging area at the Baghdad South Power Plant. In support of We were traveling northeast from E^ (through! J

1 on the road formally known as Route 1, The motorcade was utilizing all emergency lights as well as emergency sirens while approaching and traveling through intersections. Our vehicle configuration included t

We traveled in this order with vehicles clearly marked on the back with red stenciling the words, "Warning, Stay back 100 meters" in both English and Arabic. Route ~^~ at this stretch of the road going through lis four lanes wide with a raised concrete and dirt median separating northeast bound traffic from southwest bound traffic.

I was assigned to the Emergency Response Vehicle (ERV) as the rear turret PSS. The ERV was the vehicle in our motorcade. While traveling on Route our vehicle turret PSS signaled all Local National (LN) vehicles to pull to the right using verbal and hand signals as well as emergency lights and sirens. Our motorcade was approximately 100 meters passed!

traveling northeast in some congestion when I heard the lead turret PSS on my vehicle begin shouting commands to a vehicle in front of us. In conjunction with his actions, the driver and vehicle commander of the ERV continued utilizing all emergency lights and activated the emergency siren in an attempt to get the vehicle to pull over to the right side of the road much like all other LN vehicles had done. I then heard our lead turret PSS discharge his weapon. He fired approximately 6 rounds. After PSS fired, I turned to my left and I was able to see the suspect vehicle that had engaged. The suspect vehicle was an older model white/grey van with all of its windows tinted moving back to the right of the motorcade. There was also smoke coming from the rear engine compartment. I could see PSS still focusing his attention on the van's movements as the ERV swerved to the left in order to pass it. At that point, the van came into my sector of fire and once again swerved aggressively into our motorcade toward the rear of the ERV. All of the aforementioned factors as well as my training and experience led me to believe that the van was a VBIED. In fear for my life and the lives of my teammates, I discharged my State Department issuedF rifle, firing 2 shots into the windshield of the vehicle in the area where I believe the driver to be sitting to stop the threat. The vehicle

immediately turned sharply right, yig to jroiji, yig to c^e 313d cprge to ag£|Dii£rt stop at the curb on the right side of the road. I continued to scan my sector as well as keeping sight of the van while we drove through the area. I am unaware of the driver's status of the suspect vehicle. I informed my Vehicle Commander of the incident and the Shift Leader then informed the RSO TOC. We continued on to our staging area without further incident. No? ~ personnel were injured nor were any vehicles damaged.//END// b7c, f

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

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| Blackwater USA    | After Action Report (AAR) | mainQ                         | Date/Time of Statement<br>June 3, 2007/1500 fors. |
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### Incident Report BW 06-03-07 (1) Weapons Discharge Baghdad

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, \_\_\_\_\_ activities during a shooting incident that occurred at the intersection commonly referred to as I \_\_\_\_\_ on 3 June 2007 at approximately 1015 hours." personnel reporting on this incident include the following:

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On 3 June 2007 at approximately Q830 hours/\_\_\_\_\_| conducted a pre-mission briefing. The mission brief included rules of engagement per tje mission firearms policy, escalation of force, team movements, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence from the embedded Intelligence Analyst, to include reports of a recent increase in Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Dgyice (VBIED) threatsjn the surrounding area as well as specific intelligence/

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At approximately 1000 hours, "departed the International Zone (IZ) en route to their staging area at the Baghdad South Power Plant if \_\_\_\_\_ in order to provide coverage for \_\_\_\_\_. The vehicle configuration for the day was{\_\_\_\_\_ r,....:

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traveling in th at order. The' \_\_\_\_\_ Tactical Support Team (TST) vehicles in the motorcade were clearly marked with bold red lettering in Both English and Arabic, warning all vehicles to stay back 100 meters. \_\_\_\_\_ raveled northeast on the road commonly referred to as \_\_\_\_\_ from \_\_\_\_\_ "JthroughT \_\_\_\_\_. Route \_\_\_\_\_ is a four lane road, two lanes in either direction, separated bya nrisedconcrete and dirt median traveling in a northeast, southwest direction. \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade was utilizing all emergency lights and sirens while traveling into and through the intersection.

As| \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade traveled northeast through \_\_\_\_\_ lit encountered some heavy traffic,which was being signaled by \_\_\_\_\_ |turret gunners to move to the right. All vehicular traffic in the path of \_\_\_\_\_ complied with the signals given. Approximately 100 meters north of \_\_\_\_\_ \*lead vehicle signaled, using verbal and hand signals, to an older model grey/white vanjhathad all of its windows tinted (hereinafter referred to as the van), to move to the right side of the road. Jwas traveling in the left lane The van moved to the right lane but not all the way to the curb as the other vehicles had. Shortly after

lead vehicle passed the van, with the ERV following a distance behind, the van veered left into the ERV's lane of travel. The ERV's Tacical Commander observed the aggressive maneuver and signaled the suspect driver using his emergency sirens. PSS<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ J again signaled the van using verbal and hand signals to move to the right. The van conti nued to ignore all signals and \_\_\_\_\_ feared that the van was a VBIED. \_\_\_\_\_ fearing for his life, the lives of his teammates, and the civilians in the immediate vicinity, fired approximately six rounds from his Department of State issuedl \_\_\_\_\_ rifle, into the rear engine compartment of the van in order to disable it. Almost simultaneously, the ERV swerved all the way to the left side of the lane against the curb to go around the van to the left. The van moved slightly back to the right however, as the ERV began to pass it, the van again started to veer to the left into the motorcadé at, the rear of the ERV. Fearing the vanwas a VBIED, and for the lives of himself, his teammates, and the civilians in the immediate vicinity, PSS \_\_\_\_\_ /ired approximately 2 rounds into the front windshield in the vicinity

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## After Action Report (AAR)

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of where the driver would be sitting to stop the threat. The van then swerved to the right and stopped at the right curb.

As the Command vehicle (thJ \_\_\_\_\_ Vehicle in \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade) passed by the suspect vehicle, it was noted by the Shift Leader that the windows were completely tinted making it impossible to make a visible identification of what may be in the interior of the vehicle. It was also noted that there was one male occupant that exited the vehicle's right side door that appeared to be uninjured. A s.E. \_\_\_\_\_ drove through the area, the Shift Leader f \_\_\_\_\_ notified the RSO TOC of the incident and moved to their planned staging area without further incident. No members of \_\_\_\_\_ were injured nor were any) \_\_\_\_\_/Vehicles damaged.///END///

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16c.<ly/fays^L.sg, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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On June 3, 2007 at approximately 0830 hours, we conducted a pre-mission brief at the \_\_\_\_\_ staging area. The brief started with an intelligence report from the embedded Intelligence Analyst for \_\_\_\_\_ Detail. The brief further included a detailed list of the teams our team would be directly supporting, the venues they would be visiting, and any direct threats to their routes and venues. The mission firearm policy and escalation of force, per Department of State Mission Firearm Policy, was also covered by our Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_.

At approximately 1000 hours, our motorcade departed the International Zone en route to the staging area \_\_\_\_\_ J to provide coverage for \_\_\_\_\_, The vehicle configuration for the day was \_\_\_\_\_ -J Our<sup>^</sup> Tactical Support Team (TST) vehicles in the motorcade have the words "Warning," stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the back of the vehicles in both English and Arabic. We were traveling north east from! \_\_\_\_\_ through' \_\_\_\_\_ //utilizing lights and sirens while approaching and through out the intersection.

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I was assigned as a Fire Team member and was seated inside the second vehicle on the left hand side. We were approximately 100 meters to the east of \_\_\_\_\_ when I heard the lead turret PSS on our vehicle yelling "Kiff" meaning to stop in Arabic at a suspect vehicle in front of us. Our Vehicle Commander also began using the vehicle's sirens and air horns. I then noticed there was a white/grey van between our vehicle and the lead vehicle in our motorcade. I noticed the suspect vehicle was not responding to the Lead turrets verbal commands. A few seconds later, I heard the Lead turret PSS<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ J fire 6 times into the rear engine compartment of the suspect vehicle. The engine block is located in the rear of this particular kind of vehicle. I noticed black smoke coming from the suspect vehicles engine. Some fluids were also leaking from the van. Once the shots were fired, the suspect vehicle moved to the right and appeared to be obeying the commands. When we passed the van on its left side, it was apparent that it was making another attempt at merging into our motorcade. As the suspect vehicle turned his tires to the left and accelerated back towards our motorcade, the Rear turret PSS<sup>1</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ J on our vehicle fired two rounds into the windshield in order to stop the threat. I observed the vehicle immediately veer to the right but this time it came to a complete stop once it came in contact with the curb. I heard our Vehicle Commander inform the Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ of the shoot to stop the threat. I am unaware of any injuries incurred by the driver of the suspect vehicle. Our motorcade continued to our staging area without further incident. No \_\_\_\_\_ personnel were injured nor were any \_\_\_\_\_ ^vehicles damaged.//END//

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

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June 4, 2007

**Spot Report - 060407-??**

**Subject:** Escalation of Force-Erbil PSD team fires on aggressive vehicle.

**Reporting Office:** RSO TOC - Erbil

**Summary:** DynCorp PSD Team fires one-round at an approaching vehicle; no apparent injuries to occupant.

**Report:** On June 4, 2007 at approximately 1338, a DynCorp PSD Team was traveling in a\* vehicle motorcade when it encountered an aggressive motorist. The motorcade was traveling westbound along CMOC Highway from the Dohuk Governorate Building in route to the CMOC Fuel Station. The incident occurred on the Westside of Dohuk.

The gray-colored sedan was driven by a man who appeared to be 40 years old. While the motorcade was waiting to clear a traffic intersection, the subject sedan passed a large group of vehicles on the shoulder and approached the motorcade at a high rate of speed. The turret-gunner in the attempted to gain the driver's attention with hand signals and voice commands followed by flashes from a high-intensity spotlight.

The sedan's driver ignored the signals and accelerated toward the motorcade. Whqp^yajhicle wag.apprc>ximate^ Ji 00.meters from the motorcade, the tiirfst-gufneji firedon§jJuhd ifttq the^rilllof the sedan. It is also important to highlight that the hazard lights were operational on the

follow vehicle; moreover, in large lettering, ^there is a sign on the back of the vehicle in both English and Arabic that reads "Stay back 100 meters."

Once the sedan came to a halt, the driver exited the vehicle; no injuries were apparent. The shift leader immediately notified the Erbil TOC and the motorcade continued to the scheduled venue.

**RSO Action:** PSD members submitted statements and were debriefed.

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**From:** Patterson, Anne (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)

**Sent:** Tuesday, June 05, 2007 5:13 PM

**To:** Colon, Ricardo (Baghdad)(Baghdad)

**Cc:** San Nicolas, Antolin F (**BaghfIMCBaglidadff>aWiie,\*WaiHti** 5 (KfgKdad)(Baghdad); Zittle, Zachariah (IRAQ/ERBIL/R<sup>S</sup>r<sup>wel /«u^s(Kirkuk)(Kirkuk)<sup>d</sup>, Daniel V (Baghdad) (Baghdad); Scobey, Margaret M (Ba'ghdad)(Baghdad); Blaha, Charles O (Baghdad)(Baghdad); McDermott, James P(Baghdad)</sup>

**Subject:** update on Shooting incident in DOHUK

Dear All,

I have notified Minister Falah Bakir, Foreign Relations, of the shooting incident and the reaction of the Dohuk Governor. He will be discussing the situation with the KRG Prime Minister and the Governor. I've been unable to reach the Dohuk Governor's office by cell phone today, but I'll keep trying in hopes of defusing the diplomatic problem that has arisen from this incident. It is particularly awkward for us because members of the RRT were actually meeting with the Deputy Governor and Public Relations Officer of Dohuk when the shooting occurred and did not inform the government of the incident at the time it happened. They didn't inform them because they didn't know that anything had happened. So far, there has been no mention of the incident in the local press.

Sincerely,  
Anne Patterson

**From:** Colon, Ricardo (Baghdad)(Baghdad)  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 05, 2007 2:49 PM  
**To:** Patterson, Anne (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR)  
**Cc:** San Nicolas, Antolin F (Baghdad)(Baghdad); Davnie, William F (Baghdad)(Baghdad); Zittle, Zachariah (IRAQ/ERBIL/RSO); Rowe, James AJ (Kirkuk)(Kirkuk); Speckhard, Daniel V (Baghdad)(Baghdad); Scobey, Margaret M (Baghdad)(Baghdad); Blaha, Charles O (Baghdad)(Baghdad); McDermott, James P(Baghdad)  
**Subject:** RE: Shooting incident in DOHUK

Anne, we've looked at the incident closely, as we do every incident involving our PSDs, and determined that the incident was consistent with the CoM policy on escalation of force. The escalation of force procedures are in place to ensure that there is in place a systematic and disciplined approach to dealing approaching vehicles that are perceived to present a threat. In fact, this approach has resulted in a significant reduction in the number of shoot to disable incidents countrywide (evidence by the fact that this is only the second incident of this nature in that region). Zach is available to brief KRG officials on the results of our investigation and the determination that this was a justified action.

**Rick Colón**  
Deputy Regional Security Officer  
U.S. Embassy Baghðad  
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**From:** Patterson, Anne (IRAQ/ERBIL/DIR) [mailto:[apatterson@usaid.gov](mailto:apatterson@usaid.gov)]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 05, 2007 12:31 PM  
**To:** Speckhard, Daniel V (Baghdad); Scobey, Margaret M (Baghdad); Colon, Ricardo (Baghdad); Blaha, Charles O (Baghdad)  
**Cc:** San Nicolas, Antolin F (Baghdad); Davnie, William F (Baghdad); Zittle, Zachariah (IRAQ/ERBIL/RSO)(APO); Rowe, James AJ (Kirkuk); McDermott, Brian R  
**Subject:** Shooting incident in DOHUK  
**Importance:** High

As you can see below, there was a shooting incident yesterday afternoon in which our PSDs fired a round at a rapidly advancing vehicle. There has been previous similar incidents and the KRG has advised us that "this is not acceptable". Perhaps because this is the second shooting incident in the last six months in Dohuk, the Dohuk

Provincial Government has reacted very strongly - see immediately below.

I will attempt to contact the Governor this afternoon to express our regret that this has happened. I don't know whether any of this will have an effect® changing the Governor's liaison contact with the USG. I will also call Minister Falah Bakir, KRG Feraijî Refetîn, to discuss this situation. I may need to call on the Embassy for assistance at some point. The USO's report of the incident is pasted below the e-mail we have received from the Dohuk Governor's Public Relations Officer, Hameed Salih.

Sincerely,  
Anne Patterson

**From:** hameed salih [mailto:/]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, June 05, 2007 11:24 AM  
**To:** Mergy, Jennifer (IRAQ/ERBIL/DOS)  
**Subject:** your last visit

**dear Jennifer,**

i have just received a message from the KDP 1st branch, duhok. it talks about your convoy yesterday, it seems that one of your vehicles opened fire and shot a civilian vehicle just in front off the KDP office in the heart of duhok city, this incident, which is not the first by US embassy vehicles, annoyed every one in this city, the governor tamar ramadan who has just arrived was very upset, too.

so, we regret to tel you that the office of the governor, local departments and all official institutions will suspend all kind of contact and cooperation with all US agencies in duhok at the time being, as you may know dear that kurdistan and duhok in particular have a zero US casualty profile, all the people of duhok are ready to sacrifice their lives to keep yours, kurdistan region and the kurds are your friends, not like other parts of iraq. but it seems that we failed to build bridges of trust between our people and yours.

it is very sad to tell you this but we can not understand such an action from a (friend).  
for your information and regards.

hameed salih  
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Anne - the is the exact report, verbatim, submitted last night.

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Once the sedan came to a halt, the driver exited the vehicle; no injuries were apparent. The shift leader immediately notified the Erbil TOC and the motorcade continued to the scheduled venue.

**RSO Action:** PSD members submitted statements and were debriefed.

Zach M. Zittle  
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INCIDENT DATE/TIME: June 4, 2007 1338

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TOTAL # PERSONNEL:

KIA: NA

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INCIDENT DESCRIPTION: Shot Round into the grille of a gray BMW

REPORTED BY: I fr

METHOD: radio

POINT OF CONTACT: Jesse-Alvarado Deputy Project Manager

TEL#:

**VICTIM INFORMATION**

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**NARRATIVE**

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On June 4, 2007 1338 the advance team for [REDACTED] was traveling al grid [REDACTED] in the city of Dohuk. As they approached a red light the motorade stop and byd back traffic. Everyone obeyed at stay 200 meters away from the motorcade. A gray BMW decide to go around the vehicles and proceed toward the motorade at a high rate of speed. The turret gunner [REDACTED] I observed the vehicle approaching and gave the BMW visual signs to stop. The BMW ignored the visual signs and continued toward the motorade and again he yelled to stop and gave visual signs. The BMW still continue to proceed toward the motorcade and he felt that the BMW was now a threat to the motorcade and shot 1 will aimed round into the grill of the car. The BMW came to a stop and I noticed that all of the radiator fluid was spilling out. There where no injuries to the driver of the BMW and no one else.

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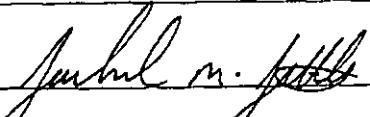
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VEHICLE. I — charged him to shoot.  
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HE OPENED APPROACTING THE MOTORCADE.

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Standoff. At this time, all traffic was compliant

STWP. Suddenly, a gray ~~BAAW~~ AIAW rapidly and at a high rate of speed passed stopped traffic on the right side through a heavily pedestrian traveled shoulder. At that time I used

Stop, with the No^<sup>o</sup> compliance OWA-<sup>11</sup> disengaged my safety and  
Squeezed the slack out of the trigger, at which I <sup>Ars</sup>  
heard and observed the <sup>left front</sup> grill of the vehicle engaged  
and the vehicle -SVffcA <sup>1</sup>-iL 1<sup>1</sup>-WVUJ -sp<sup>1</sup>od clear fluid

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From the bottom front of the vehicle. Note  
as I gave commands according to the ROE's,  
I additionally observed [redacted] except the  
same commands. Furthermore it released my  
trigger and regarded my safety after observing  
IW threat had ceased and our motorcade  
had proceeded to move.

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 4<sup>th</sup> day of

June 2007

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| Signed                                                                        |                     |
| Printed                                                                       | Zachariah M. Zittle |
| SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE |                     |

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

| DS Case Number | Case Title                               | RO Type    | Report Date |
|----------------|------------------------------------------|------------|-------------|
| RS-2007-00087  | SAF Incident at BIAP Commercial Terminal | CASE FINAL | 06-JUN-07   |
| Case Type      | Dates Investigated                       |            |             |
| CRIMINAL       | 04-JUN-07 - 06-JUN-07                    |            |             |
| Case Impact    | Open/Close Case Dates                    |            |             |
| MEDIUM         | 06-Jun-2007 - 06-Jun-2007                |            |             |

On June 5, 2007, Reporting Agent (RA) Ricardo Gibert, interviewed \_\_\_\_\_, ^Jor BIAP Security, employed by Global Security Group regarding the shooting incident at the BIAP commercial terminal \_\_\_\_\_, 3<sup>rd</sup> ^ded the following information regarding the shooting:

On June 4, 2007, at approximately 1000am, a KBR BIAP Security Coordinator (NFI) and \_\_\_\_\_, Security Officer for Global Security, were at the commercial side of BIAP, inspecting terminal ?B,? an unused/closed passenger terminal. While passing from terminal ?C,? the currently used public terminal, to terminal B, the two men were engaged by small arms fire (SAF). According to \_\_\_\_\_ upon entering terminal B and passing through a doorway, an unidentified assailant fired three rounds. The SAF came from the rear of their location, fired through the doorway. The one round struck the KBR Security Coordinator in the upper right arm. Upon being shot in the arm the KBR Security Coordinator fell to the ground, immediately returned fire. In what was described as a suppressive fire action, \_\_\_\_\_ fired two rounds to the left of the doorway, striking the wall, and then fired three rounds in the open doorway, while moving to cover. \_\_\_\_\_ then radioed for assistance. Within ten minutes, Global Security personnel arrived at the scene and secured the perimeter. The injured KBR Security Coordinator was treated and transported to a military medical clinic at BIAP. Neither \_\_\_\_\_ nor the KBR Security Coordinator saw their assailant. They did not report seeing an suspicious individual(s) while transiting through the public terminal. One 32 caliber round was extracted from a wall at the scene, which has been identified as one of the rounds fired by the assailant. Iraqi Police are currently investigating this matter.

No further information at this time. The incident occurred on sovereign Iraqi territory, jurisdiction falls within Iraqi authorities for proper investigation and prosecution. Equivalent federal statutes listed in synopsis. Incident disseminated to interested/relevant embassy sections and agencies. No further action taken/required by RSO Baghdad.

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Reporting Official:

Gibert, Ricardo

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Jun-06-07 00:00

Approving Official(s):

Gibert, Ricardo- APPROVED

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

June 05, 2007

## SPOT REPORT - 060507-05

**SUBJECT:** Escalation of Force, Basrah Palace

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On June 5, 2007 at approximately 2120 hours, a REO TCN guard standing watch on the REO perimeter observed two Iraqi males moving furtively in a palm grove east of the Basrah Palace compound, approximately fifty meters from his position. The guard illuminated the males with a hand-held spotlight, and determined that one of the males was carrying a rocket-propelled grenade (RPG) launcher.

**RSO ACTION:** The guard fired approximately twenty rounds at the male carrying the launcher. Both males disappeared from view. TCN guards then illuminated the area with pop-up flares, but were unable to again locate the males, or to determine the effectiveness of their fire. An American guard force Supervisor responded to assist the TCN guards. The RSO provided the British military with the grid coordinates of the engagement. The perimeter guards are on a heightened state of alert because of the recent increase in RPG attacks. All personnel are required to wear PPE while outdoors.

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**MODERN REPORT***This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

Date of Report: 5. 51. V5 fatJift07-1 \* I I" " \* \* \* ^ O Z f O  
 Location: Basra REO, Iraq  
 Task Order:  
 Person Releasing Report:  
 Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Force Commander

**Date of Incident** 5 June 2007**Time of Incident** 2120 hrs.**Contractor involved:** ^ \_\_\_\_\_ fTriple Canopy, Inc. b6  
b7C**Detail Location of incident:** ^ I b7A**incident Synopsis:**

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team With 28 rounds -of8AF fr&amp;m isis! He ^ E

**Outline**

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Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Risks Actions or Precluded Occurrence: None

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSCS ARSQ, TC PM

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: Eddie40iiiss GFC

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INCIDENT REPORT  
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Date of Report:

6 June 2007

Location:

Basrah REO, Iraq

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Original Report Translated by:

5 June 2007

Date of Incident:

2120hrs

Time of Incident:

Name of TCN guard Involved:

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Detail Location of Incident/Post:

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Weapon Used:

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Estimated number of shots fired:

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Direction/Distance:

290 Degrees 70 Meters

Target zone/area

Toward the tree line near

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Spotlights

Prior Course of Action:

Incident Synopsis: Direction of 300 degrees the guard utilized his spotlight to illuminate two suspicious individuals with an RPG pointing towards the compound. I immediately fired with J as they ran off into the buildings

Injuries if applicable:

N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident:

Control

Additional Reports Generated:

See additional incident report

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

June 06, 2007

## SPOT REPORT- 060607-01

**SUBJECT:** Indirect Fire Attack against Basrah Palace

**REPORTING OFFICE:** RSO Basrah, Iraq

**SUMMARY:** On 06/06/07, at approximately 0027 hours, seven rounds of indirect fire (IDF) were launched against the Basrah Palace compound. All seven rounds landed in the Shatt al Arab River. There were no casualties or damage.

At approximately 0051 hours, twelve mortar rounds were launched against the Palace compound. One round impacted just inside the REO front gate and damaged an unarmored SUV. Eleven rounds impacted outside of the compound, approximately 300 meters to the west of the REO front gate. There were no casualties. REO TCN guards observed the launch point, and engaged the target with approximately thirty rounds of \_\_\_\_\_ controlled automatic fire. The mortar team ceased firing and displaced; the effects of the return fire could not be assessed.

**RSO ACTION:** I \_\_\_\_\_ = J. b7E, F

"Duck and cover" was announced; all personnel donned Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and were restricted to hardcover bunkers/buildings. All personnel were accounted for. PSD and K-9 teams conducted a search of the REO for UXO. Basrah TOC gave the "all clear" announcement at \_\_\_\_\_ hours. REO Basrah is on a continued state of alert. The RSQ continues to coordinate with coalition forces regarding the Hafly attacks. All personnel are required to wear PPE while outdoors.

**LOCATION:** Regional Embassy Office (REO), Basrah, Iraq

DRAFTED BY: Dan Wfilheftf, A\*R&>BaSrah

APPROVED BY: Bryan Bachmann, RSO Basrah

CLEARED BY: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: ^ ^ ^ June \* ^

Location: Basrah REQ, Iraq

### Task Order:

Person Releasing Report: Eddie Jones

Title of Person Releasing Report: Guard Force Commander

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Code of Incident: I K n e 2B®7

Time of Incident: |||C-irs.

Contractor Involved: triple Canopy, Inc.

Detail Location of MMmfc Regional Embassy Office Compound

### Incident Synopsis:

At approximately 0100-hours the Regional Embassy Office Compound (REO) came under Indirect Fire Attack by 6m unknown persons. The TCN Peruvians

Guard { ~ } manning the Arch position observed the flashes from the b6 b7c

launch and the launch team at jometers. He engaged the team with

approximately 35 rounds from his TZIZ [I7^h] team dispersed and it was unclear if any of the attackers were injured or killed, E, F

0ttilia'e injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Me-occurrence:

None

Individual Notified of Incident: RSO, ARSG, TC PM

Supervisor synopsis of

None

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**Date of Report:**

06 June 2007

**Location:**

Basrah REO, Iraq

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**Original Report Translated by:**

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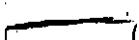
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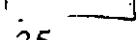
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**Name of TCN guard Involved:**

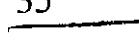


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**Detail Location of Incident/Post:**



**Weapon Used:**

  
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**Estimated number of shots fired:**



**Direction/Distance:**

  
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**Prior Course of Action:**

**Incident Synopsis:** ADDroximately 0100hrs we came under APPTM tQ be R P G fire RPG fire from the above direction. I observed a flash along with movement from the roof top and impacts from a - << - ● fired at the individuals I believed to be firing RPG s.

**Injuries if applicable:**

N/A

**Personnel Notified of Incident:**

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**Additional Reports Generated:**

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## Probable Insurgent Observation Post

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June 6th, 2007

Prepared by: FSS

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Situation:

Recent activity leads Fixed Site Supervisors to believe that Anti-Coalition Forces are using a building located close to [REDACTED] to conduct surveillance, adjust IDF, and possibly stage attacks against RED Basra.

### Details:

JThe building in question [redacted] is an unfinished, brick, two-story dwelling located in front of [redacted] just north of the soccer field. The building has been unoccupied for at least the last six months, and most probably has never been occupied, as it is still unfinished and appears abandoned. Recent activity at the brick building includes:

1. On May 17 at approximately 1500 hours Peruvian guards observed suspicious pedestrian and vehicular traffic outside of the brick building. A green car, occupied by two men, pulled up and parked facing to the South on the West side of the building. A man was also seen walking on foot around the building. At approximately 1550 hours REO Basra was attacked by IDF. At the same time an RPG was fired from the vicinity of the brick building, impacting Land-injuring 3 Peruvian guards, immediately after the IDF and RPG attack, FSS I [ ] and [ ] responded to [ ] and observed an Iraqi male on the roof of the brick building. The male was watching [ ] and the REO from the roof and then moving out of view, behind the stairway opening while talking on a cell phone. Per the RSO, FSS [ ] fired a warning shot into the building near the Iraqi male. The male quickly went inside the building and was not seen again for several days.
  2. On June 3rd, 2007 at approximately 1900 hours FSS [ ] observed via CCTV the same Iraqi male he saw on May 28th, standing on the roof watching the REO compound. FSS [ ] responded to [ ] and observed two Iraqi males walking around the brick building, possibly "casing" the surrounding buildings. FSS J believes the Iraqi male on the roof was acting as a lookout for the two walking around the building.
  3. On June 4th, 2007 at approximately 1800 hours FSS [ ] and [ ] observed via CCTV the same Iraqi male on the roof of the brick building. The male would watch the REO compound and periodically appear to work on a cable on the roof of the building.
  4. On June 5th, 2007 at approximately 1800 FSS [ ] was in [ ] when he saw the same Iraqi male on the roof of the brick building watching the REO compound. When [ ] approached the window for a better view he noticed a man standing across the street to the West. When [ ] became visible in the window off [ ] this man waved his arms and appeared to shout up to the man on the roof. The man on the roof immediately started to handle a cable, as if he were working on it. J believes the man on the street warned the man on the roof to his presence in the tower, and that the man on the roof was pretending to work on the cable to cover the fact that he was factin the REO compound. I [ ]

Conclusions:

The male's recent appearance at alrtlnfifistfed, imbccyjtfed Miljliijg tlcfce^tf R£Q Basra, where the danger from IDF is high, is suspicious. The man's activity on the roof-top is consistent with someone conducting surveillance or coordinating attacks on the REO, and is out of character for the neighborhood, where there is little to no activity on roofs during that time of day. The man's continued appearance on the roof for long periods of time after having had a warning shot fired at him is also suspicious. Furthermore, the man's appearance coincides with \_\_\_\_\_ Is actively occupying, and forcibly evicting, residents from buildings close to REO Basra. Based upon the totality of the circumstances FSS believe the brick building is being used as an observation post and a staging area to launch attacks against REO Basra by Anti-Coalition Forces and is a significant threat to the safety and security of mission personnel.

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**Recommendations:**

The Iraqi male occupying the brick building is in an excellent position to direct attacks against REO Basra and should be considered an imminent threat. Based on the totality of the circumstances, the Iraqi male poses a serious threat of death or serious bodily injury to mission personnel. Measures, including lethal force, should be utilized to eliminate this threat. At a minimum, all efforts should be made to apprehend the Iraqi male, and the brick building should be thoroughly searched for weapons and intelligence.

This information should be acted upon immediately f  
attack on REO Basra within the next couple of days. If British Forces or ORA are unable to perform the operation, I propose that \_\_\_\_\_ personnel be allowed to apprehend the Iraqi male and search the brick building.

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## INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting.*

Date of Report: 13 June Q?

Location: I \_\_\_\_\_;

Task Order!)

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

REF ID: A3141307030  
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Date of Incident: 13 Jun 07

Time of Incident: 1006

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: Between!\_\_\_\_\_j and Checkpoint \_

Personnel Involved: \_\_\_\_\_j

Incident Synopsis: On 13 Jun 2007, at 1006, H H , advance team returning from the Karl^Branch of MO Migration and Displacement was in the vicinity off \_\_\_\_\_.traveling south tow^ds Checkpoint ""when a silver van aggressively approached the motorcade from the rear. The d^vct of the vehicle failed to obey several verbal and visual warnings to stop and in an escalation of force the well gunner fired a total of eight rounds from his jnfile and the left rear door gunner fired a total of six ~ rounds from his' ,rifle. Four of the rounds fired tw thTwell gunnerlmpacted the grill area and four impacted the windshield^ Three of the rounds fired by theTeft ear impacted the grill area and three impacted the windshield There were no lparent fr^juries to the occupants of the silver van, no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to anyCOM assets or vehicles. The team returned to the IZ without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

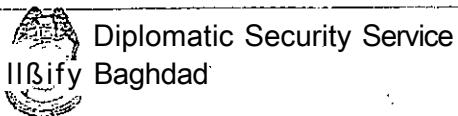
Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

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Report Date

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| DS Case Number      | Case Title              | KOIJfpj                   | Report Date |
| PQ-2007-02989       | 20070613 EOF,<br>b1*, F | CASE FINAL                | 13-JUN-07   |
| Case Type           | Program                 | Dates Investigated        |             |
| PRELIMINARY INQUIRY | PRELIMINARY INQUIRY     | 13-JUN-07                 |             |
| Case Impact         | Case Status             | Open/Close Case Dates     |             |
|                     | CLOSED                  | 02-Sep-2007 - 02-Sep-2007 |             |

On Wednesday June 13th, 2007, I was advised by personnel in the RSO TOC that one of the Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Details (PSD) was involved in an escalation offeree incident.

When the team finished ^'s duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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'who was in the Well Gunner position and the first to fire his weapon, told me the following: He said that while returning from a venue the vehicles became temporarily bottle-necked in traffic as they were approaching a Check Point. While waiting to continue, traffic on the roadway had stopped approximately 100 meters behind the motorcade.

At the time of the shooting a silver and white minivan with two male occupants pulled past the stopped traffic and began to approach the motorcade from behind. \_\_\_ began to give audible and visual signals for the vehicle to stop, but it continued to approach the motorcade. \_\_\_ fired a pen flare as the vehicle broke from the stopped traffic in order to draw the drivers attention to the need to stop. The pen flare struck the front of the approaching vehicle, but the driver still did not yield and appeared to accelerate even more toward the motorcade.

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As the vehicle continued toward the stopped motorcade, \_\_\_ brought his ^ on target and began to flash his Surefire light (mounted on the fore end of the \_\_\_) in another attempt to draw the attention of the suspect vehicle driver. During this time, \_\_\_ opened his door and began to give-hand signals for the vehicle to stop.

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Despite all visual and audible warnings, the suspect vehicle continued toward the motorcade. It was at this time when both \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ fearing that the suspect vehicle was a VBIED, fired rounds into the vehicle engine block in an attempt to stop the vehicle < \_\_\_ fired 4 rounds and \_\_\_ fired 3). Despite receiving seven rounds into the engine, the vehicle continued to accelerate. By this time it was under \_\_\_ meters from the motorcade and approaching quickly, so both \_\_\_ and \_\_\_ fired ^, again into the windshield of the suspect vehicle \_\_\_ fired 4 more rounds and \_\_\_ fired 3 additional rounds). The vehicle then coasted to a stop on the right side of the road.

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After stopping the front seat passenger exited the vehicle and ran to the right with his hands in the air. The driver crawled over the passenger's seat and exited the same door, but "low crawled" away from the vehicle on his elbows, with his hands in the air above his head. It could not be determined if he was crawling due to an injury or to appear unthreatening. The motorcade then continued on its mission.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This use offeree

Reporting Official:

Hammond, Kory H

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Jun-13-07 00:00

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Approving Official(s):

Hammond, Kory H- APPROVED

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| Date<br>13 June 2007                         | To me<br>Approximately 1300 Hours |
| Location<br><br>WPPS Camp Bagfridadi, (Iraq) |                                   |

I, [REDACTED] h6 t>7< hereby make the following statement at the request of  
/<t>/I>- m / q, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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I attended Blackwater Security Consulting WPPS II Course in \_\_\_\_\_ and then the Blackwater/ JCourse in ~ At thej Course I was extensively trained in the Standard Operating Procedures and -Department of State Policies concerning the role of \_\_\_\_\_ in a Protective Security Detail. I deployed to Mosul, Iraq with Blackwater as a . After the Mosul site was shut down, I was reassigned to Baghdad. Due to the reorganization of \_\_\_\_\_ within the company I was assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ I am still assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ as a member off \_\_\_\_\_. I am currently on my second contract with Blackwater as a \_\_\_\_\_. The combination of my extensive and highly advanced \_\_\_\_\_ [training and experience In the military, plus the excellent PSS:r3Z2-training provided by the Blackwater Training Cadre, in conjunction with my thorough training in the policies and regulations concerning the use of deadly force and the escalation of force continuum, has given me the tools necessary to make the appropriate and most responsible decisions in any situation that I am faced with.

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On 13 June 2007, the PSD team that I am assigned to as thef \_\_\_\_\_ conducted an advance in support of \_\_\_\_\_ mission to the Ministry of Displacement and Migration Karkh Branch Office. Prior to the mission, we conducted a pre-mission brief covering the routes, actions on the venue, rules of engagement afid the daily intelligence report. The intelligence report highlighted specific threats of direct and indirect fire, recent enemy activity in the area we were heading, as well as the elevated VBIED threat. This VBIED threat was identified as high around bridges, and checkpoints. I was assigned the left rear position in the follow vehicle.

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During our return from the venue to [~] BW Air recommended a variation of our regrn route. Our motorcade was traveling southbound from \_\_\_\_\_ towards P \_\_\_\_\_. (Checkpoint j) As we approached" \_\_\_\_\_ our motorcade had to stop movement to allow a US Military convoy to make its way past our position. This location is in close proximity to a major bridge with a current direct threat of VBIED attack. The local traffic to our 6 o'clock position, in response to our visual signals, rear facing emergency strobe lights, as well as the stenciling on the rear of our vehicle which states in English and Arabic "warning stay back 100 meters", was stopped approximately 130 to 140 meters back. At approx 1005, the well gunner in my vehicle alerted the rest of the team that a silver van containing two men was beginning to push through the stopped traffic behind the motorcade. I cracked my door and utilized hand and arm signals in an attempt to get the van to stop. As the van broke through the wall of stopped traffic and was approximately! \_\_\_\_\_ meters to our rear, the well gunner fired a pen flare to warn the van to stop. The pen flare struck the front of the van, but instead of stopping the vkn accelerated in an aggressive manner toward our vehicle. After the van accelerate towards us, i believed the vehicle was a VBIED and I was in fear of being killed. I fired three rounds from my ( Jinto the grill of the van in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The well gunner also fired ptj) \_\_\_\_\_ gijfl sijnaltawequiy.j EveRjafter rsssivRC the shots to the grill

from both myself and the wJir gufflferT the Wi eoPitintiecflo afccelerc&eStewardfs our vehicle clearly displaying hostile intent. Fearing for jhe safety of my team and for the safety of myself, I fired three more rounds into the windshield of the van to stop the threat. The well gunner also fired simultaneously into the windshield to stop the threat. The van immediately stopped its approach, and the occupants dismounted and moved away from the van. As I continued to scan my sector, I heard a burst of gunfire from an AK-47. I was unable to identify the source of the gunfire. Shortly thereafter the motorcade began moving again. We entered Check Pointy and continued toj

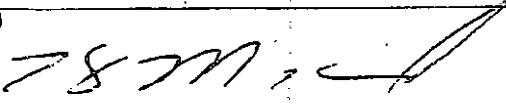
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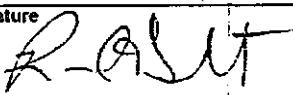
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 13th day of June, 2007.

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| Signed  |  |
| Printed | KM Hannan                                                                         |

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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| Date<br>13 June 2007                      | Time<br>Approximately 1300 Hours |
| Location<br><br>J WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                  |

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I, \_\_\_\_\_ hereby make the following statement at the request of

Karen M. Hammarskjold, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Civilian Experience

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training to include: weapons training\*, threat assessment and target recognition, shoot / don't shoot scenarios, and shooting from a moving platform. I am currently assigned to \_\_\_\_\_ in the position of the Follow Well.

### Incident

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

DECLARATION

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 14th day of June, 2007.  
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SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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| Blackwater USA                                              | After Action Report (AAR)      | ig g L                                                          | Date/time of Statement<br>13 June 2007/-1200 hrs |
| Name _____                                                  | Team _____                     | Situation<br><b>Shoot to Disable / Shoot to stop the threat</b> | M<br>b7E, F<br>b7D<br>b7A                        |
| Location/Venue<br><b>Approximately 150 meters south* of</b> | Tim durrej<br>10D5**<br>ITS ** | Date Occurred<br><b>13 June 2007</b>                            | W I S                                            |

### incident Report BW 06-13-07 (1) Weapons Discharge Baghdad

On June 13, 2007 at 0830 hours \_\_\_\_\_/conducted a pre-mission brief on C Block of the WPPS Man Camp. \_\_\_\_\_ was tasked with conducting an advance of the Ministry of Displacement and Migration Karkh Branch Office located at \_\_\_\_\_ j?ur mission was to advance the venue for \_\_\_\_\_, who was transporting US Embassy Chief of Mission Personnel to that site for official business. The pre-mission brief included an inteJligaDoa.MQi-b.V- team intelligence representative \_\_\_\_\_;

\_\_\_\_\_ conducted the pre-mission Brief and the Department of State Use of Force Policy/ Rules of Engagement was read to all team members that would be traveling on the mission. The brief covered topics such as pen flare deployment, shooting to disable, and shooting to stop the threat if lower levels of force have failed or would likely fail to stop the threat.

At approximately 0850r \_\_\_\_\_ departed checkpoint^Jn a!\_\_\_\_j/ehicle motorcade in the following configuration:



/arrived at the Ministry of Displacement and Migration Karkh Branch Office \_\_\_\_\_ and secured the venue for \_\_\_\_\_ arrival. After \_\_\_\_\_ arrived at the venue, \_\_\_\_\_ was released. \_\_\_\_\_ return to the US Embassy was coordinated through the RSO TOC for BW Air Little Birds to cover the motorcadejiipvement. BW Air conducted a reconnaissance of the routes, and under BW Air's directionr \_\_\_\_\_ Jdeparted the venue for a return trip to the US Embassy at approximately 0950 hours. During the return trip, \_\_\_\_\_ (traveled south on Haifa Street and passed through^ \_\_\_\_\_ 31 There was heavy traffic on the north side off \_\_\_\_\_ ^because of local security and Iraqi Police around the Iraqi Media Network and the Al Mansour Hotel.

At approximately 1005 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ /was traveling south on Haifa Street approximately 150 meters south of the intersection oF \_\_\_\_\_. This intersectionof Haifa Street is a four lane asphalt roadway divided by a sm'all dirt and concrete median^ \_\_\_\_\_. # was in the middle of the two south bound lanes. The follow vehicle's well gunner \_\_\_\_\_ jihad stopped traffic all the way back to the intersection of \_\_\_\_\_, and his actions gave a clear path to the rear of approximately 150 meters. In the intersection at \_\_\_\_\_ Jthere were several Iraqi Police Officers responsible for traffic control. At this time a large US Military convoy came from the East and crossed Bridge' "The large convoy consisted of HMMWV'S, and what appeared to be Striker vehicles. \_\_\_\_\_ was forced to stop and hold its position while the US Military attempted to enter the International Zone utilizing Checkpoint^ While sitting still, the well gunner of the follow

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## After Action Report (AAR)

Date/Time of Statement  
13 June 2007/11200 hrs

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| Name _____                                            | Team _____                | Situation<br><b>Shoot to Disable / Shoot to stop the threat</b> |
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our motorcade's rear.' Immediately deployed a Pen Flare that struck the van. I \_\_\_\_\_ advised that the driver was accelerating toward our position and he showed no signs of stopping or slowing. The right rear passenger of the follow, f \_\_\_\_\_ j already had his door open because he was covering an alley way adjacent to our motorcade. The left rear passenger, \_\_\_\_\_ j opened his door and [\_\_\_\_\_] andf lfo 9 ether utilized hand and arm signals and loud verbal commands in an attempt to stop the van. " \_\_\_\_\_ also utilized his flashlight attached to his issued!" J rifle in a strobe pattemjn an attempt to stop the driver. In addition to the verbal and physical warnings, the rear of tIZ—J vehicle is stenciled "Warning Stay Back 100 Meters" in English and Arabic, and the vehicle \_\_\_\_\_ had rear facing emergency strobe lights activated. The van continued to accelerate towardf \_\_\_\_\_ position.

Simultaneously/ 3 (left door position) and \_\_\_\_\_ j (well position) fired approximately 8 rounds (4 each). Trori their Department of State issued \_\_\_\_\_ into the grill of the van. The van was approximately; \_\_\_\_\_ meters and closing when the shots to disable were fired. \_\_\_\_\_ isi. could see in the rear view mirror that the van was not slowing and it wasin'. SL's estimation that the shots into the van's grill-were not going to stop the van. The r \_\_\_\_\_ ,JSL was immediately in fear for his life and the lives of his team mate's because this van wouldn't stop.

SL's fear rose from the factjthat \_\_\_\_\_,had attempted and exhausted all lower levels of force available to the team in an attempt to stop the van. Since the vehicle did not stop, \_\_\_\_\_,and f \_\_\_\_\_ fired rounds into the vehicle's Windshield to stop the threat. The front seat passenger jumped out of the van and waved his arms frantically. He ran toward the sidewalk and stopped. The driver jumped out of the right front passenger seat and crawled across the asphalt toward the sidewalk. Their was no visible injuries! to either one of the occupants that exited the vehicle. The RSO TOC was notified of the shots 16 disable. \_\_\_\_\_ JSL gave the motorcade a situational report via internal communications and he ordered the motorcade to drive forvard and out of the danger area. Gun shots were fired behind the motorcade from the area of \_\_\_\_\_ but their was no impacts inl \_\_\_\_\_ 1 immediate vicinity. As1 \_\_\_\_\_ drove away the team SL observed that rounds had been fired into the windshield oHhe van.

\_\_\_\_\_ moved through CheckjDoint^and into the International Zone. Once inside an area of safety, \_\_\_\_\_,andr \_\_\_\_\_ explained they had in fact fired into the van's windshield. Both \_\_\_\_\_, and F \_\_\_\_\_ had fired several rounds into thej driver's windshield the instant they realized the shots to disable the van had failed to stop the threat. Detail Leader \_\_\_\_\_ was notified of the incident. -END-

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| Date<br>13 June 2007                    | Time<br>Approximately 1300 Hours |
| Location<br><br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                  |

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I, [redacted], ^ hereby make the following statement at the request of jKaf>sl. // o, who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and thpt disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding] except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Career Experience

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Following my honorable discharge from the US Army in \_\_\_\_\_, I attended and successfully passed the Blackwater WPPS Course in \_\_\_\_\_. During my time in training I learned standard operating procedures and department of state policies to successfully perform as a Protective Security Detail contractor. After successful completion of WPPS I deployed to Iraq for one contract with WhijéjtépUyfccltafc a\*£tailit\*sSefirity, u^tel IW&tefISn Baghdad, Iraq. I also

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conducted PSD movements with liprioplo in His gfeen. and reSj zotiella' [redacted] deployed to Baghdad again to work on a Department of State contract, assigned to [redacted]

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In conjunction with my thorough training in the policies and regulations concerning the use of deadly force and the escalation of force continuum, has given me the tools necessary to make the appropriate and most responsible decisions in any situation that I am faced with.

#### Incident

On June 13, 2007 at 0830, [redacted] staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission of conducting an advance of the Ministry of Displacement and Migration Karkh Branch Office. The brief was conducted in accordance with [redacted] standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief and rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible and multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device) to include local emergency vehicles.

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On June 13<sup>th</sup> 2007, at 1005 hours, [redacted] I was [redacted] positioned approximately 150 meters south of [redacted] traveling southbound to Check Point [redacted] when we encountered gridlock traffic due to a large U.S. Army convoy entering into [redacted] Our convoy consisted of [redacted] up-armored Suburban's). While halted, from my view point as right rear gunner, all rear traffic had stopped at a safe distance approximately 130 to 140 meters to the rear of our convoy. At this time I cracked my door to signal vehicles coming out of a side street from the right side to stop, using hand signals and verbal warnings. At this time the vehicles had come to a halt and I alerted the team in our vehicle that they were holding right. At this time I heard the well gunner verbally alert the team inside that a vehicle had began moving past stopped traffic. I looked to our rear and saw a silver van begin to move towards our motorcade. I then focused on my sector to make sure traffic was not approaching from the side street. At that time I heard the pen flare deploy from the well gunner. I leaned out my door to give hand and arm signals for the van to stop, the silver van accelerated toward ours position and I viewed the aggressive vehicle as a threat and a possible VBIED, I was in fear for my life and my team mates lives and that's when I heard the shots fired. From my door I could not accurately engage the vehicle so I did not fire. After the first burst of rounds fired I looked back and saw the vehicle was still approaching. I still could not accurately engage the threat and then heard the next burst of rounds fired and that's when the vehicle came to a stop. When witnessed two individuals exit the vehicle. We then continued on through check point [redacted] and entered the green zone. -END-

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

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Date of Report: 13 June 07

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Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

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Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 13 Jun 07

Time of Incident: 1028

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: 1

Personnel Involved: 1

Incident Synopsis: On 13 Jun 2007, at 1028, — Z Z 1 \* C ^ ^ - J returning from the MO ^ Electricity in support of I was in the vicinity of i J j w h e n a black Mercedes agg s v e l y p p r S e d the motorcade from the side. The driver of the vehicle failed to o ey several verbal and visual warning stop and in an escalation offeree, the turret gunner of the lead vehicle fired a total of five - g r o u n d s from hisf m f l e. One round impacted the hood three impacted the windshield and one impacted the driver's side. Based on the manner ,n wh.ch th rounds impacted the vehicle, the gunner assessed that the veh.cle may have been armored There were no apparent injuries to the occupants of the black Mercedes, no majunes to COM personal and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team returned to the IZ w.thout further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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BAGHDAD #: BAGHDAD-2007-00081Impact:  
Status: CLOSED**Required Case Info**Case Title: 20070613 EOF,  
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Status: CLOSED

Case Type: ADMINISTRATIVE

Program Type: REGIONAL SECURITY

**Categories:**

- INFORMATION

Preliminary Inquiry: PQ-2007-02987

**Optional Case Info****Impact:**

Principal Judicial District:

Due Date:

Countries Impacted:

**Violations:****Nexus:**

TECS Lookout: No

**Case Origin/Source**

Source Organization: RSO Baghdad

Name: Hammond

Phone:

Source Comments:

**Synopsis**

On 13 June 2007 members of a Chief of Mission Personal Protective Detail fired four rounds from an ~ rifle at an aggressive vehicle. There were no injuries to COM personnel and unknown injuries to the driver of the suspect vehicle. This incident was within U.S. Embassy Baghdad's Use of Force policy.

**Primary Subjects****Case Reports**

| Date       | Snippet                        |
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| 06/13/2007 | On Wednesday June 13, 2007,... |

**Attachments**

| Title     | Type      | Size     |
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|           | Adobe PDF | 7,635 kB |

Team Member Statements

**Related Cases****Outstanding Warrants****Status History**

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| 06/16/2007 | OPEN   |
| 08/23/2007 | CLOSED |
| 09/02/2007 | OPEN   |
| 09/02/2007 | OPEN   |
| 09/02/2007 | CLOSED |

**Personnel Assignment**

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| Carpenter, Theodore | ASAC       | BAGHDAD |
| Hammond, Kory H     | ARSO       | BAGHDAD |
| Motley, David       | DUTY AGENT | BAGHDAD |

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION ^

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| DS Case Number | Case Title         | «oi I M                   | Report Date |
| RS-2007-00281  | 20070613 EOF b7E,F | *CASE TIN AL              | 13-JUN-07   |
| Case Type      | Program            | Dates Investigated        |             |
| ADMINISTRATE   | REGIONAL SECURITY  | 13-JUN-07 -               |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status        | Open/Close Case Dates     |             |
|                | CLOSED             | 02-Sep-2007 - 02-Sep-2007 |             |

On Wednesday June 13, 2007, I was advised by personnel in the RSO TOC that one of the Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Details (PSD) had fired several rounds at a vehicle during an escalation of force incident. b7E,F

When the team finished it's duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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I who was in the Turret Gunner position and the only one to fire his weapon, told me the following: He said that while in transit along a two lane divided roadway in support of PSD! " J the team was utilizing lights, sirens, and usual and audible signals to indicate that traffic needed to yield to their motorcade.

At the time of the shooting, the motorcade was slowly traversing an intersection while waiting for stopped traffic to clear. Suddenly the suspect vehicle, a black, 4-door sedan with two male occupants in the front seat, broke from stopped traffic and began to accelerate toward the lead vehicle from the right hand side. saw the vehicle and gave visual and verbal signals for it to stop. "The front end of the vehicle dipped down, indicative of the driver applying the breaks.

The suspect vehicle then quickly accelerated and appeared as if it were going to ram the lead vehicle. /had previously given visual and audible signals to yield and, due to the short distance involved meters) and the suspect vehicle's sudden movement, believed that the car was an immediate threat to his life and the lives of others in the motorcade. There was not time nor distance to give additional warnings or shoot to disable the vehicle.

I quickly brought his ^ on target and fired four rounds, one of which appeared to strike the hood, and the remaining three into the windshield of the suspect vehicle. "The driver of the lead vehicle was forced to take evasive action to avoid being struck by the suspect vehicle, which passed behind the lead vehicle and continued through the intersection.

After the shots fired and evasive maneuvering of the COM vehicle, the suspect vehicle appeared to come to a complete stop under its own power. jsaid he was unable to continue to watch the vehicle as the motorcade continued forward and is unaware of the condition of the driver or other occupants. He then returned to his duties as the motorcade was still in transit.

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This escalation of force incident is within the DS Embassy Baghdad's Use of Force policy.

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From: J(Baghdad)

Sent: Thursday, June 14, 2007 6:30 PM

To: Hammond, Kory M (Baghdad)

Subject: EOF incident CAT on 6/13/\$7: { .J . I . I . I . }

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On 6/13/2007 I was part of the Chief ~~CMF~~ on <sup>C</sup>~~M~~ Counterassault team assigned to support COM Personal Security Detail (PSD) motorcades operating in and around Baghdad, Iraq. The CAT team was arranged in the following order:

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(HMMV). All vehicles had single turret gunners and maintained a separation of approximately meters, depending on speed of movement and traffic congestion. I was riding in the right rear position of the ERV.

The CAT motorcade was traveling south west bound on a four lane roadway (near O H U) divided in the middle by a raised median and covered by a 4 lane freeway known as<sup>1</sup>. At about 1030 hours, we passed through the intersection I was looking momentarily forward watching as water bottles being thrown in the intersection and cross traffic was stopped. Shortly after this, I turned around to the right and rear to cover my sector when I heard several shots (4-5) in rapid succession. Initially I did not know where the shots were coming from, or who had fired them but quickly realized a vehicle coming from our right (north side) had attempted to enter in and actually did pass thru our motorcade. Our motorcade and vehicle separation at the time was no more than <sup>1</sup>J meters or approximately — feet.

The vehicle I observed was a black 4 door BWW sedan rolling to a stop between the <sup>1</sup> vehicle. As the ERV passed by the sedan, I was only able to see the right side of the vehicle. I could not see clearly through the windows of the vehicle but did see what appeared to be spider webbed shattered glass in either the right front window or windshield. A local Iraqi Army soldier, who was standing at the intersection at the time of the shooting, was walking casually over to the black sedan. I was not able to determine if there were not any occupants in the vehicle nor if any one was injured as no one exited before we departed the scene. The commander of the motorcade announced over the radio to the TOC that the CAT element had an Escalation of Force incident and the motorcade continued on to the International Zone (IZ) in direct support of the PSD without further incident.

Upon arrival at the IZ, I notified ARSO Hammond and HTPO ARSO Reiser of the EOF incident. The turret gunner of the lead vehicle debriefed me regarding the incident and that the black sedan had initially stopped but then accelerated as the lead vehicle. After the CAT element passed thru the intersection, the sedan then slowed and pulled over to the left in the middle of the intersection. The ERV turret gunner observed the vehicle but could not determine if the vehicles occupants were injured. The turret gunner in the ERV stated he had seen the vehicle slowing but then quickly accelerated and had been reaching for a water bottle but couldn't throw it nor engage the vehicle in the short period of time this incident transpired. The right rear Agent described to me that he thought the sedan was going to hit the lead vehicle and was in fear of his life. The tactical commander of the ERV stated he was looking down at his GPS as the incident took place and only saw the sedan after it had been shot and the EOF incident had taken place. The turret gunner of the lead vehicle did not have time to deploy a pen flare, as the sedan was apparently disregarding the previous arm signals, water bottles being thrown, lights and sirens on the ERV and fired four to five well-aimed shots into the vehicle in fear of the safety of his fellow colleagues.

Based upon their statements to me and my observation of the black sedan's actions, it is my opinion that the turret gunners acted in compliance with the EOF DS policy currently in place with COM PSD teams operating in Baghdad, Iraq.

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Assistant Regional Security Officer  
American Embassy Baghdad

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| Blackwater USA      | After Action Report (AAR) |                                         |                                | BLACKWATER | Diile/Time of Statement<br>June 13, 2007 / MOO hrs |
| Name<br>W 6<br>b7C  | Team<br>H                 | Situation<br>Shoot to stop a firebreath |                                |            |                                                    |
| Location/Venue<br>V |                           | Time Occurred<br>jApprox. 1040;hrs      | Date Occurred<br>June 13, 2007 |            |                                                    |

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### incident Report BW 06-13-07 (2) Weapons Discharge Baghdad

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, activities during a shooting £ 11-  
 incident that occurred at the intersection referred to as on 13 June  
2007 at approximately 1040 hours. personnel reporting on this incident include the  
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On 13 June 2007 at approximately 0830 hours, conducted a pre-mission briefing. The mission brief included the rules of engagement per the mission firearms policy, escalation of force, team movements, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence from the embedded Intelligence Analyst, to include, reports of a recent increase in enemy activity around' 57E, F

Team 24 departed the International Zone (IZ) in a vehicle motorcade that was configured with HMMWV, was tasked with supporting several teams as a quick response force including At approximately 1015 hours, ~ advised they were scheduled to depart their venue (Ministry of Electricity) at approximately 1030 hours.

I followed (on their primary route, which took them westbound on Route towards the International Zone (IZ). I reached) ^ trf 1^ circle located under Route which runs North and South with connecting on and off ramps. All the vehicles emergency lights and sirens were activated while entering the intersection. Furthermore, all vehicles were clearly marked with bold red lettering, in English and Arabic, warning all vehicles to stay back 100 meters. As the Lead vehicle passed under the bridge. PSS" gave verbal and hand signals to all Local National (LN) vehicles on the intersecting off ramps to stop from the turret position of the lead HMMWV. All vehicles complied with directions to stop. 57C hi\*

PSS' then observed a black sedan exit onto the southbound Route Vff ramp and begin passing stopped vehicles on the left at a high rate of speed, driving straight toward the motorcade. PSS' made eye contact with the driver of the black sedan, who appeared to be an Iraqi National, and signaled him to stop verbally and with hand and arm signals. Initially, the driver of the black sedan complied and slowed, but as soon as J began searching for other threats the suspect vehicle again sprinted forward, accelerating rapidly toward the motorcade. Based on the driver of the suspect vehicles intentional disregard for directions, PSS

believed that the black sedan was a Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED). The speed, close proximity of the vehicle, and belief that the vehicle was a VBIED caused to be in fear for his life, the lives of his teammates and civilians in the area. Due to the proximity of the vehicle to the motorcade PSS' did not have sufficient time or space to effectively fire disabling shots, f J fired approximately four to five rounds from his Department of State

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| Name                  | Vs G<br><i>b7c</i>               | Team | Situation                               | <b>June 13, 2007/1400 hrs</b>         |
| Location/Venue        |                                  |      | Time Occurred<br><i>[Aggro] 1040 Kr</i> | Date Occurred<br><b>June 13, 2007</b> |

issued a rifle at the driver side windshield to stop the threat. Simultaneously the driver of the lead vehicle, PSS ~ believing the vehicle was a VBIED, swerved to the left to avoid being rammed in the side by the black sedan. The black sedan passed the motorcade right behind the lead vehicle just missing it and appeared to come to a controlled stop on the other side of the intersection.

       continued westbound in order to distance themselves from the threat. Shift-Lead's ^ b7c contacted the RSO TOC via radio and advised them of the incident. ^ entered the IZ through Check Point ^ Without further incident. The status of the suspect vehicle's occupants is unknown. There were no personnel injured nor were any Team vehicles damaged.///END///

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#### General Military/Civilian Experience

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In r I took a contract with Blackwater USA in North Carolina. I have operated in the Kirkuk and in the Baghdad area. I received training in operating as a member of a protective detail. The training standards were similar to those used to train special agents in the US Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. I also received further training on the use of M as well as threat assessment / target recognition and shooting from a moving platform. |

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## Incident

On 13 June 2007 at approximately 0830 hours, our team.j\_\_\_\_\_ conducted a pre-mission briefing. The mission brief included the rules of engagement per the mission firearms policy, escalation of force, team movements, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence from the embedded :intelligence. Analyst, to include reports of a recent increase in enemy activity around[ ]

While staged at Forward Operating Base (FOB) Shield, we were advised that they would be departing early from their venue at approximately 1030 hours. Along with other teams, our mission included supporting "\_\_\_\_\_" to and from their venue at the Ministry of Electricity. A short time after I \_\_\_\_\_ departed their venue traveling westbound along Route \_\_\_\_ we departed to follow them -oTLthij^ was as follows:

-A? vehicles were clearly marked in bold red lettering warning vehicles to stay back 100 meters. Furthermore, all vehicles had operating emergency lights and sirens that were being used throughout the mission.

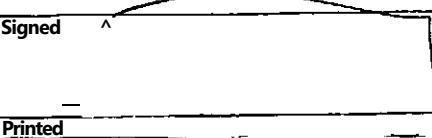
Once we reached! a traffic circle located Under R<sup>o</sup> Utter - u i 1 \*\*\* which runs North and "South with connecting on and off ramps, we slowed down to allow the, .

vehicles to catch up after exiting an Iraqi checkpoint. I observed that all Local National (LN) vehicles were complying with signals to stop on both sides of the intersection. I then observed a black four door sedan on the southbound exit ramp from Route 1, driving at a high rate of speed passing other stopped cars on the left side." yelled to our turret gunner (PSS) "had already begun yelling at the driver to stop and warning him of the possible threat. The black sedan appeared to slow down, but then again began accelerating toward our vehicle. I heard PSS' "continue to yell at the driver to stop and braced myself for an explosion or impact. I then heard PSS' Jfire four to five shots from his Department of State issued rifle.. Simultaneously, our driver (PSS ) swerved to the left and sped up to avoid the impending collision from the suspect vehicle. The black sedan passed right behind our vehicle and appeared to come to a controlled stop on the other side of the intersection.

As a team, we immediately departed the area away from the possible threat and continued the mission toward Check Point [redacted] without further incident. I advised Shift Leader [redacted] ^ [redacted] 1 of the incident who then contacted the RSOTOC via [redacted] radio. I am unaware of any injuries to the occupants of the suspect vehicle. No [redacted] personnel were injured nor were any vehicles damaged. We continued to [redacted], Parking lot without further incident. //END//

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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General N!5!itary/C5yil5aini Experience

The team training I've received while in Baghdad include the Use of Torce,""ClosFDuartérs Còmbat (CQB), identifying threats, shooting from a moving platform, and shoot / no shoot scenarios.

During my contract work with Blackwater in Iraq, I have conducted numerous PSD missions, as well as Counter Assault Team support missions at venues in and around Baghdad. I have been trained in all aspects of PSD and Counter Assault to include responding to aggressor vehicles, shooting from a moving platform, Escalation of Force, and shoot / no shoot situations. I am also a jand I have extensive

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**Incident**

On the 13<sup>th</sup> of June 2007 at approximately 0830 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ staged and conducted an \_\_\_\_\_ mission to the Ministry of Electricity. The brief was conducted in accordance with \_\_\_\_\_ Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) and included the overall situation in Baghdad, the five paragraph order, and the rules of engagement. The intelligence portion of the brief highlighted the venue and route specific threats, as well as the threat of possible Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices (VBIEDs) to include local emergency vehicles, black sedans, and other Local National (LN) vehicles.

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I was assigned as the turret gunner in the lead counter assault vehicle (HMMWV). There were \_\_\_\_\_ vehicles total in our motorcade. I was armed with a U.S. Department of State issued \_\_\_\_\_, I was also equipped with a U.S. Department of State issued \_\_\_\_\_

On 13 June 2007 at approximate^ 040 hours/ [was in route to the US Embassj^ . to support) "\_\_\_\_pn the move back to the IZ/ ..was traveling southwest at \_\_\_\_\_ towardsf \_\_\_\_\_ J

All^ Df our vehicles had clearly stenciled signs in Arabic and English that stated "Warning, stay bacTToo meters". The lead CAT vehicle was moving through the intersection at; \_\_\_\_\_ at approximately 5 to 10 MPH. Our vehicle had slowed to wait for the rest of the motorcade that was still coming through the Iraqi checkpoint prior to the FZ-jntersection. There was mergmg e traffic coming from the off ramp from R o u t e T H ^ There wer, ethree ^ TI J. f of the off ramp which heeded our warnings and came to a complete stop. A black 4-door sedan drove around the stopped vehicles heading straight for my vehicle. This black sedan was n perpendicular to my vehicle and quickly closing the distance. I was giving visual and verba signals for the vehicle to stop. Additionally, the driver of the lead HMMWV in which I occupied had the emergency lights and sirens activated to warn all LN vehicles of our presence. The drver of the black sedan made visual contact with me and briefly hit the brakes caus.ng the front of the sedan to dip I began to scan the rest of my security sector when I saw out my peripheral vision that foe sedan suddenly accelerated towards our vehicle. At this point, the suspect vehicle was about to \_\_\_\_\_ meters away from slamming into the side of our vehicle. Being in fear for my life and the ives of my teammates, I made the decision to engage the suspect vehicle in order to stop the threat. My decision was based on the proximity of the suspect vehicle to our motorcade, he speed at which he was traveling, and my belief that the vehicle was a VBIED. The driver of the black sedan had his eyes locked on me the entire time he was accelerating towards my vehicle. I fired 5 rounds total in order to stop the threat. The first round struck just below, the windshield intothehood and the remaining four rounds impacted the windshield itself. The driver of the lead CAT vehicle swerved to avoid the aggressing vehicle and I braced for impact as I thought the vehicle was going to strike our truck broadside. The suspect vehicle narrowly passed just behind our vehicle between the lead vehicle and the ERV and came to a controlled stop on the other side of ou motorcade. Our motorcade quickly accelerated out of the area to avoid further incident.

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I did not observe any casualties within the suspect vehicle. Shift Leader

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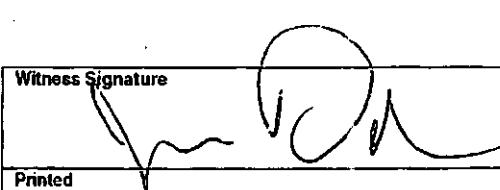
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**U.S. EMBASSY  
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Al-Hillah  
13 June 2007

**Spot Report**

**Subject: Multiple EOF incidents and denial of entry into venue involving COM PSD advance team**

**Reporting Office: RSO Al-Hillah**

**SUMMARY:** On 13 June 2007 at approximately 0930 hours, a COM PSD **advance** team (TeamQ in support of a COM PSD motorcade (Team^) encountered an aggressive vehicle and used escalation of force (EOF) measures to disable the vehicle. Team^ a vehicle convoy, was traveling west along an improved, divided highway entering the city of A1 Xd yat wlen they encountered heavy traffic. From the rear of the convoy fe C A V had stopped all approaching traffic. While all other yehicles had compUed with verbal and visual cues to stop and maintain a distance from the convoy, the CAV well gunner noted a taxi approaching the convoy at a high rate of speed. The CAV well gunner attempted further visual and verbal signals to warn the approaching vehicle to no avail. Additional Ittemp sto stop the vehicle, including flashing a spot light and pen flares, ^unsuccessful. Following approved rules of engagement, the CAV well gunner fired 6 rounds from h i s ^ i n t o the vehicle engine compartment. The vehicle came to an immediate stop and the single male occupant appeared uninjured. TeamGcontinued with their mission to the venue without incident.

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upon arriving at t ^ w i t # K a.f M ^ e t.™ ^ (GC), Jean C attempted to gain v^ict^e..5rfi, Team was me by several Iraqi security forces who demanded to know their dent,ties. The

Team translator communicated basic information about the principals' intent, along with th<sup>q1</sup> & VJhe & & Oft f K W . \* » ? mf<sub>1</sub> et,ng with. The translator th'entna'de c\*»ti?\* w\*th.a?RT K ^ a ^ c a l l y Engaged Staff (LES) individual who works at the GC. The LES met with Team P and was informed of the meeting at the venue. The Team U team leader noted that the GC security forces were agitated and repeatedly refused entry. After approximately 20 minutes, a group of masked individuals with automatic weapons came out of a nearby pedestrian gate and circled the Team P motorcade. The LES informed the team leader that they should leave Store they are attacked. Unable to relay the unfolding events using vehicle communication equipment, the Team^ FAV driver called the RSO Al-Hillah TOC using a local cell phone. Team^ was immediately directed to return to the Regional Embassy Office in Al-Hillah^REO) along the prima route of Team P in hopes of stopping Team^ attempting to enter the GC. The communication issues affecting Team L were also preventing communication with Team —,

At approximately 1030 Team O was traveling east on an improved Highway returning to the R E ^ h e n J h ^ entered Team — traveling west towards Karbala. Team L. — bound lanes and allowed Team \ to approach their position. Team / — quickly related the incident at the Karbala GC and reported that both teams should return to the REO. Team —

P Z Z T j Team L\* carrying 3 COM principals, immediately departed for the REO while Team P — with their CAV controlling vehicle traffic. Shortly after Team — d S S T d, a sedan pulled around the stopped traffic and accelerated towards the CAV despite verbal and visual commands. The CAV gunner fired a pen at the vehicle and the vehicle stopped. The vehicle then abruptly accelerated towards the CAV and the gunner fired three well aimed shots from his PP into the vehicle engine compartment. The vehicle immediately stopped and the single male occupant appeared uninjured.

Both teams returned to the REO without further incident. There were no COM personnel injuries or vehicle damage.

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RSO ACTION: Team members have been debriefed and written statements have been provided. i^SQ ^cjntafttftiflocalJ)0lfce authonties to determine if a report m bienTilefl b/parties iitvolved'. - RSO has stopped all COM movements to the Karbala GC.. RSO will continue to monitor the situation and report any further details when available.

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LOCATION: First EOF incident occurred at CJ  
Second EOF incident occurred at

DRAFTED: Thomas Murray, RSO Al-Hillah

APPROVED: Rick Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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**Preliminary Inquiry:** PQ-2007-04478**Optional Case Info****Impact:****Principal Judicial District:****Due Date:****Countries Impacted:****Violations:****Nexus:****TECS Lookout:** No**Case Origin/Source****Source Organization:** RSO Baghdad**Name:** Hammond**Phone:****Source Comments:****Personnel Assignment**

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| Hammond, Kory H     | ARSO       | BAGHDAD | 09/02/2007 |
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**Synopsis**

On June 13th, 2007, members of a Hillah RSO PSD were involved in an escalation of force incident.

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n ^ I, na9nn7i \_\_\_\_\_ w 3 R tasked-Witb the Advance mission to the Karbala GC in support of On 13 June 2007, u a s j a s m u w i , arrived at the main gate \_\_\_\_\_ and as expected) a DOS Principal team, \_\_\_\_\_ the local guards there would not let the team inside. The main gate to the Karbala GC is situated immediately on one outlet of an extremely busy traffic cirlce in the middle of Karbala. This fact put the entire motorcade in the precarious position of occupying and defending one of the busiest traffic cirlces in the city of Karbala.

The SL gave his LN interpreter a phone number of the local DOS contact in order to gain his assistance in gaining entrance. While waiting for his appearance, the SL posted his interpreter in close proximity to the local GC guards, so as to overhear their radio traffic. The interpreter informed the SL that he over heard a local guard send a command over the radio to gather the GC security forces behind the main gate, opposite \_\_\_\_\_ and await his command. The SL relayed this over team comms. At the same time, it was observed and disseminated by the Counter Assault Vehicle (CAV), that there were local nationals occupying the rooftop of the GC, and some were carrying weapons. Communications to the Regional Embassy Office! \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

—~I(QRF) were non-existent at this point.

The al nn o contact finally showed up and inquired that the only way we would be admitted was were coming from, what route I ^ e ^ ^ t o n : wh'o was coming, where they DOS contact that the^ were taking through the-city. and why there w e = T, ^ S, h e o ^ he contact then told the we would not prouide this irifrnnetoR. foj want to SL that the Govenor probabiy^ot^not jalfow us to aifer 3H6 ^eQaoja.us inai we t a leave the city before we are afta'cVedTThrs tj&vems great^aase-for c@ccern as to the attitude of

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As the SL and PSD Detail Leader (DL) were discussing options in the middle of the traffic cirlce, V  
^ie pedestrian gate of the GC opened and approximately 15 men ^ ^ X I Z I T ^ ^ e wearing facemasks deployed. Armed with a variety of weapons, including a D ^ n o v sm\_perfnle and several PKM Machine Guns, they formed into a hal -moon perimeter thatencompased the entire western half of rZI—jnQtoffia dP- Instead offacing the c,ty',n 3 helpfU' g6StU " men faced in, in the direction of \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade'

Shortly thereafter, and in communication with the \_\_\_\_\_ the SL and PSD DL made the decision to leave the venue.

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"SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION, STATIONED AT U.S. AIR FORCE BASE, AL HILLAH, APOAE 09316"

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| Name<br><u>LST7C</u> | Team                      | Situation<br><b>Shooting</b> | Time Occurred<br>Qedo/40d0«hts                                                   | Date Occurred<br>June 13, 2007                    |
| Location/Venue       |                           |                              |                                                                                  |                                                   |

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## Incident Report BW 06-13-07 (1) Weapons Discharge Al Hillah

The following After Action Report reflects, in summary, activities during 2 shooting incidents that occurred while was conducting an Advance mission for another A1 Hillah based team. These two incidents occurred in O' L in the city of A1 Hindiyah and IVO! " near to" J h e ^ d t o s occurred on 13 June 2007 at approximately ^) and J030 hours respectively. T personnel reporting on this incident include the following:

On 13 June 2007 at approximately 0830 hours, ~ conducted a pre-mission briefing. The mission brief included rules of engagement per the mission firearms policy, escalation of force, team movements, routes to be taken, and actions on contact in the event the team was attacked. The briefing also included threat intelligence from the embedded Intelligence Analyst, to include reports of a recent increase in Vehicle Bourne Improvised Explosive Device (VBIED) threats in the area as well as specific intelligence regarding a number of incidents of open violence and general dislike of PSD in the area.

At approximately 0900 hours, departed the Regional Embassy Office (REO) en route to their venue at the Karbala Governors Center to conduct a mission advance on that venue. The vehicle configuration for the day was ^ traveling in that order. The lead and the CAV both have printed on them in bold white letters "Warning: Stayback 100 Meters" written in both English and Arabic. ^ traveled west, in the road commonly referred to as( ) to A1 Hindiyah. While traveling . vehicles used all emergency lights, flashing strobes, sirens, and air horns through all checkpoints, intersections, traffic circles, and heavy traffic areas.

As " " 'motorcade traveled west and was entering A1 Hindiyah it was stopped by heavy traffic^ From the rear of the convoy the CAV had stopped traffic. All cars were in compliance with the halted traffic pattern with the exception of one taxi which ignored all attempts to stop it. The vehicle was given both verbal and visual warnings to stop. These included flashing a pen, firing pen waving to stop and yelling to stop. The CAV gunner fearing for his life of his teammates, and the civilians in the immediate vicinity, fired approximately six rounds from his Department of State issued rifle into the taxi causing it to stop. The convoy then continued with its mission. No personnel were injured or vehicle damaged.

As " , was returning to the REO after having left the venue in Karbala, the convoy stopped to confer with 1. While stopped the CAV was controlling vehicle traffic in the west bound lane. Traffic was complying with the exception of one white in color Nissan. This vehicle pulled around stopped traffic and accelerated rapidly toward the convoy's location. The CAV gunner fired a pen flare and the vehicle stopped. It then immediately accelerated again and fired three shots from his Department of State issued rifle. The vehicle stopped. The convoy then continued with its mission. No personnel were injured or vehicle damaged. //END//

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| Location<br>AL Hindiyah, Iraq in the vicinity of GRID | 1,1c                          |

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General Military/Civilian Experience

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operations.

I have served with Blackwater for the past ~ Z I have worked in BaQubah, Baghdad and Al Hillah Iraq in support of the US Department of State Mission in Iraq.

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On 13 June 2007, at approximately 0600 hours, we departed the REO in Advance off. At approximately 0900 hours, we departed the REO in Advance off. The vehicle configuration for the day was [redacted]. The [redacted] vehicle in the motorcade is the Counter Assault Vehicle. The CAV has bright white flashing strobes and the words "Warning, stay back 100 meters" stenciled in white on the back of the vehicle in both English and Arabic. I was riding in the "Well" of the Counter Assault Vehicle, a position that I have performed in many times in the past 12 months.

Upon entering Al-Hindiya city limits, [redacted] Motorcade became stuck in traffic. We were waiting for traffic to clear the first small bridge heading east into downtown Al-Hindiya. I was using a high powered flood light to signal approaching traffic and the CAV's door gunners were dismounted using verbal and physical signals to keep vehicles held back from our location approx 100 meters. Vehicles were yielding with their hazard lights on, on both the right and the left. While in traffic, I observed an orange and white taxi with a single occupant approaching at a high rate of speed, maneuvering between the stopped vehicles.

I tried to give the driver time to see our vehicle flashing a high powered flood light at his vehicle.

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i ^ r T g ^ d l h e Sreat^v^icle conLed and I fired another 3 round burst into the vehicle's engine compartment. The taxi finally came to a stop at approximately 10 meters to the rear of my vehicle.

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and provided the make and model of the suspect vehicle. No personnel were injured nor were any vehicles imaged. We continued to venue.//END//

I hereby swear or affirm that the foregoing contains the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 13<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

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**SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE**

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| Date<br>13 June 2007                                   | Time<br>[REDACTED] |
| Location<br>Route Warsaw in the vicinity of [REDACTED] | [REDACTED]         |

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General Military/Civilian Experienceb6  
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I have worked in the CAV fCoor\*er Asj^t V e J^d a s A d M ^n a r T h v^'bsen assigned to Blackwater. I have been as a g to A^t J^l A^t the entire time while in Iraq. I have been assigned to ~]for ZU-

**Incident**

On 13 June 2007, at approximately 0800 hours, our team I \_\_\_\_\_ J conducted a pre-mission brief given by the SL on me « uiesoi Engagemen . The r k h 5 5 ^ f all teams that we would be supporting during the day and 'he most recent Melfigence Information. The intelligence specifically Informed us of the current threat to our primary Area of Operation (AO.)

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On 06 June 2007, at approximately 1030 hours, while traveling back to the REOAL^LLAH after leaving Karbala, our motorcade had to stop on route \_\_\_\_\_ in the vicinity of \_\_\_\_\_ to make physical contact with \_\_\_\_\_ due to a complete lack of comms, and advise them that the mission was cancelled. I had the traffic stopped in the west bound lane approximately 100 meters away. I observed a white Nissan pickup approaching at a high rate of speed. I began waving my hand above my head to catch the driver's attention at which time he began to slow down. The white pickup truck stopped directly behind a blue van in the left hand lane. I observed this vehicle to have only one occupant, a young male. The driver of this vehicle then pulled off the paved asphalt road onto the dirt directly facing me. He then began to drive toward us. I yelled (KIFF), 'stop' in Arabic, and he refused to comply. The driver of the blue van was yelling and waving his hand also for him to stop, but he continued toward us. I deployed a pen flare at the vehicle. The driver then hesitated again and slowed down to a slow crawl as he was still looking straight at me. He then accelerated his vehicle and continued on, still off the roadway. Fearing for my life and the vehicle

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any" ^vehicles damaged .//END//

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is true to the best of my knowledge.

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| Address | USMI SC/ REO Al Hillah, APO AE 09316 |

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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EWpnf Report: 13 June 01 j j; I \*!... 2S

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Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Task Order: 8

Person Releasing Report: John Little

Title of Person Releasing Report: DPM South Al-Hillah

Date of Incident: 13 Jun 07

Time of Incident: Contractor Involved: J31ackwater

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Detail Location of Incident: IVO \_\_\_\_\_

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Personnel Involved: ( \_\_\_\_\_

Incident Synopsis: On 13 Jun 2007, at approximately 0900 hours, H was traveling west and was enLing Al-Hindiayah when the convoy was stopped by heavy traffic. A cars where in compliance with the halted traffic with the exception of one taxi which ignored all attempts by t h e T ^ team to stop. These included flashing a spot light, firing pen flares, rear gunners wavingTo^stop and yelling "stop". The CAV well gunner fearing for his life, the lives of his teammates, and the civilians in the immediate vicinity, fired approximately six rounds from his Department of State issued) Jnto the engine compartment of the taxi causing it to Stop. The convoy then continued with its mission. No J P.™ e l were injured or vehicle damaged.

As ~ was returning to the REO after having left the venue in Karbala travelin^east..on whatis commonly known as route \_\_\_\_\_ the convoy was stopped to confer with \_\_\_\_\_. While stopped The CAV was contid^Tvehicle traffic in the west bound lane. Traffic was complying with the exception of one white in color Nissan that continued to aggressively approach This vehicle pulled around stopped traffic and accelerated rapidly toward the convoy's location. The CAV gunnerjired a pen flare and the vehicle stopped. It then immediately accelerated again a n d Z Z T three well ^ T ^ h e s T e issued i Trifle into the engine compartmentJhe vehicle. The vehicle stopped. The convoy then continued with its mission. No ' personnel were injured or vehicle damaged.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, PM

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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3. The following table summarizes the results of the simulation study.

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## General Military/Civilian Experience

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Department of State's Diplomatic Security Service. Additionally, I received training in threat  
, shooting from a moving platform, operating  
^ S ^ ^ i ^ i S S K i S ^ a r a O T r » shoo, scenarios, and motorcade operations. 67E

## Incident

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Al Hillah, our team [fcrfnauctfecfalpxesmission.t)ri3f pn t b e : f e o f Engagement, the run sheets of all teams f h a t ^ o u l d be supporting during the day, and the most recent intelligence information. The intelligence specifically informed us of the current threat to our primary Area of Operation (AO.)

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m ThiTB'right white flaihing strobii and the words 'Warning, stay back 1100 meters" stenciled in white on the back of the vehicle in both English and Arabic. I was riding in the Right Rear position of the Counter Assault Vehicle, a position that I have performed in many times in the past.

### First Event:

ALHindiyah, Iraq in the vicinity of GRID [ ] a t 0915 hours<sup>lirp</sup>

The motorcade was static in traffic; I and the other door gunner were leaning out of our vehicle and giving hand and arm signals to the vehicles behind us to keep our protective bubble. The traffic was stopped back around a bend in the road 125 meters behind our veh.c e. A tax, was spotted going around traffic. The well gunner was using a high powered spot light to ensure drivers could see us. The other drivers in the road had headed this warning and already stopped. The taxi went past the other vehicles, at that time the well gunner launched a pen-flare at the vehicle and ca led pen-flare out. The taxi continued to advance at a high rate of speed heard three shots go out from the state department issued [7 ^ a n d saw them impact the grill of the vehicle. The vehicle continued to move towards us and I heard three more roundedI and saw the impacts of the rounds into the vehicle. The vehicle came to a stop roughly[ yards from the rear of our vehicle. I S n o t tell the status of the driver. I heard the well tell the CAV Commander shots.were fired and I heard the CAV commander call up to r ^ Z Z i s h i f t lead < \ that shots had been fired No ^ ~ > a m members were injured nor did any of our vehicles sustain any damage from the incident. We then continued on to venue.///END///

### Second Event:

Route [ in the vicinity of " T J 0 3 0 hours.

We had stopped the motorcade to meet up with [ ] and let them know why we had canceled the mission. The CAV was on the median with lanes on both sides of us. I was out of the CAV and covering from the three to the 6 of the lane with traffic flowing from the direction we had come from. The other door gunner was out of the vehicle covering the other lane with veh.c es comfng towards us from the other direction. I heard the other door gunner telling hem to stop and he fired a pen-flare and let us know he had launched one. Then I heard three shots from h s state dept issued! ,We then loaded back up and headed back to the REOJZ ^ notified b6 b7c the CAV commander^He shooting who then notified the Shift Leader. No! personal were injured or vehicles damaged in this incident.///END///

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Date     | 14 June 2007                       | Time | 1400 Hrs |
| Location | Regional Embassy Office, Al-Hillah |      |          |

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Upon successfully completing the vetting process, I deployed to the Regional

Embassy Office in Hillah. I have served my tour for \_\_\_\_\_ period, I have worked in every position in the Regional Embassy Office in Hillah. I have \_\_\_\_\_ for the site.

## INCIDENT

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I received the mission to Advance the Karbala GC in support of ZHZT who was transporting 3 DOS principals. The SL inquired as to whether I would be available to support his team since he was short staffed. I responded that I was available and had been in the area for several days. The SL gave me a pre-mission brief that included the routes we were using, actions planned on the venue, intelligence update, and the 'Permissible Uses of Deadly Force' brief.

We left Alnha Gate at approximately 0900 and traveled on the planned route towards Karbala. As we entered the outskirts of the small town that marks the approximate half way point between the city and the motorcade became stuck in traffic due to the ridges that must be negotiated to enter Al-Hindiya proper. With the motorcade approaching meters ahead of the CAV, traffic was complying with our commands. I heard and felt the rear PSS open their doors and begin direct fire at a taxi that did not appear to be slowing or stopping. I then heard the rear PSS shout that there was a sound of a pen flare being fired. The rear PSS shouted that the vehicle did not sound of a pen flare being fired. The rear PSS shouted that the vehicle did not stop and that he was going to fire again. I again heard the sound of a short burst of fire. The vehicle finally stopped. The CAV Commander sent a report via radio comms to the SL concerning the incident. About this time, the traffic Commander to cleared enough for the motorcade to continue, which we did. The SL continued to the venue without send a report to the RSO TOC in Hillah, which he did in the blind.

I left the Karbala GC after not gaining entrance to the venue. Communication with \_\_\_\_\_ was completely non-existent, so the SL and I decided to reverse our route so as to make physical contact with \_\_\_\_\_ Who was under way to the venue. Contact with \_\_\_\_\_ was made via radio. \_\_\_\_\_ eastbound led me to security halt once it was apparent that the vehicle was heading around. \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ ensued between the two teams. The LAV was seen us and turned around. \_\_\_\_\_

I was providing perimeter security around the CAV. \_\_\_\_\_ was stopped the median so we could stop traffic in the westbound lane. Traffic was complying with the stop sign. \_\_\_\_\_ stopped traffic in the westbound lane. I could hear a white truck shouting towards the white truck to stop. The LR PSS, who was driving the blue van, stopped until the white truck pulled around the blue van. All seemed OK until the white truck pulled around the blue van and entered the median and began to move. \_\_\_\_\_

white truck and the truck of my door window the LR PSS fired 3 rounds at the white truck. We returned to the Regional Embassy Office in the blind. Shortly thereafter, the SL and also on to the Regional Embassy Office in the blind. We returned to the Regional Embassy Office without further incident.//END//

Thereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Date<br>13 June 2007 | Time<br>Apprx 0900Z                                     |
| Location<br>Route    | in the vicinity of<br>Hindiyah, Iraq in the vicinity of |

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#### General Military/Civilian Experience

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Dn lime 2007 at approximately 0830 hours prior to departing Regional Embassy Office Al H H a h o u r t e a m F ^ Z D conducted a pre-mission brief on the Rules of Engagement, the run sheets of aN te^ns that w^Would be supporting during the day, and the most recent inteHigence ?rIS™ ion intelligence specifically informed us of the current threat to our primary Area of Operation (AO.)

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Incident 1:

Upon entering Al Hindiyah city limits [REDACTED] Motorcade was static, as we were waiting for traffic to clear the first small bridge heading east into downtown Al Hindiyah. I heard both right and left door gunners as well as the well gunner yelling 'Kiff' (Stop) to a vehicle approaching the rear of our motorcade. I then heard the well gunner say "pen flare out" and heard the flare fired. Next, I heard the well gunner state "he's not stopping". I then heard two bursts of three rounds from the [REDACTED]  
The well gunner said he had engaged [REDACTED] as well as the Hillah TOC on S r ^ s a a s b7c » r —

Incident 2:

At approximately 1030 hours while traveling back to the RED ^ J ^ ^ S Kar ^ : motorcade had to stop on route Warsaw [REDACTED] cancelled. Traffic was as our communications were poor and advise ^ ^ j ^ S U d a white Nissan pickup stopped in the west bound approaching at a high rate of speed. I observed me ran rear » [REDACTED] arm and [REDACTED] that there was a route SRSS S « ^ « a j r s ^ s s ^ ^ [REDACTED] route back to the REO in e an wanted to make sure we So our f n g this time I heard 3 shots fired and looked up to see the white Nissan pickup truck stopped. We then continued on back to the REO. ///END///

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## INCIDENT REPORT

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Date of Report: 11. V 1.. \*33^tula>2oS?" i

Location: Basrah REO, Iraq

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Task Order:

Person Releasing Report: Eddie Jones

Title of Person Releasing -Report: Guard Force Commander

Date of Incident: &\$iiie&07

Time of Incident- 2335 hrs.

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Detail Location-oIlncMent: Regional Embassy Office Compound

### Incident Synopsis:

At approximately 2335 the Basra Palace Compound Front Gate was attacked by unknown individuals using Small Arms Fire (SAF) from/ intersection approximately [^ degrees at ^] meters and another firing-point at degrees at meters. The front gate was manned by Peruvian Guards! } and

r 7 i each using an Jj Both guards fired approximately 40 rounds each. Once the guards returned fire the intbrmng fire ceased. No Guard Force personnel were injured during the exchange of fire and it was uncertain if any attackers were injured. During the exchangebgun fire the generator light set in front of the gate was hit and set on ire. Hie fire was exfeguislied by fee guard force once the area was secure. The American Shift Supervisor on duty at the front gate was!

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Supervisor Actions {© 1 e g a t e Adverse Actions or todirde feoccuFrence;  
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Personnel! Notified of l a p << USO, TC PM

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: None

Additional Reports Generated: None

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**Date of Report:** 13 Jun & 07

**Location:** Bisia S^REO, [raqi. j \ [ : : : : : : : : ]

**Task Order:** "007

**Person Releasing Report:** Thomas Woodyard

**Title of Person Releasing Report:** Project Manager

**Date of Incident:** 13 June 07

**Time of Incident:** Approx. 2112 hours

**Contractor Involved:** Triple Canopy, Inc.

**Detail Location of Incident:** U.S. Embassy Compound

**Incident Synopsis:** On 13 June 07, at approximately 2112 hours, the Basrah Embassy Compound began receiving Indirect Fire. The compound warning system was then activated and Duck and Cover was sounded. Accountability of all personnel was taken. Three launches and three impacts were reported. One impact was reported in Zone a approximately 15 meters from j resulting in a T-3 casualty. One impact was reported in Zone One. One impact was reported out of the compound in the river. The Point of Origin (POO) was observed in the vicinity of [ZI       ] (At 2139, three more launches and impacts were reported. All impacts were outside of the compound to the south by southwest. The POO was observed in the vicinity of       ) b7e, f

100% accountability was complete at 2123.

Clearance operations of Zone        began at 2149 and were completed at       

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**Outline injuries if applicable:** The TCN received bruising on his left mid-clavicular area and a shrapnel wound to the left side of the neck. He was classified as a T-3.

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:** Regional Security Officer, Triple Canopy Project Manager

**Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident:** None

**Additional Reports Generated:** Ncrp

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Date of Report:

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Location:

Basrah REO, Iraq

**Task Order:**

Person Releasing Bepori: Eddie Jones - GFC

Title of Person i&amp;eleasiug Report: TC Fix Site Supervisor

Date of Sncideat:

14 June 2007

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**Incident Synopsis:**At approximately 1 « , Toweii, reported AK-47&e Mm 1 steter  
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took cover and then returned fire at the shooter with 4 rounds from Ms

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OutMne inj»ms if applicable: None

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| Blackwater USA                                 | Statement Form                      | i S g I       | " f ^ l o o f Y State<br>SB 3 | " " " " " 2 0 0 ^ S m " " " |
| Name                                           | b6<br>3                             | J.S?m         | incident Type                 |                             |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain Feature) | W P P S Camp Baghdad Let Gate 2 . ^ | Incident Time | Incident Date                 | 19 Jun 2007                 |

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At 1930 on 19 Jun 07, the International Zone received several rounds of IDF with one round impacting the WPPS Camp Baghdad parking lot outside. Upon the initial IDF siren sounding, SG' sounded the Alert 1 and gave a verbal announcement on the Camp PA system to take cover. After several rounds continued to impact around the IZ, one round struck a Department of State (DoS) suburban which was parked in the front parking lot between [ ] The vehicle, [ ] is assigned to the Ambassador's Protection Detail (APD). The impact caused catastrophic damage to the vehicle. Additionally damage was received to the vehicle [ ] which was parked next to the above listed vehicle. (See attached photos of vehicle damage by GP#).

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One Columbian guard, [ ] received minor injury from the percussion of the IDF. [ ] was checked out by the Blackwater medical and placed on 24 hour light duty. The impact site around the damaged vehicle was and taped off and secured until EOD, Fire Department and HAZMAT cleared the area. A follow on search was conducted of the North and South sections of the Camp for UXO, none was found within the WPPS Camp Baghdad. At [ ] all clear was given, all outside supporting agencies already cleared, cleaned and removed all the hazards from the impact site. ///END///

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U.S. Embassy Baghdad

June 19, 2007

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### SPOT REPORT - 061907-04

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REPORTING OFFICE: RSO Basrah, Iraq

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**SUMMARY:** On June 19, 2007 at approximately 1400 hours, Triple Canopy (TC)       , Z~ I        J on Post River Watch contacted the acting RSO reference the activity of a small wooden boat with two individuals that were ignoring the directions to leave the vicinity of the Basrah Palace compound shoreline. TC        T        J explained that this pair has been a reoccurring problem for the past few weeks, each time testing how close they can get to the Palace compound. TC<sup>1</sup>        f fired a flare in the direction of the pair in the boat to get there attention, however they ignored it and continued to advance towards the concertina wire (approximately 3 feet from the Palace compound shoreline). TC<sup>1</sup>        then asked the acting RSO for permission to stop the threat from advancing; the acting RSO said yes. When the boat was approximately two feet from the Palace shoreline, the TC        placed 3 well aimed rounds from his/ " I rifle into the boats side. The boat immediately departed east, away from the shore, finally turning north, towards the city of Basrah. There were no casualties.

**RSO ACTION:** Acting RSO debriefed with TC<sup>i</sup> jaUhe Post River Watch as to the circumstances enctfuntfreii;.a2 wei! asjfaviflgjtjei..... an Incident Report of the situation tBaf ctecuirScfi. RSd) cohtofteSdiBaghfiad SSctical Operations Center (TOC) immediately upon returning from Post River Watch, referencing the incident. Because this was the 7<sup>th</sup> time this boat crew was maneuvering around the same location this past month, and with the recent intelligence . I }  
} j the acting RSO strongly recommends!

DRAFTED BY: Peter Picone, Acting RSO Basrah

APPROVED BY: Ricardo Colon, DRSO Baghdad

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## INCIDENT REPORT

*This report may be in addition to DS SPOT reporting*

Date of Incident: 1<sup>st</sup> June 2007

Location: Basrah REO, Iraq

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Title of Person Releasing Report: Team 51

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Date of Incident: 1<sup>st</sup> June 2007

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~aEd Kon river watch called me on the radio to mformwe o fa re-occumng problem with Wpersomiel m a sm^I W e n boat. The two men approach from tower" utderthe blue pipe Mdge and move along the U.S.shore line inbetween the rodsikiTe water (approximately 15 yards) i a d the shore all way «p to the UvN. building, Sese M e a t s ase listed below. I arrived atiiver watch with i as spotter, ^ J fired one pen flare atths direction of the b^app W j o e a s w w a m & e U M . and 2 f e e t M M n ignored the fi^aé! «^» from a! rifle into the boat between the two men. ASSp ^J ^e d our shots via radio. When the boat was ^ a r d s and liirec feet from the shore, I mc in^etween the concerna wire (which waspi^mihe waier to reduce access to the shore of the compound) and the shore I fired the first round. The first round impacted the boat mid ship one foot above waterline. I waited to see if they would turn away. Hie men appeared to ignore the shot as they waved to river watch. At that time a second and third round was fired. Both rounds impacted amidshipsoftheboat at the waterline. Thetwoenlten sorted up the Cü&ard M m a moved. dim\*tly\*way apm the shorelo^eââtaçross the river, &en BOI& towards the city of Basra,

É w o i » ; Th^Mwtewwrtfcjfti-the same two men in the same boat g.j Q7 at 1548] " J and, \_ nrea z hares ai me boatnear the shore, they diduotoove, and then fired 2 ~ " j o m d s , boat slowly moved-away.

7-June-07 at 1517 same ^o ^ ^ p i p a c h e d the I W on ^S o C S I p r e , fixed 1 pen flare, boat did not move, then 1 Jround was fired, boat left area.

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8-June-07 at 1507 boat with two.menton south shore in-between wireIn water and shore line, fired 1 flare after yelling at them, they left.

3-June-07 at 1301 boat on south shore in-between wire a n d shore iine approached river

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watch, 1 flare was fired, boat left.

29-May-07 at 1902 boat was spotted near shore about f<sup>7</sup> out, 1 pen flare was fired, b<sup>7</sup> £," approx 2 mill passed, now boat was<sup>1</sup> one more flare fired, boat left.

23-May-07 at 052kBo\$Wap]3soacled shble iine, fe£d!! pen fferScdiaSt respond, 2nd flare was fired and boat left.

Iacidcmi Synopsis: On 19 June 2007,

Outline injuries if 3ppilk&lt;>le: None to local nationals or to L.S. coaffion forces.

Personnel Notified of Incident: ARSO,"land Shift Lead" yj,

Supervisor syaopsisoFlocalimpactoffiacsdest: N/A bit,

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Date of Report: 21 June 07

Location: {

## Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

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Date of Incident: 21 Jun 07

Time of Incident: 0826

Contractor Involved: Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: IVO'

**Personnel Involved:**

Incident Synopsis^ On 21 Jun 2007, at 0826, [ ] a PSD team in-route to MO Oil, was in the vicinity of^ \_\_\_\_\_. Traveling north when a white pickup aggressively approached the motorcade from the rear. The driver of the vehicle failed to obey several verbal and visual warnings to stop. In an escalation of force, the well gunner of the follow vehicle fired three (3) , jrounds from his^ J rifle with the rounds impacting the grill area causing the vehicle to immediately stop. There were no apparent injuries to the occupant of the white pickup, no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. Immediately following the escalation of force, IPs in the area locked down the intersection causing all traffic to come to a stop. As a result of the stopped traffic [ ] was forced to maneuver to alternate routes in order to proceed to their venue. At no time was the team directly held up or stopped by the IPs. The team continued to their venue without further incident.

Outline injuries if applicable: None

**Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence:** N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

**Additional Reports Generated:** DOS Spot Report.

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## REPORT OF INVESTIGATION

| DS Case Number | Case Title                   | ROI Type                  | Report Date |
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| RS-2007-00265  | 20070621 Escalation of Force | CASE FINAL                | 21-JUN-07   |
| Case Type      | Program                      | Dates Investigated        |             |
| ADMINISTRATE   | REGIONAL SECURITY            | 21-JUN-07 -               |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status                  | Open/Close Case Dates     |             |
|                | CLOSED                       | 02-Sep-2007 - 02-Sep-2007 |             |

On Thursday June 21st, 2007, I was advised by personnel in the RSO TOC that one of the Chief of Mission (COM) Personal Security Details (PSD) had fired two! rounds at a vehicle during an escalation of force incident. 4,7 E, P

When the team finished it?s duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:

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and [REDACTED] who were both in well gunner positions in the follow car and the only two to fire their weapons, told me the following: While traveling to a venue with three proteetees on a 4 lane divided roadway the motorcade had to slow for an Iraqi Army Check Point. While waiting to pass, traffic on the roadway had stopped approximately 50 meters behind the motorcade. The motorcade was marked with warnings in English and Arabic to stay back and they had been using air horns and lights and sirens to indicate to traffic the need to yield. PSD members were additionally giving usual and audible signals to drivers indicating the need to yield.

At the time of the shooting a white 4-door truck with one male occupant began to weave in and out between the stopped vehicles behind the motorcade. The well gunners watched at the vehicle eventually broke from the stopped traffic along the night side curb.

When the vehicle broke from traffic, Jired one pen flare at the vehicle to warn the driver to stop. The pen flare struck the hood and bounced over the vehicle, but the driver still did not stop. As the vehicle continued to approach the road there was not time or distance to deliver further warnings. [REDACTED] fired one three to four round burst from his(-) into the front grille of the suspect vehicle. The vehicle suddenly swened to the left and stopped under its own power. The drver exited the vehicle and proceeded to leave the area on foot. He did not appear injured, but the PSD members were unable to confirm his condition. The team then continued on its mission without incident. U 6

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details. This use offeree incident is within the DS Embassy Baghdad Use of Force policy.

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| Reporting Official:       | v                | Mistrubutin:* |
| Hammond, Kory H           | [REDACTED]       | [REDACTED]    |
| ARSO                      | Jun-21 -07 00:00 | [REDACTED]    |
| Approving Official(s):    |                  |               |
| Hammond, Kory H- APPROVED |                  |               |
| ARSO                      | Aug-25-07 10:26  |               |

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| Blackwater USA                                   | Statement Form     |                                    | Date/Time of Statement<br>6-21-07 1300 hrs |
| Name _____<br>SL                                 | Team _____<br>b-25 | Incident Type<br>Shoot to Disable  |                                            |
| Location Of Incident (Grid or Terrain FSS) _____ |                    | E I. In^JeJtTimj J<br>p iAPPT^P^P* | Incident Date<br>21 June 2007              |

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### Incident Report BW 06-21-07 (1) Weapons Discharge Baghdad

On 21 June 2007, \_\_\_\_\_ was tasked with a mission to move 3 Principals to the Ministry of Oil, T support of \_\_\_\_\_ Mission planning was done on 20 June 2007 and a full Mission Brief was conducted by \_\_\_\_\_ Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_, to all PSS Personnel at 1700 on 20 June 2007. During the brief it was explained that \_\_\_\_\_ would be operating in conjunction with \_\_\_\_\_ and would be conducting a Vehicle Motorcade \_\_\_\_\_ and would be carrying 3 Principals. The departure time (0815) was briefed as well as the RTB time (1130). The brief also included Vehicle Load Plan (see below for Follow, Vehicles Load Plan), j /Command, AIC Brief, Routes, Intelligence brief byf \_\_\_\_\_, Detail's imbedded intelligence analyst, intelligence analyst briefed that there was an increased threat of VBIED, IED, and insurgent activity along the planned routes. Also the communication Plan, Motorcade, S.O.P., Chief of Missions Use of Force and Rules of Engagement Policy were covered in the mission briefing.

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At approximately 0815, Air reconnoitered \_\_\_\_\_ Route and advised it was not the best option due to Military Operations just south ofj \_\_\_\_\_. Air advised the \_\_\_\_\_ Route looked clear and at that point the Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ notified the Tactical Operations Center (TOC) that \_\_\_\_\_ would be departing forj viaj \_\_\_\_\_ Route. f \_\_\_\_\_ Route was to exit Checkpoint \_\_\_\_\_ land head North East across Bridge^] throughP ^ \_\_\_\_\_ ~ \_\_\_\_\_, jmd into Venue. \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade consisted of ^ Chevy Suburbans. The lead and follow vehicles were operating with emergency lights and sirens activated in an attempt to alert traffic of the motorcades presence. The Follow vehicle has "DANGER stay-back 100 Meters" stenciled on the rear doors, in both English and Arabic.

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\_\_\_\_\_ was onj \_\_\_\_\_ Route approachingj \_\_\_\_\_ when the Motorcade slowed for an Iraqi Army Check Point. This check point is located on a 4 lane road divided by a raised concrete median in a business area^ of Baghdad. There was medium to heavy traffic in the area.

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The Motorcade" was at a complete stop as it waited to enter the Iraqi Army Checkpoint. P S S ^ \_\_\_\_\_ located in the well of the follow vehicle, began giving verbal and physical signals for approaching traffic to stop.' \_\_\_\_\_ observed a 4 door white pickup truck approaching the rear off \_\_\_\_\_ motorcade.' \_\_\_\_\_ also observed the white pick up truck was driven by a lone male that appeared to be of military age. The white truck was traveling toward the Motorcade in same lane that the motorcade was stopped in. It should be noted that all other traffic behind the Motorcade had stopped approximately 50 Meters behind the motorcade and were complying with' \_\_\_\_\_ verbal and visual commands to stay back from the motorcade.

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The white truck began weaving through the stopped traffic and then went around the other stopped vehicles. f \_\_\_\_\_ observed the suspect vehicle start accelerating towards the Motorcade. PSS' \_\_\_\_\_ located in the well of the follow vehicle also observed the suspect vehicle accelerating toward the motorcade. At this timef \_\_\_\_\_ fired 1 Pen Flare at the suspect vehicle. The pen flare struck the hood of the suspect vehicle which caused sparksto fly up onto the windshield of the vehicle. The suspect vehicle was now approximately' ^ meters away from the follow vehicle. The driver of the suspect vehicle disregarded visual and verbal couTiJiafitlS to stop!, £ yfcfl &<thfcjfert-fl&re; rtyit<tej i ^tnjck the vehicle.

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| Blackwater USA                                 | Statement Form |  | Unto/Time of Statement<br>6-21-07 1300 hrs |
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 The vehicle continued to accelerate towards the Motorcade. PSS „ ^ believed the vehicle was a U ^ VBIED and was in fear for the life of his principals, the lives of his teammates and himself! J med a controlled three round burst from his Department of State issued' — into thejvjlpf the suspect b7f, ^ vehicle in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The suspect vehicle was approximately meters in the rear of the motorcade. The suspect vehicle swerved to the right and came to a complete stop. > t c observed the driver of the suspect vehicle rapidly exit the vehicle and run back through the other stopped traffic, abandoning the suspect vehicle. The driver did not appear to be injured as he fled the scene.

r "Shift Leader notified the TOC of the incident./ ^ selected an alternate route and continued to venue with out further incident. Upon arriving on venue the Shift Leader the appropriate Chain of Command. //End Statement//

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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>21 June 2007   | Time<br>1300 |
| Location               |              |
| Vicinity of [redacted] |              |

I, J. [redacted], hereby make the following statement at the request of VIA. M. who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the

U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action including dismissal from the Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any formation or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements on information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

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I was hired by Blackwater USA as a Protective Security Specialist. I have successfully completed WPPS 1 and 2. I have received training on the use of firearms from a mobile platform.

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and shoot no shoot targets. After training I was deployed to Iraq and I am currently assigned to [REDACTED] F  
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At approximately 1700 hours, on 20 June 2007, I attended the premission brief for \$ [REDACTED] movement of principals on 21 June, 2007. The premission brief covered our mission for the following day, the routes we would be utilizing, the use of force per the mission policy, and the rules of engagement. Also our imbedded intelligence analyst briefed our team on possible threats in the area we would be operating. Intelligence stated there was an increase in Vehicle Borne Improvised Explosive Devices (VBIEDS), Improvised Explosive Devices (IED), and an increase in insurgent activity. We were advised on 19 June, insurgents had used a large VBIED to blow up a Shia Mosque located in close proximity to the venue we would be visiting.

On June 21, 2007 at approximate 0815 hours, our motorcade departed Checkpoint ^ enroute to our venue. We were traveling in a vehicle motorcade escorting three principals to the Ministry of Oil. Our motorcade was traveling with our emergency lights and sirens activated in an attempt to warn traffic of the motorcades presence. Additionally, the vehicle I was traveling in, the follow vehicle, has "Warning Stay Back 100 Meters" stenciled on the rear door. The warning is in both English and Arabic. r [REDACTED] and I were serving as the well observers in the follow vehicle. As we approached [REDACTED] "our motorcade slowed and stopped to gain access to an Iraqi Army checkpoint. J and I quickly stopped traffic roughly [REDACTED] meters behind the motorcade using various verbal and visual commands (i.e. hand and arm signals, lights, and the Iraqi/English sign on the rear of our vehicle that reads, "warning, stay back 100 meters). We were stationary for roughly 30 seconds, with traffic completely stopped, when [REDACTED] and I noticed a white four door truck working its way from behind the stationary vehicles. I observed the vehicle was driven by a single military aged Arabic male. The suspect vehicle came out of the traffic jam between the curb and the farthest left car. As soon as the truck cleared the traffic line, [REDACTED] used verbal commands and visual hand signals in an attempt to get the driver of the vehicle to stop. The suspect vehicle failed to stop and [REDACTED] deployed a pen flare directly into the vehicles hood. The driver of the suspect vehicle continued to disregard all of our attempts to get him to stop.

I believed the vehicle was a VBIED and was in fear for my life, our principals, and the lives of my teammates. I fired a three round burst from my issued [REDACTED] — [REDACTED] into the grill of the suspect vehicle in an attempt to disable the suspect vehicle. The driver immediately reacted and swerved off to the right side of the road. I observed the driver get out of the suspect vehicle and run away from the scene, abandoning his vehicle. He did not appear to be injured. My Shift Leader was sitting in the front seat of the follow vehicle, and I advised him that I had fired at the suspect vehicle in an attempt to disable the vehicle. We selected an alternate route, and continued to our venue without further incident. //END//

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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this day of June, 2007.

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| Signed  |                  |
| Printed | Karen M. Hammoud |

SPECIAL AGENT, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF STATE, DIPLOMATIC SECURITY SERVICE

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| Witness Signature |                                  |
| Printed           | Dr. <del>Is</del> d S. Farington |
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## Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>21 Jun 2007                 | Time<br>Approx 1300 hours |
| Location<br>WPPS CAMP Baghdad, Iraq |                           |

I, J. Hannon, hereby make the following statement at the request of Special Agent of the U S Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action ~~in connection with this Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, may be undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willingly~~ may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting therefrom may be used in ~~any investigation or proceeding, including but not limited to, any disciplinary action, including~~ which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

## General Military/Civilian Experience

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During WPPS training, I received further instruction in the use of small arms, shooting from a moving platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, use of force, and working as a member of a security detail. Since graduating from the WPPS Program, I have been working on WPPS contract in Iraq for the past year. During this time, I maintain qualification on the WPPS contract in areas such as shooting from a moving platform, identification of threats, and rules of engagement.

## Incident

In June 2007 at approximately 1700 hours, we conducted a pre-mission brief at the WPPS

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for 1 Detail. The brief further included a detailed Operations Order, the venue spec.f.cs, and any direct threats to the planned routes. The mission firearm policy and escalation of force, per Department of State Mission Firearm Policy, was also covered by our Shift Leader. It's mix' CnH1D pan or was reported that a large VBIED incident occurred within the past "two days in our area of operations.

At 0815 hours on the 21<sup>st</sup> of June 2007, my team iZHUh deParted thE "Tfj.0 A z?!?ni. IZ) and was responsible for the safe and secure transportation of 3 pr.nc.pals to the Ministry of Oil - (MOO). My position in the motorcade was^secondary Well Observed in thej : Veh.cle of a.i\_ vehicle motorcade. The follow vehicle of \_\_\_\_\_! motorcade is stenciled with the words "WARNING, Stay Back 100 Meters" in both English and Arabic. The lead and rear vehicles are equipped with emergency warning lights and sirens which are activated throughout the movement and especially at intersections.

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At approximately 0815 hours, our motorcade departed the IZ following our pre-planned route. Approximately 0830 hours, our motorcade arrived at a junction due to an Iraq. check point came to a complete stop in the intersection. The intersection is described as a four lane highway divided by a high curb median under an overpass.

After our motorcade stopped in the intersection ~~at~~ I noticed a white four door pickup truck aggressively weaving its way through the stopped traffic to our rear. As the pickup passed between the curb and the farthest left stopped vehicle and entered our established safe zone, I noticed the driver was the only occupant in the truck and appeared to be of military age. The vehicle continued direct ~~toward~~ our motorcade at which time I yelled and gestured towards the vehicle for it to stop. The suspect driver appeared to be looking right at me. When I noticed the vehicle was not stopping, I fired a ~~pen~~ flare at approximately ~~1~~ meters which impacted directly on the suspect vehicles hood. The resulting impact created smoke and sparks, which I believe should have been ~~far~~ <sup>519nafo</sup> ~~7h®~~ <sup>d"ΛeG</sup> ~~rto~~ stop, however the vehicle continued towards our motorcade at a high rate of speed. At this time, with the suspect vehicle at approximately ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ meters away and fast approaching, the ~~pmaj~~ well observer ~~1~~ fired a controlled 3 round burst from his State Department issued 1 I noticed the rounds from the burst impact the grill and hood area of the pickup. ~~lio~~ witnessed the truck immediately veer away from our motorcade and come to a controlled stop. After the pickup truck stopped, I observed the driver exit the vehicle and he appeared to be uninjured.

After the shoot to disable.' I left the area and continued with the mission without further incident. I heard my Shift Leader notify the RSO TOO of the shoe\*to disable. No f. personnel were injured during the incident nor were any) Vehicles damage37//END///





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I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this day of June, 2007.

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Date of Report: 26 June 07

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## Task Order: 6

Person Releasing Report: Anthony Sanganetti

Title of Person Releasing Report: RSO TOC Commander

Date of Incident: 26Jun07

Time of Incident: 0940

**Contractor Involved:** Blackwater

Detail Location of Incident: JVO.

**Personnel Involved:**

**Incident Synopsis:** On 26 Jun 2007, at \_\_\_\_\_ a TSS team in-route to the 1Z from the Iraqi Media Network Office \_\_\_\_\_ was in the vicinity off" jtraveling north when they were stopped at an Iraqi Police traffic control point. While the motorcade was stopped a moped maneuvered around stopped traffic and aggressively approached the motorcade from the rear. The driver of the moped failed to obey several verbal and visual warnings to stop. At the same time, the team started receiving SAF from an abandoned building to the left of the motorcade. Identifying a possible complex attack involving the moped and receipt of SAF and in an escalation of force, the well and right rear gunners of the follow vehicle each fired four (4) f\_\_\_\_pounds from theirV ^rifles causing the moped to immediately stop. There were no injuries to COM personnel and no damage to any COM assets or vehicles. The team evacuated the area and returned to the IZ without further incident.

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Outline injuries if applicable: None

Supervisor Actions to Mitigate Adverse Actions or Preclude Re-occurrence: N/A

Personnel Notified of Incident: RSO, HTP, BW SDL, Ops Chief

Supervisor synopsis of local impact of incident: N/A

Additional Reports Generated: DOS Spot Report.

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| RS-2007-00267  | 20070626, EOF by COM PSD | CASE FINAL                | 26-JUN-07   |
| Case Type      | Program                  | Dates Investigated        |             |
| ADMINISTRATE   | REGIONAL SECURITY        | 26-JUN-07 -               |             |
| Case Impact    | Case Status              | Open/Close Case Dates     |             |
|                | CLOSED                   | 02-Sep-2007 - 02-Sep-2007 |             |

S S S ^ ^ 26th 2007, I was advised by personnel in the RSO TOC that one of the Chief of Mission (COM) Personal during a n "APPROXIMATELY" incident.

When the team finished it's duties that day the individuals involved in the shooting responded to the RSO TOC where I interviewed them. Present during the interview were:



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and who were the only two to fire their weapons, told me the following: They said that while enroute to the Iraqi Media Center they were northbound on a 4-lane divided highway, which also had the lanes divided by "jersey barriers" to prevent traffic from changing lanes. The motorcade became stopped in traffic and was stationary between a hotel and a burned out, four-story building for one to two minutes. In front of them were what appeared to be Iraqi Army units which were not letting them pass. Behind them other Iraqi Security Forces had stopped traffic approximately 100 meters behind the motorcade at a T intersection and were preventing Nicles from approaching.

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While stopped, a moped style scooter suddenly appeared from the side street at the "T" intersection. The Iraqi Security Forces began to wave at the vehicle, running in front of it in an attempt to make him stop or otherwise yield to the motorcade. The driver maneuvered around the security forces and began to accelerate toward the rear vehicle. began to flash a spot light at the car while gave audible and visual signals (hands and yelling "kif!") but the moped continued to approach the motorcade. When it was approximately meters from the rear vehicle, both and each fired two rounds from their rifles, aiming at the front wheel of the moped. The believe all rounds struck and the moped continued forward for another 15 meters, wobbled, then tipped over.

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Almost simultaneously the motorcade began to receive several bursts of automatic gunfire from an unknown location within the burned out building. The gunfire began to ricochet off the ground around the motorcade, but the team members were unable to determine exactly where it was coming from. By this time the team leader had given the order to reverse the motorcade out of the attack site. While doing so they passed the moped and driver, who was laying motionless on the ground (it is unknown if he was injured or lying motionless for some other reason).

The team left the site and returned to the international zone. There were no injuries to Chief of Mission personal and no damage to property.

It should be noted that there have been a number of reports indicating the use of motorcycles and mopeds as Improvised Explosive Devices. For further information or details please contact RSO Baghdad.

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| Reporting Official:    | Hammond, Kory H           | District/Unit:  |
| Hammond, Kory H        | ARSO                      | Jun-26-07 00:00 |
| Approving Official(s): | Hammond, Kory H- APPROVED |                 |
| ARSO                   | Aug-25-07 10:29           |                 |

The shooting was reported immediately to the RSO TOC. See team member statements for further details, "mis use of force incident is within the DS Embassy Baghja\$ Use offorcs poliy; # # 031415307030

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| Blackwater USA                                                                     | After Action Report (AAR)                   |      |      | BLACKWATER<br>v w y                                             | Date/Time of Statement<br><b>26 June 2007/1330 hrs</b> |
| Name                                                                               | U6<br>1 b7C                                 | Team | .. . | Situation<br><b>Shoot to Disable / Shoot to stop the Threat</b> |                                                        |
| Location/Venue                                                                     | m m a i n f O c a n t S . J J .<br>0940 hrs |      |      | Date occurred<br><b>26 June 2007</b>                            |                                                        |
| Approximately 100 meters <del>JtoE th.of</del><br>Adjacent to the Al Monsour Hotel |                                             |      |      |                                                                 |                                                        |

### Incident Report BW 06-26-07 (1) Weapons Discharge Baghdad

On June 26, 2007 at 0900 hours I conducted a pre-mission brief. I was tasked with conducting a Technical Site Survey of the Iraqi Media Center located at T. The pre-mission brief included an intelligence brief by imbedded intelligence analyst.

Migence Te potli^o explained that in the past week there have been two significant attacks in area of operations. The first attack was against Coalition Forces in the area of the Iranian Embassy and on June 25, 2007 a suicide bomber attacked the lobby of the Al Monsour Hotel. pre-mission brief covered the Department of State Use of Force Policy/ Rules of Engagement and all team members that would be traveling on the mission were briefed. The Use of Force brief covered use of force options, escalating levels of force, shooting to disable, and shooting to stop the threat if lower levels of force have failed or would likely fail to stop the threat.

At approximately 0930 hours I departed checkpoint<sup>1</sup> jinaf "vehicle motorcade in the following configuration? bas traveling with the vehicle's emergency lights and sirens activated in an attempt to warn traffic of the motorcades presence. With coordination through the RSO Tactical Operation Center (TOC) and RSO Air pilots, RSO Air covered Jas the team moved to the venue. RSO Air conducted an air reconnaissance off routes, and on air's r e c o m m e n d a t i o n j utilized their primary route to the venue. traveled north on Haifa Street and passed through the intersection of I encountered an Iraqi Military Checkpoint approximately 100 meters north of

The checkpoint was manned by Iraqi soldiers that were utilizing a swing arm metal spike strip attached to rollers and 1 military style HMMWV. The HMMWV had a gunner in the vehicle's turret and the soldier was armed with a PKM automatic rifle. The checkpoint also contained jersey style barriers that transformed Haifa Street from a 4 lane paved roadway to one north bound lane with a checkpoint, one south bound lane, and one entry control point lane for the Al Monsour Hotel. The checkpoint caused the motorcade to stop in between the Al Monsour Hotel on the right and a multiple storied abandoned building to the left. I was located in the north bound lane awaiting clearance by the Iraqi Military to proceed. L was stationary at this checkpoint for approximately 2 minutes while all other traffic to the front of the motorcade had been allowed to pass through the checkpoint. There was also an Iraqi soldier in the roadway, at the intersection of I that had stopped all traffic from the back of the motorcade. I Tactical Commander [communicated to the motorcade that there was no apparent reason why the Iraqi Army was not allowing the motorcade to pass. He relayed that they were denying the motorcade access, and that the Iraqi with the PKM was pointing his muzzle at the lead vehicle's windshield.

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[ ] well position, [ ] advised that an Iraqi male on a motor scooter had failed to stop at the intersection of [ ] and the driver had ignored the attempts of the Iraqi soldier trying to stop him. The follow vehicle has "Warning-Stay Back 100 meters" stenciled on the back doors. The warning is in both Arabic and English. The follow vehicle is also equipped with emergency strobe lights that are activated through the vehicle's rear lights. [ ] utilized the team issued two million candlepower spotlight to visually signal the driver of the scooter to stop. The right rear passenger of the follow vehicle, [ ] opened his door and gave visual hand signals and verbal commands to the male on the scooter to stop, [ ] repeatedly yelled, "Kiff, Kiff, Kiff", which is stop in Arabic. The scooter driver ignored all verbal and visual signals from the follow vehicle.

Based on previous intelligence reports, [ ] and [ ] knew of previous attacks on coalition forces, where scooters or motorcycles have been packed with explosives and detonated near motorcades. I [ ] and [ ] believed the scooter was a Vehicle Borne Explosive Devices (VBIED). Fearing for their lives and the lives of their teammates, [ ] and [ ] fired their weapons at the scooter in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The scooter swerved to the right and continued to accelerate towards our motorcade. Simultaneously, as [ ] engaged the scooter, the motorcade was engaged by automatic gunfire. [ ] advised the motorcade was taking contact from the left. [ ] stated he had heard the rounds impacting just to the right of the convoy. An abandoned multiple storied building was directly to the left of the motorcade and appeared to be the origin of the incoming fire. The suspect driver continued advancing towards the motorcade despite all warnings and disabling shots fired, combined with the contact the motorcade was receiving from the left, it was consistent with tactics used by insurgents to engage coalition forces in complex attacks. Therefore, [ ] fired again to stop the threat. The scooter stopped and all forward aggression by the scooter to the motorcade ceased.

Due to the Iraqi HMMWV blocking the motorcades forward progress, and the jersey barriers on both sides of the roadway, [ ] was forced to reverse out in an attempt to break contact. As [ ] reversed out of the area, PSS [ ] observed an older blue vehicle, which had been occupied, was now abandoned. [ ] also observed there were numerous bullet holes in the vehicle. The blue vehicle had been stopped on the left side of [ ] motorcade at the beginning of the contact. Based on the damage to the vehicle, it confirmed that the attack had been carried out from the left side of [ ] motorcade. [ ] aid noj engage the blue vehicle, therefore the bullet holes came from the incoming fire that [ ] received from the abandoned building. [ ] Shift Leader) [ ] notified the RSO TQC of the situation, enemy activity, and the team's intent to return to the International Zone. [ ] burned around in the intersection jgf [ ] where they linked up with Tactical Support] [ ] (and returned to checkpoint without further incident.) [ ] Detail Leader, [ ] was notified of the incident. No personnel were injured and no vehicles were damaged. Due to the break in contact and evacuation of the area the status of the suspect was unknown and unverifiable.-END-

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Sworn Statement

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| Date<br>26 June 2007   | Time<br>Approximately 1330 Hours |
| Location               | t                                |
| WPPS Camp Bagdad, Iraq |                                  |

I,                          <sup>b6</sup> W<sup>c</sup> hereby make the following statement at the request of

\ who has been identified to me as a Special Agent of the U.S. Department of State, Diplomatic Security Service. I understand that this statement is made in furtherance of an official administrative inquiry regarding potential misconduct or improper performance of official duties and that disciplinary action, including dismissal from the Department's Worldwide Personnel Protective Services contract, maybe undertaken if I refuse to provide this statement or fail to do so fully and truthfully. I further understand that neither my statements nor any information or evidence gained by reason of my statements can be used against me in a criminal proceeding, except that if I knowingly and willfully provide false statements or information, I may be criminally prosecuted for that action under 18 United States Code, Section 1001. I agree that the statements I furnish and any information or evidence resulting there from may be used in the course of disciplinary proceedings, which could result in disciplinary action, including dismissal.

General Military/Civilian Experience

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I attended Blackwater Security Consulting WPPS II Course in                          and then the p Course in                          I was extensively trained in the Standard Operating Procedures ahd~DepartmentofState'Policies concerning the role of the [ \_ in a Protective Security Detail, shoot / no shoot scenarios, shooting from a moving platform and escalation of force. I deployed Qraqq.v^lafkwater as a [ \_ I am currently my second contract with Blackwater as a [ \_ <sup>b6 b7c</sup>

## Incident

On June 26<sup>th</sup> 2007, at 0900, [redacted] staged and conducted an operational brief for the day's mission. Our mission was conducting a Technical Site Survey (TSS) on the Iraqi Media Network. The mission brief was in accordance with [redacted] standard operating procedures and covered Department of States rules of engagement. The intelligence portion was briefed by our team intelligence analysis [redacted]. The brief highlighted venue and route specific threats of direct and indirect fire, as well as possible and multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device). This mission required us to leave the safety of the U.S. Military-controlled International Zone and travel through a part of Baghdad where para-military / insurgent forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct terrorist and guerrilla operations. Attacks on Coalition forces are common in this area.

I was assigned to the left rear PSS position of follow vehicle in a [". vehicle motorcade. Our motorcade consisted of [redacted] Our motorcade was traveled northbound from [redacted] (Checkpoint\* [redacted] and continued north through [redacted]. Our motorcade was stopped at an Iraqi Checkpoint approximately 100 meters north of [redacted]. We were located between the Al Monsur Hotel and a five story abandoned building. I observed a blue car with one Iraqi male in the driver seat, just to the left of our follow vehicle. The vehicle was stopped and the male driver showed me a rosary with a Christian cross. He did not appear to be a threat to our motorcade and the vehicle appeared to be in good condition. Our follow vehicle, utilizing verbal commands and visual signals had established a [redacted] foeter standoff distance of all traffic to the rear of our motorcade. An Iraqi soldier wearing a green uniform stepped in front of the stopped traffic helping to assist in keeping the traffic back.

We had been stopped at the checkpoint for approximately 2 minutes, when a military aged Arabic male on a moped came around the corner from the main intersection at a high rate of speed. The Iraqi soldier motioned for the male on the moped to stop, but the driver of the moped ignored the soldier's commands. I heard the well gunner and the right rear door position in my vehicle, giving loud and repeated verbal commands for the moped to stop. Both were also giving hand signals for the driver of the moped to stop. The well position, PSS! Whined a two million candle power spotlight directly at the moped; the driver continued to ignore our signals and continued to approach the follow vehicle at a high rate of speed. Our vehicle has "Warning Stay back 100. meters" stenciled on the rear doors. The warning is written in both Arabic and English. Despite of the warnings given, the suspect driver continued to advance on our motorcade. His actions were consistent with tactics used by insurgents to attack coalition motorcades. Recent intelligence specifically warned of motorcycles and mopeds being used to attach explosives to motorcade vehicles or said vehicles being VBIEDs themselves. The moped was a clear threat to our motorcade and I was in fear of my life and the lives of my team mates. As the driver of the moped continued to accelerate towards our motorcade, the well position and right rear door position shot to disable the vehicle. As soon as I heard the shots, we immediately received several bursts of automatic gunfire from the left side of the road. I could see and hear the impacts of the incoming rounds hitting the ground around our vehicle. As I was trying to locate the source of the incoming gunfire, the order to reverse out was given in an attempt to break contact. The Well position subsequently stopped the advancing moped threat as I continued to scan my sector trying to locate the incoming gunnies. OY&continued to revetsa oui until v^werg able to turn around near

[redacted] At this time the \*Tarii\*cäl SupfWrt Teärrr{TS\*0 [redacted] "arWeçfänd locked down the b7E,F  
"intersection and assisted in our safe entry back to checkpoint [redacted]. We entered checkpoint<sup>1</sup> V without further incident. I was later informed by some of my teammates that as they passettfie blue car that I previously mentioned, the drivers' side door was wide open, the windows were shot out and bullet holes covered the side of the vehicle. My Shift Leader contacted the RSO Tactical Operations Center (TOO) and informed them of the situation. No personnel from [redacted] were injured during the incident and no [redacted] vehicles were damaged during the incident.///END///

I hereby swear or affirm that the information contained in this statement is the truth to the best of my knowledge.

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| Signed            | [redacted] |
| Printed           | [redacted] |
| Address           | [redacted] |
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Subscribed and sworn to before me on this 27th day of June, 2007.

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| Signed  | [redacted]      |
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| Date<br>26 June 2007                    | Time<br>Approximately 1330 Hours |
| Location<br><br>WPPS Camp Baghdad, Iraq |                                  |

i, \_\_\_\_\_ b6 b7c hereby make the following statement at the request of

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General Military/Civilian Experience

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I was hired by Blackwater USA. I attended and successfully passed the Blackwater WPPS^2 program. During this training I learned standard operating procedures and Department of State policies to successfully perform as a Protective Security Detail member. I received training in the use of force, rules of engagement, shooting from a moving platform, shoot/no shoot scenarios, and operating as a member of a protective security detail. After successful completion of the program I was deployed to Iraq for a contract. While deployed I was assigned to the team in Ouse to support Sajjad. I also conducted PSD movements.

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with principals in the green and red zone. In <sup>^</sup>Iraq, deployed to ITSafIndad, Iraqin direct support of the US State Department Mission in Iraq. I am currently assigned to

## Incident

On June 26th 2007, at 0940 hours, we staged and conducted a pre-mission brief for the day's mission. Our Site Survey OSS) on the Iraqi Media Network.

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The Shift Leaders' brief was conducted in accordance with standard operating procedures and included the Department of State rules of engagement. I briefed the intelligence portion and highlighted venue and route specific threats of concern and "direct fire" as well as possible and multiple VBIED's (vehicle borne improvised explosive device). The mission required us to leave the relative safety of the U.S. Military-controlled International Zone and travel through a part of Baghdad where para-military / insurgent forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct terrorist and guerrilla operations. Attacks on American military and civilians are common in this area.

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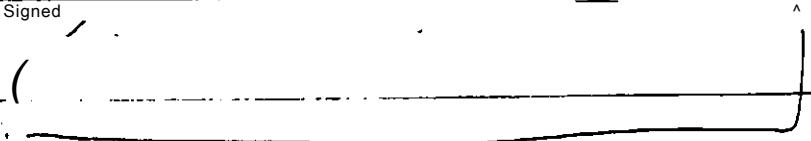
On June 26th 2007, at 0940 hours, we were in route to the Iraqi Media Network when we were halted at a control point. We were stopped by Iraqi Guards who were stopping traffic from our rear. An Iraqi soldier in a green uniform had stepped in front of the stopped traffic to assist in keeping them back. As the traffic was holding up, a fast moving moped entered into the street from the main road approximately 100 meters away. The Iraqi soldier tried to signal for the moped to stop but the soldier ignored him and continued towards our follow vehicle. I cracked my door and signaled for the moped to stop by using hand and arm signals and loudly yelling for the driver to stop. Additionally, my vehicle has "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the rear doors. The warning is written in both Arabic and English. The driver disregarded all of my visual and verbal commands to stop, and continued towards our motorcade. With prior intelligence of insurgents using mopeds or motorcycles as VBIEDs, I quickly recognized the driver's actions as a threat and was in fear for my life and the lives of my fellow team members. I fired two well placed rounds at the front tire of the moped in an attempt to disable the vehicle. The driver immediately swerved to the side. As I was engaging the threat, I immediately heard a burst of automatic gun fire and heard rounds impacting around our vehicle. I closed my door and called out "cover" to alert everyone in our vehicle of the general direction of the threat. I lost visual of the moped as we began to reverse out. I heard another burst of automatic gun fire, and more rounds impacting near our vehicle. When we reversed out, the Tactical Support Team (TST) had us stop with our motorcade and shut down the intersection allowing us to get all personnel from the vehicle. We drove back towards the International Zone with the TST providing support. We entered checkpoint without further incident. Sh. ft. Lead J contacted the RSO Tactical Operations Center (TOC) and informed them of the incident. No personnel from the vehicle were injured during the incident. The status of the suspect driver was unknown. //

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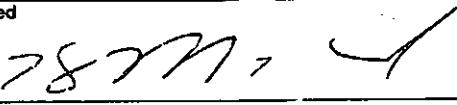
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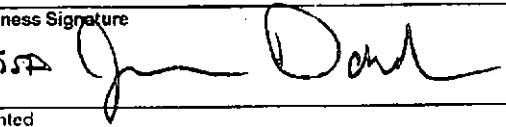
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| Printed | K.M. Hammons                                                                      |

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## General Military/Civilian Experience

I attended Blackwater Worldwide Personal Protection Service 2 (WPPS 2) training in [REDACTED] I received training in weapons, threat assessment, target recognition, shoot / don't shoot scenarios' and shooting from a moving platform to the Department of State standard. I am currently assigned to'. \_\_\_\_ J|in Baghdad.

## Incident

On June 26<sup>th</sup> 2007, at 0900 hours, ! staged and conducted an operational briefing for the day's mission of conducting a Technical Site Survey (TSS) on the Iraqi Media Network. The brief was conducted in accordance with standard operating procedures and included the overall situation in Baghdad, mission brief, use of force per the mission firearms policy, and rules of engagement. The intelligence weighted venue specific threats of

direct and indirect fire, a SVefl\*as possible an&J multiple V&ltD's^vfettcliOJome improvised explosive device). Additionally, the team has been briefed on the use of motorcycles and moped's as VBIED's or to deliver magnetic explosive charges to the sides of vehicles. This mission required us to leave the relative safety of the U.S. Military-controlled International Zone and travel for several kilometers through a part of Baghdad where Para-military / insurgent forces hostile to the U.S. presence in Iraq routinely conduct terrorist and guerrilla operations. Attacks on American military and civilians are prevalent in this area.

On June 26<sup>th</sup> 2007, at approximately 0935 hours, \_\_\_\_\_ Was stopped approximately 100 meters north of \_\_\_\_\_ was traveling northbound, when we encountered an Iraqi vehicle \_\_\_\_\_ checkpMthat stopped our motorcade from passing. Our motorcade consisted of \_\_\_\_\_ } Our motorcade was traveling with emergency lights and sirens activated in an attempt to alert traffic of the motorcades presence. While stopped, from my view point as follow vehicle well PSS, I observed all rear traffic was halted at a safe distance approximately 100 meters to the rear of our convoy. The follow vehicle has "Warning stay back 100 meters" stenciled on the rear doors. The warning is in both English and Arabic. The follow vehicle is also equipped with emergency strobe lights that are activated through the vehicles' rear lights. In the intersection of \_\_\_\_\_ an Iraqi military age male, dressed in green camouflaged, was controlling traffic to our rear. I observed the Iraqi in green camouflage waving his hands towards someone coming from a side street, attempting to stop them. At that time I saw a black moped with one military aged male driver, bypass the uniformed Iraqi Officer at a high rate of speed turning towards our convoy. I immediately started to flash the 2 million candle power spot light directly at the black moped while giving the hand signal to stop. I announced loudly alerting the left and right door positions of a fast approaching moped and a possible threat. The black moped was still not obeying any of our commands or warnings and continued to approach at a high rate of speed. The moped was approaching very quickly when I transitioned from the spot light to my<sup>1</sup> rifle while alerting the left and right door positions that the vehicle was not stopping despite all warnings given to the driver. I then identified the suspect vehicle as a possible VBIED and direct and imminent threat to our motorcade. I was in fear for my life and the lives of my teammates. I then fired 2 well-aimed rounds from my \_\_\_\_\_ I into the front part of the moped in an attempt to disable the front tire. The moped swerved but the driver recovered and continued towards our motorcade. At that time I reassessed the situation and observed the moped was still advancing towards our motorcade and continued to pose a threat. I then fired 2 more well-aimed rounds into the front of the moped causing the driver of the moped to loose control and fall to the ground. Simultaneously, I heard numerous bursts of small arms fire and the sound of rounds impacting the ground extremely close to our vehicle. "Contact left" was sounded over our inter-team radio and our motorcade began to reverse out of the checkpoint in an attempt to break contact. At the p intersection of \_\_\_\_\_ we reconfigured our motorcade and proceeded back to Check Point'. My Shift Leader \_\_\_\_\_ contacted the RSO Tactical Operation Center (TOC) and informed them of the situation. We proceeded back-to the International Zone without further incident. Due to our quick evacuation of the area I was unable to determine the status of the suspect vehicle driver. No personnel from' \_\_\_\_\_ were injured during the incident.//END///

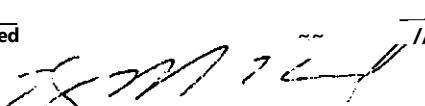
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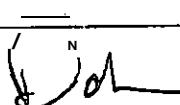
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 Location: Basrah REO, Iraq  
 Original Report Translated by: Mac

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Date of Incident:

30 June 2007

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Me on post at [ ] observed a launch

from an RM being fired toward the front gate at [ ] I immediately fired wth  
my d\ weapon to repel an additional attack**Injuries if applicable:**

None

**Personnel Notified of Incident:**

TCN Control

**Additional Reports Generated:**

FSS Incident Report

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**Time of Incident:**

23:35

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Name of ICN guard Involved:

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**Weapon Used:**

Estimated Diameter of shell fired: 40

Direction: degrees meters

Target zone/area

Suspected EPS Bring point

Prior Course of Action:

None



**Incident Synopsis:**

While on post at [REDACTED] observed a launch from RIG being fired toward the front gate at [REDACTED]. I immediately fled with my weapon to repel an additional attack.

**Injuries if applicable:**

None

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Additional Reports-Generated::

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 Target zone/area Sios^edtjed^P^r psxrat V  
 Frier Course of Action: None; dMn't have time

Incident-Synopsis: While on post at \_\_\_\_\_ observed a launch from an RiPG.heiiig fired toward the front fate ab\_\_\_\_ I immediately fired with myf \_\_\_\_\_ weaponQ^epel an aclditiQnal attack.

**Injuries if applicable:** None  
 Personnel Nolfiei-of Incident\* TCN Control  
 Additional Reports-Generated: FSS Incident Report

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# ENGAGEMENT REPORT

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Baie ©f Report: \$Wrypej0|fr  
Location: Basrah REO, Iraq  
Original Report Translated by: Mac

Baie of Incident: 30 June 2007  
Time of Incident: WEffii''  
Name of TCN guattì Involved: I - ~ j ) ^ b7c  
Beiaiî Location of Incideit^Ost: I - j  
Weapon Used:  
Estünaied number of shots fired: 40  
ffection/Plsiance from position: degrees! meters  
Target zone/area Suspected RPG firing point  
Prior Course of Action : Fired a pen flare at the suspected position

**Incident -Synopsis:** While on post at f j l observed a launch from an RPG being fired toward the frontgate aï 1. i immediately fined with my O weapon to repel an additional attack.

Injuries if applicable: None  
Personnel Notified of Incident: TCN Control  
Additional Reports Generated: FSS Incident Report

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