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We did not have someone assigned to walk the tier until around 2130 because someone is usually always out on the block. That day (b)(3) (b)(6) did the watch bill. I believe I was assigned to do my watch from (b)(2) Until my watch began I usually would be in the guard shack entering information into DIMMS. (b)(3) (b)(6)

At approximately 2030, the detainees began singing. They usually sing a few lyrics but that night they sung for 30-40 minutes. (b)(3) informed me that (b)(6) said they were singing an old Taliban death song. I made sure this incident was placed into DIMMS and an interpreter was called. The last time that I saw the three deceased detainees alive was approximately 2030 (b)(3) (b)(6)

The detainees had prayer around 2100 hours. To my knowledge no one performed a head count after prayer. The only time a head count occurs is at the beginning or at the end of a shift. The guards also perform a head count when they gain or lose a detainee from the block. Detainee Operations Center (DOC) orders three random headcount via the DIMMS system. This usually is for administrative purposes and no one physically goes out and performs a head count of each detainee. Who ever sees it pop up on the computer, usually performs it. I didn't log in any of the computerized DOC random head counts that night. (b)(3) (b)(6)

Between 2130-2200, I believe all of the detainees were in bed. I don't know exactly what I was doing but I know I was taking care of administrative functions. I was doing paperwork and updating the DIMMS. I also met with (b)(3) (b)(6) to discuss some of my DIMMS entries. I believe I was finished around 2300, then I went to chow. (b)(3) (b)(6)

I finished chow and reported back to Alpha block around 2345. My shift to walk the block was (b)(2) (b)(2) I relieved (b)(3) (b)(6) at 0000, and began my rounds of the cellblock. I didn't complete my rounds because (b)(3) (b)(6) stopped me and asked if I would trade shifts with him. I agreed to take the (b)(2) shift and (b)(3) took my shift (b)(2) I returned to the guard shack and drunk coffee. Approximately 15-30 minutes later, (b)(3) came into the guard shack and asked me to come take a look at one of the cells. I left (b)(3) (b)(6) in the guard shack and followed him to cell A8. (b)(3) (b)(6)

Once I arrived at A8, I saw the mattress was curled against the cell wall. The mattress concealed the detainee and we couldn't properly see that he was moving. It appeared like the detainee was lying under his blue blanket motionless. I started calling A8, but he did not respond. I started calling his ISN number and he still wouldn't respond. I went to the guard shack at that time to get (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(3) (b)(6) followed me and we began to call the detainee. The detainee didn't respond so (b)(3) reached in the bean hole and grabbed his blanket. (b)(3) pulled on it and called the detainee several times but he still did not respond. (b)(3) pulled the blanket away and we discovered it wasn't the detainee but comfort items under the blanket. The detainee fashioned the items under the blanket to imitate the shape of a body. When I saw that, I assumed the detainee was hiding or attempting to harm himself behind the blanket in the corner. I ran to the NCO shack and yelled (b)(2) to the other guards. I believe (b)(3) (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) followed us to cell A8. (b)(3) (b)(6) NCIS b2

We entered A8 and (b)(3) pulled the blanket aside. I saw the detainee hanging from what appeared to be a twisted sheets. I cut the detainee down while (b)(3) held him up. Once we got him down I could see that the sheet was wrapped around his neck and his hands appeared to be bound in front of him. (b)(3) (b)(6)