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SUPP: DETAINEE BEING HELD AT JTF-GTMO

INTERVIEW OF DETAINEE ISN-(b)(2)

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NARRATIVE

On 10Jun06, Reporting Agent (RA) and Participating Agent (PA) interviewed detainee (b)(3):10 USC, Internment Serial Number (ISN) -(b)(2) at Camp Delta Detention Facility, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (GTMO). The interview was conducted in Arabic and translated by linguist (b)(3): (b)(3):10 a civilian contractor of the L3 Corporation. This interview was conducted to ascertain if ISN-(b)(2) had prior knowledge that the suicides were going to occur.

As background, on 10Jun05, 0039 hours, three detainees being held at Joint Task Force Guantanamo Bay, Cuba (JTF-GTMO) were found by Joint Detention Group (JDG) personnel hanging by their necks. Their bodies were discovered within Camp Delta, Camp One, Cell Block (b)(3):1 Cell Five, Eight, and Twelve.

ISN-(b)(1) related on 09Jun06 at 2100, they had Friday evening prayer like normal. ISN-(b)(1) related they sung for approximately 30-45 minutes after prayer. ISN-(b)(1) related everyone went to sleep after singing but he was unsure of the exact time. ISN-(b)(2) stated he was the last one to go to sleep that night.

ISN-(b)(1) related after midnight, the guards awakened him as they called out to (b)(1) ISN-(b)(1) related (b)(1) would not respond to the guards as they called out to him. ISN-(b)(2) related he heard one of the guards shout "he's hanging". ISN-(b)(8) related he was very surprised to hear that (b)(1) harmed himself. ISN-(b)(1) related all of this shouting began to cause the rest of the prisoner to wake up.

ISN-(b)(2) related he later heard the guards calling out to A12, but A12 did not respond. ISN-(b)(1) stated A12 had a blanket hanging up inside of his cell and the guards were unable to see him. ISN-(b)(2) related the guards had to go inside the cell to check on him. After the guards entered his cell, ISN-(b)(2) stated he overheard the guards say he hanged himself. ISN-(b)(8) stated he witness (b)(2) hanging from a white rope or white sheet. ISN-(b)(1) stated he saw the guards pull A12 down and check him for a pulse. ISN-(b)(2) stated he overheard one of the guards say that he was dead. ISN-(b)(1) related he watched the guards place A12 on a board and take him away.

ISN stated A8 and A12 were only on the cellblock for a short while.

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ISN-(b)(2) stated they just recently ended their hunger strike. ISN-(b)(2) related if he knew that his brothers were contemplating suicide, he would have warned the guards. ISN-(b)(2) related he loves life and he would never allow his brothers to harm themselves. ISN-(b)(2) stated he went to REC with A8 on 08Jun06. ISN-(b)(2) related (b)(2) seemed happy at the time and nobody knew this was going to happen. ISN-688 further related there was no leader on the block that could coordinate the suicides.

ISN-(b)(2) related he believes the detainees committed suicide because of the pressure. ISN-(b)(2) stated the guards swear and constantly harass them. ISN-(b)(2) stated they have held us here for four years and they haven't told us about our cases. ISN-(b)(2) related they couldn't tolerate this kind of psychological pressure. ISN-(b)(2) related the guards have taken all of their items and this is increasing the mental pressure. ISN-(b)(2) further stated this kind of pressure would even make a normal man think about suicide. The interview was concluded at that time.

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