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FROM:

Muneer I. Ahmad, Richard I. Wilson, Counsel for Petitioner O.K.

DATE:

December 30, 2004

RE:

Request for Classification Review in O.K. v. Bush, 04-CV-01136 (JDB)

Pursuant to the Counsel Access Procedures applicable in the above-referenced case by order of the Honorable Joyce Hens Green, counsel for Petitioner O.K. request a classification review of information learned from Petitioner, as set forth below. As required by the Counsel Access Procedures, counsel for Petitioner provide herein a specific outline of the information for which counsel requests a classification determination. See Counsel Access Procedures § VII.A. Which counsel for Petitioner request that the Privilege Team forward its classification determination to counsel "[a]s soon as possible" after conducting the classification review, and in no instance later than seven business days after receipt of this request. See Id., §§ VII.C., VII.C.1.

Counsel for Petitioner request that the Privilege Team provide paragraph markings as to classification level of the information below. In addition, it is requested that classified portions of the information below, if any, be reducted where possible, rather than determining an entire paragraph to be classified.

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See Amended Protective Order and Procedures for Counsel Access (filed Nov. 8, 2004), Exh. A ("Counsel Access Procedures").

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The specific information learned from Petitioner for which classification review is requested is enumerated below:

- 1. Sometime between November 10, 2004, and November 30, 2004, Petitioner was moved from his prior cell block to a cell block that is under camera surveillance. This move came after Petitioner had met with counsel at Guantanamo, Bay. Petitioner does not know why he has been moved.
- 2. Sometime between November 10, 2004, and November 30, 2004, and following Petitioner's visit with his counsel, an interrogator named Dawood visited Petitioner. That interrogator asked Petitioner about his visit with Petitioner's counsel.

While at Guantanamo, Petitioner has been visited on numerous occasions by individuals claiming to be from the Canadian government. These included four visits in the course of four days in a row, starting on March 27, 2003.

- 4. The first visit was by a group of three people: two men, one in his mid-30s and a second, older man, perhaps in his 70s, and a woman about 40-50 years old. The visitors introduced themselves as Canadians. They stated that they knew Petitioner's mother and grandinother in Scarborough, Canada. They met in a special conference room, rather than the usual interrogation room, and this room was more comfortable. They met for approximately 2-3 hours. Rather than asking him how he was, the visitors had a lot of questions for him.
- 5. During this first visit, the visitors showed Petitioner approximately 20 pictures of various people, and asked Petitioner to identify them. The Canadian visitors never asked Petitioner how he was feeling or how he was doing, nor did they ever ask if he wanted to send a message to his family.
- 6. The next day, the two Canadian men who had visited Petitioner returned.

 Petitioner told them that if they were not going to help him then he wanted them to leave him alone.
- 7. On the third visit by the Canadians, Petitioner told the Canadian visitors that he wanted to return to his country, Canada, and that he would speak with them there. One of the two Canadian men stated, "The U.S. and Canada are like an elephant and an ant sleeping in the same bed," and that there was nothing the Canadian government could do against the power of the U.S. The same two Canadian men visited a fourth time as well.
- 8. Approximately one month before Ramadan in 2003, two different men came to

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visit Petitioner. They told Petitioner that they were Canadian. One of the men was in his 20s and the other in his 30s. These two men yelled at Petitioner and accused him of not telling the truth. One of the men returned alone approximately one month after the Eid al-Adha holiday. The visitor showed Petitioner his (the visitor's) Canadian passport, the outside of which was red in color. The Canadian visitor stated, "I'm not here to help you. I'm not here to do anything for you. I'm just here to get information." The man then asked Petitioner questions about his brother, Abdallah.

- Within a day of his last visit from the Canadians, Petitioner's security level was changed from Level 1 to Level 4 minus, with isolation. Everything was taken away from him, and he spent a month in isolation. The room in which he was confined was kept very cold. The Petitioner stated that it was "like a refrigerator."
- Around the time of Ramadan in 2003, an Afghan man, claiming to be from the Afghan government, interrogated Petitioner at Guantanamo. A military 10. interrogator was in the room at the time. The Afghan man said his name was "Izmarai" (Liun), and that he was from Wardeq. He spoke mostly in Farsi, and a little in Pashto and English. He had an American flag on his trousers. The Afghan man appeared displeased with the answers that Petitioner was giving him, and after some time both the Afghan and the military interrogator left the room. A military official then removed Petitioner's chair and short-shackled Petitioner by his hands and feet to a bolt in the floor. Military officials then moved Petitioner's hands behind his knees. They left him in the room in this condition for approximately five to six hours. Occasionally, a military officer would come in and laugh at Petitioner.
- During the course of his interrogation of Petitioner, the Afghan man told Petitioner that a new detention center was being built in Afghanistan for non-11. cooperative detainees at Guantanamo. The Afghan man told Petitioner that he would be sent to Afghanistan. The Afghan man also told Petitioner that they like small boys in Afghanistan, a comment that Petitioner understood as a threat of sexual violence. Before leaving the room, the Afghan man took a piece of paper on which Petitioner's picture appeared, and wrote on it in the Pashto language, "This detainee must be transferred to Bagram."
- During one interrogation at Guantanamo in the spring of 2003, an interrogator spit in Petitioner's face when he didn't like the answers Petitioner provided. He 12. pulled Petitioner's hair, and told Petitioner that he would be sent to Israel, Egypt, Jordan, or Syria-comments that Petitioner understood to be a threat of torture. The interrogator told Petitioner that the Egyptians would send in "Askri raqm lisa"-Soldier Number 9-which the interrogator explained to Petitioner was a man

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who would be sent to rape Petitioner.

- 13. The interrogator told Petitioner, "Your life is in my hands." Petitioner's hands and ankles were shackled, and the interrogator then removed Petitioner's chair, forcing him to sit on the floor. The Petitioner told Petitioner to stand up. Because of the way he was shackled, he was not able to use his hands to do so, thus making the act difficult to do. As ordered by the interrogator, Petitioner stood up, at which time the interrogator told him to sit down again. When Petitioner did so, the interrogator ordered him to stand again. Petitioner refused to do so, at which point the interrogator called two military police officers into the room, who grabbed Petitioner by the neck and arms, lifted Petitioner up, and then dropped him to the floor. The military police officers lifted and dropped Petitioner in this manner approximately five times, each time at the instruction of the interrogator. The interrogator told Petitioner they would throw his case in a safe and that Petitioner would never get out of Guantanamo. This interrogation session lasted for approximately two to three hours.
- 14. On one occasion at Guantanamo, in the Spring of 2003, Petitioner was left alone in an interrogation room for approximately ten hours.
- Around March of 2003, Petitioner was taken out of his cell at Camp Delta at approximately 12:00 - 1:00 a.m., and taken to an interrogation room. An 15. interrogator told Petitioner that Petitioner's brother was at Guantanamo, and that Petitioner should "get ready for a miserable life," Petitioner stated that he would answer the interrogator's questions if they brought his brother to see him. The interrogator became extremely angry, then called in military police and told them to cuff Petitioner to the floor. First they cuffed Petitioner with his arms in front of his legs. After approximately half an hour they cuffed him with his arms behind his legs. After another half hour they forced petitioner onto his knees, and cuffed his hands behind his legs. Later still, they forced Petitioner on his stomach, bent his knees, and cuffed his hands and feet together. At some point, Petitioner urinated on the floor and on himself. Military Police poured pine oil on the floor and on Petitioner, and then, with Petitioner lying on his stomach and his hands and feet cuffed together behind him, the Military Police dragged Petitioner back and forth through the mixture of unine and pine oil on the floor. Later, Petitioner was put back in his cell, without being allowed a shower or change of clothes. He was not given a change of clothes for two days.
- 16. After being captured by U.S. Forces, Petitioner was held in Bagram, Afghanistan, prior to being moved to Guantanamo. When he first arrived at Bagram, Petitioner was badly wounded and in a great deal of pain. Military officials came to his bedside in the hospital and began questioning him immediately. He was given

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only limited pain medication. Sometimes he would ask for pain medication and it was refused to him.

- Military officials at Bagram treated Petitioner roughly, despite his young age and his poor physical condition. He was interrogated repeatedly by military officials, and on many occasions was brought into the interrogation room on a stretcher. On one occasion, interrogators grabbed and pulled him, he fell and cut his left knee. On some occasions, interrogators brought barking dogs into the interrogation room while Petitioner's head was covered with a bag. On other occasions, interrogators threw cold water on him. They also tied his hands above the door frame and made him stand for hours at a time. While his wounds were still healing, interrogators made Petitioner clean the floors on his hands and knees. They forced him to carry heavy buckets of water, which hurt his left shoulder (where he had been shot). When Petitioner was able to walk again, interrogators made him pick up trash, then empired the trash bog and made him pick it up again. During the interrogations, Petitioner was not allowed to use the bathroom, and was forced to urinate on himself.
 - 18. When Petitioner arrived at Guantanamo, he heard a military official say, "Welcome to Israel."
 - 19. Upon arrival at Guantanamo, Petitioner was taken to the Fleet Hospital, where he stayed for two days. While in the hospital, two interrogators came and interrogated him for six hours each day.
 - 20. On November 8, 2004, counsel for Petitioner administered to Petitioner the Folstein Mini Menial Status examination in order to ascertain Petitioner's mental status, with the following results:

Date orientation: Petitioner answered year, month, date and day of week without prompting. Counsel did not ask for season.

Place orientation: answered country, camp and block without prompting. Counsel did not ask for town or floor.

Register 3 objects: Petitioner did them accurately: table, telephone and flashlight.

Senal Sevens: Petitioner did them correctly, back to 58 (six in sequence)

Pelitioner recalled all three objects named before.

Naming: Petitioner named both worch and pencil when asked.

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Repeating a phrase: Petitioner had some difficulty repeating the phrase "no ifs, ands or buts" because he'd never heard it before.

Verbal Commands: Petitioner followed all accurately in folding paper and putting on floor.

Written command: Petitioner followed accurately the written command "close your eyes."

Writing: Petitioner was asked him to write a sentence. He wrote "I miss home."

Drawing: Petitioner replicated a pair of intersecting pentagons accurately.

- Petitioner provided the following additional information regarding his mental state at Guantanamo:
 - a. He has experienced a life-threatening event.
 - b. He has experienced feelings of intense fear while at Guantanamo.
 - c. Since arriving at Guantanamo, he has cried often. The last time was approximately one month before counsel's visit in November, 2004.
 - d. Petitioner has had thoughts of suicide while at Guantanamo. On one occasion, in January 2003, everything was removed from his cell because military officials feared Petitioner would hurt himself. A doctor came to visit Petitioner at this time.
 - e. Petitioner has had recurrent dreams about the events in Afghanistan, and in particular, about the gun battle and air assaults at the house where he was captured. He has had such dreams 2-3 times since his arrival at Camp V. He has dreamt of his father's death and of his own capture, and in his dreams Petitioner is often trying to get away from those events.
 - f. Petitioner was completely unaware of the persistent twitch he has on the left side of his face.
 - g. Petitioner has felt like he was reliving past events. In one dream, following an interrogation at Guantanamo, Petitioner felt as if he were being shot again. This dream was approximately 2.3 months before counsel's visit with Petitioner in November 2004.

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h. Petitioner has had flashback experiences, triggered by sounds. In Camp Delta, he heard shooting, which reminded him of helicopters closing in on the house where he was captured. At times, the closing of doors at Guantanamo reminds him of planes closing in on the house.

- i. Petitioner has fainted on multiple occasions since arriving at Guantanamo.
- j. Petitioner sometimes feels that his future looks dark or uncertain.
- k. Petitioner often has difficulty sleeping.
- 1. Petitioner has sometimes had trouble concentrating (as when counting, for example.)
- m. Petitioner has heard voices even when no one was around.
- n. Petitioner sometimes feels like he has been on alert.
- o. Petitioner has often had anger outbursts that are unlike him. These happen as often as once a week.
- p. Petitioner is sometimes easily startled.
- 22. Petitioner has found partially dissolved tablets and/or powder at the bottom of a glass given him by his captors. He says the pills produce various effects-sleepiness, dizziness, alertness.
- Petitioner has seen another detainee at Guantanamo, a bone doctor from Yemen or Saudi Arabia named Dr. Ayman, who seems to have gone insane. Petitioner says that the man usually doesn't talk, occasionally screams, and sometimes asks "who's a woman here?" He has lost a lot of weight and only eats one meal a day.

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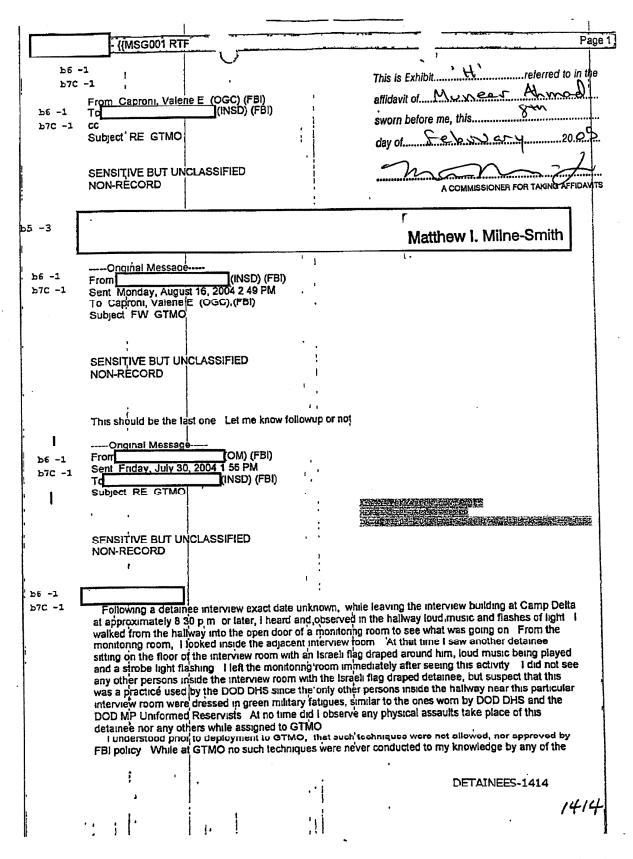
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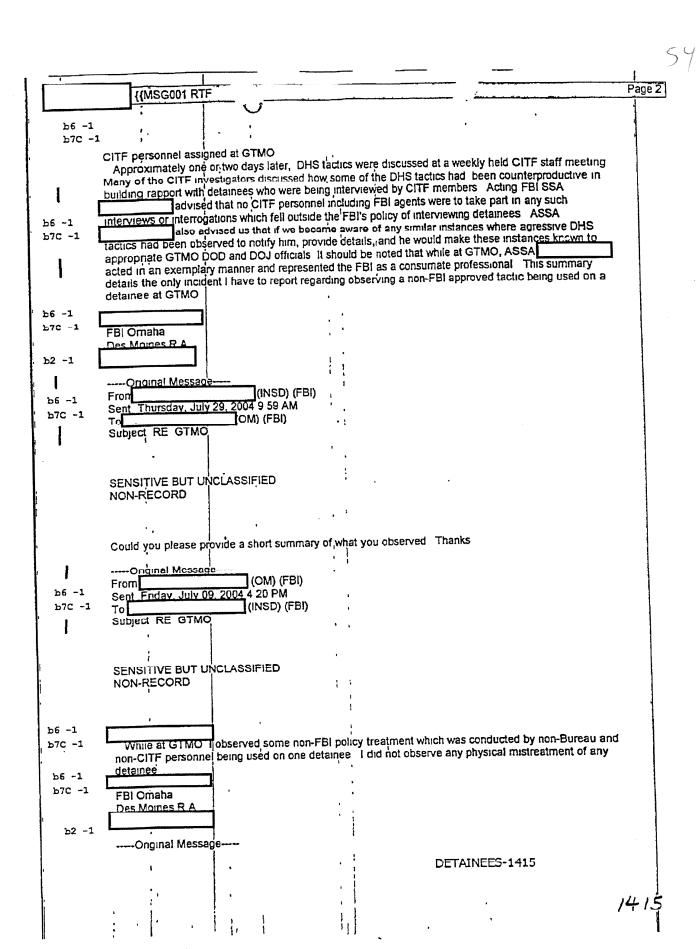
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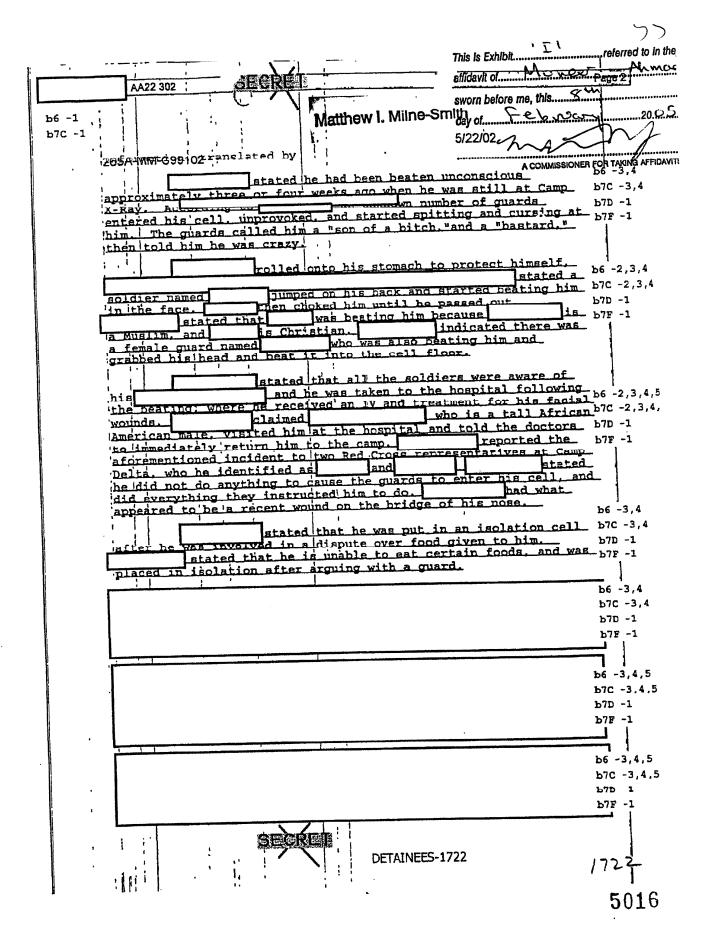
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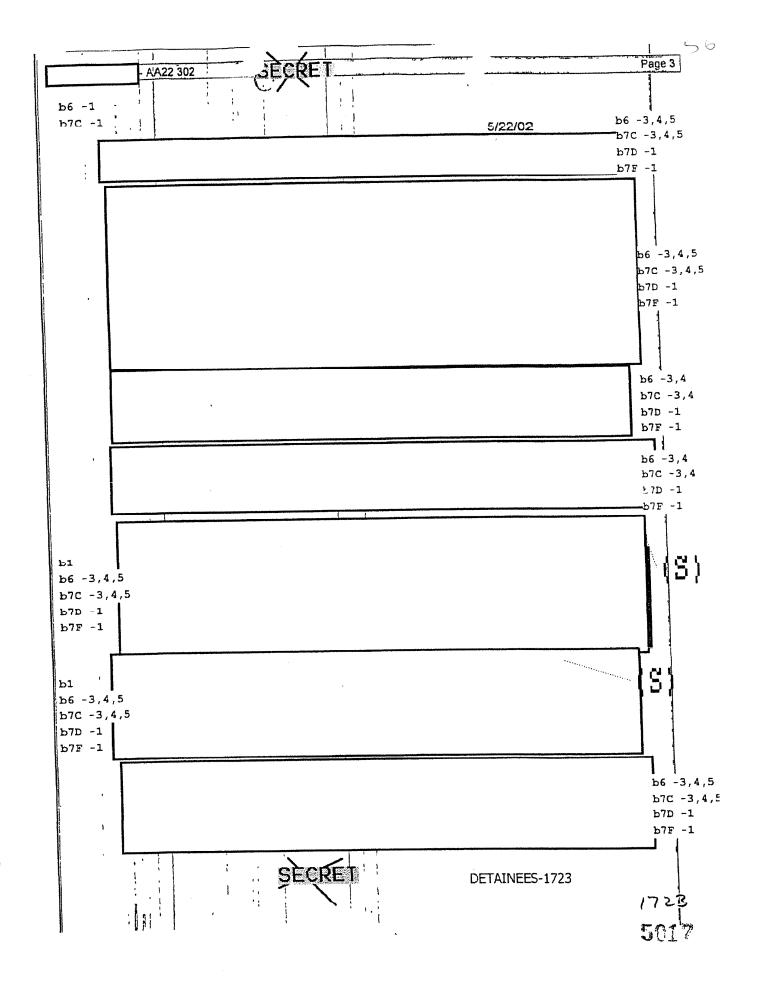
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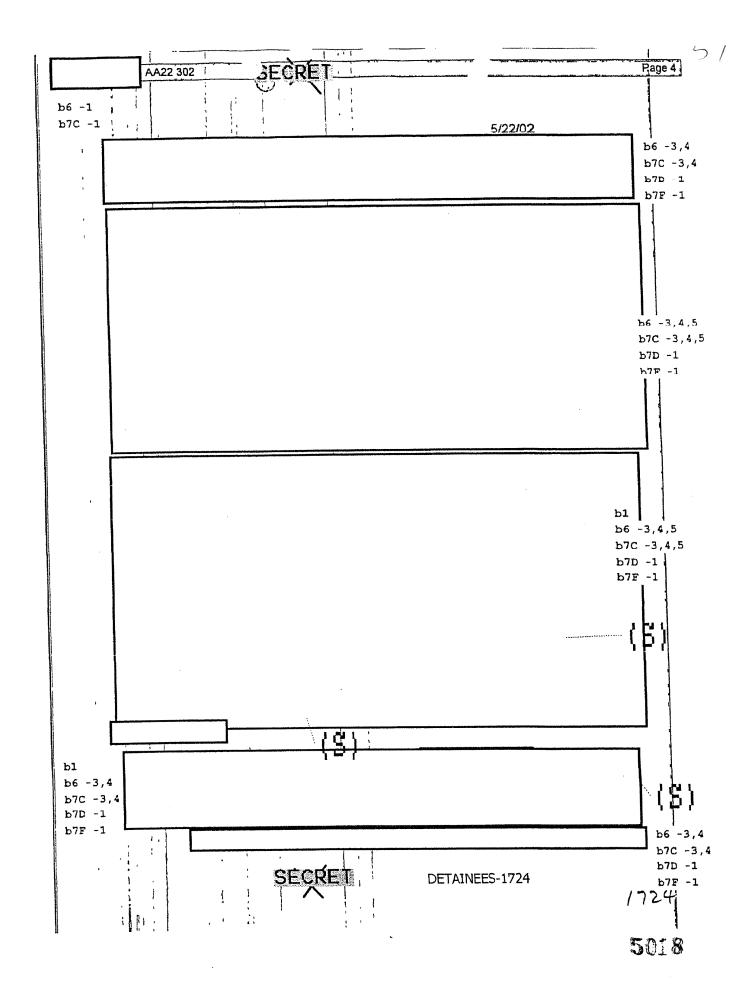
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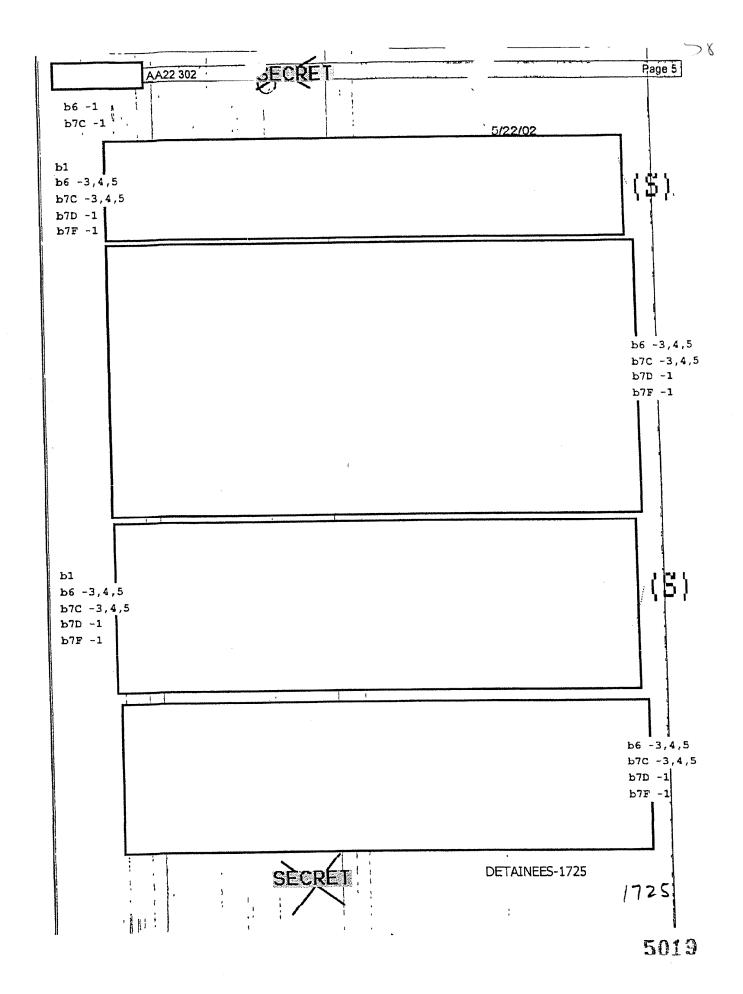


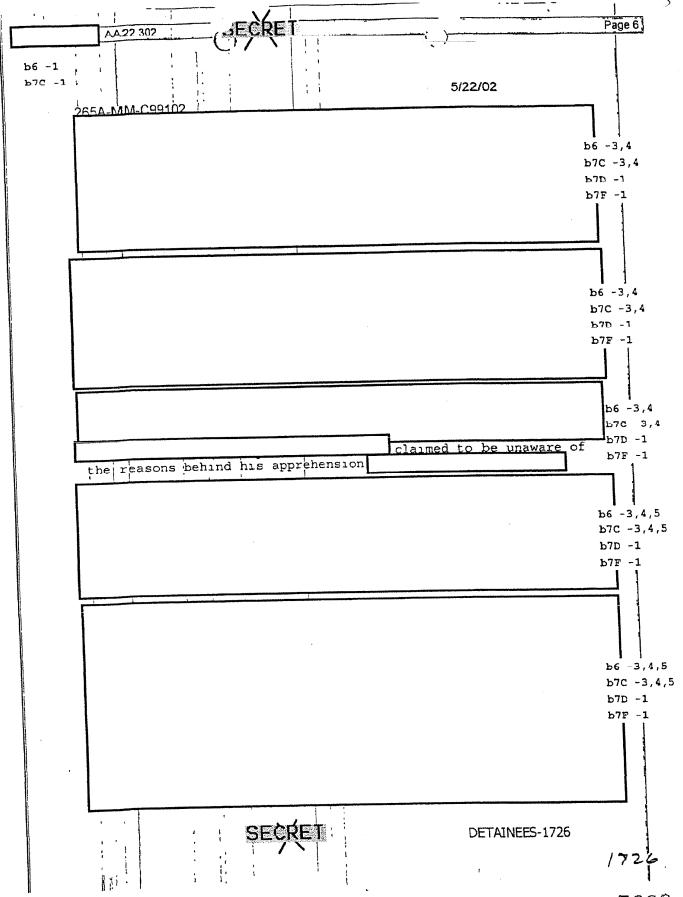


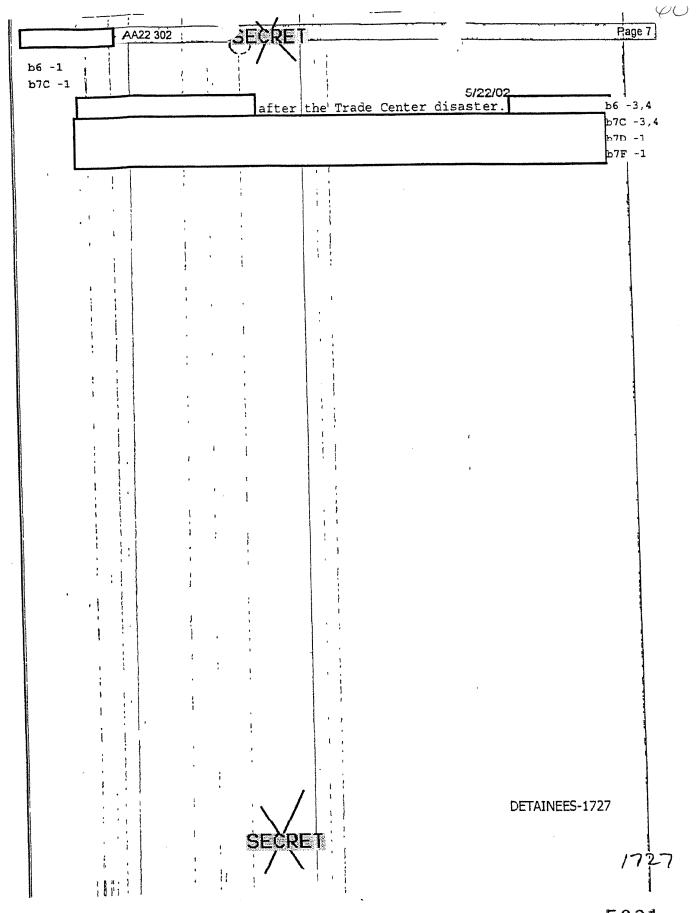


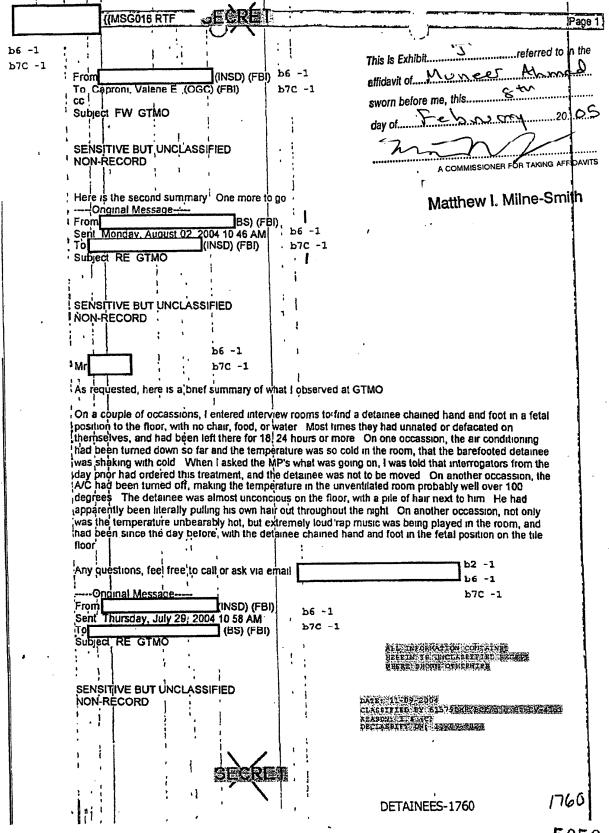


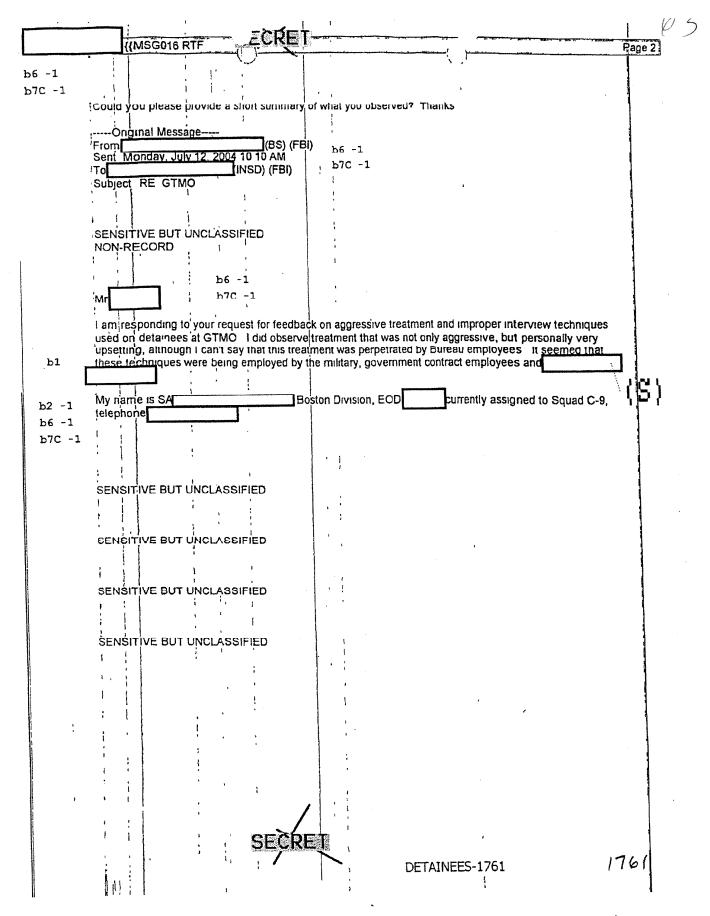












GTMO Interrogation Techniques

Approved by SECDEF in Dec 2002:

Category

- Incentive
- Yelling at Detainee
 - Deception
- Multiple Interrogator techniques
- nterrogator identity

Category II

- Stress positions for a maximum of four hours (e.g., standing)
- isolation up to 30 days (requires notice) Use of falsified documents or reports
 - Interrogation outside of the standard interrogation booth
- Hooding during transport & Interrogation Deprivation of light and auditory stimuli
 - Use of 20 hour interrogations
 - Removal of all comfort items
- Switching detainee from hot meal to MRE Removal of clothing
- inducing stress by use of detainee's fears Forced grooming (e.g., shaving)

(e.g., dogs) Category III

Use of mild, non-injurious physical contact

Used Dec 2002 through 15 Jan 2003:

Category

- Yelling (Not directly into ear)
- Deception (Introducing of confederate detainee
 - Role-playing interrogator in next cell

Category II

- Removal from social support at Camp Della Segregation in Navy Brig solation in Camp X-Ray
- nterrogating the detainse in an environment
 - other than standard interrogation room at Camp Delta (i.e., Camp X-Ray) Deprivation of light (use of red light)

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- Removal of all comfort items, including Up to 20-hour interrogations
- religious items
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 - Use of false documents or reports control (Sesoding

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