

SUBJECT: REDACTED INTELLIGENCE REPORT 007

DATE: SPRING 2007-EARLY 2008

SOURCE: DEBRIEFING OF [DETAINEE] UNDER COALITION FORCES CONTROL

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Summary:

[Detainee] identified the following training courses conducted at the military facilities in Iran:

1. Mortar Specialty Training Course
2. IED Specialty Training Course
3. Weapons Specialty Training Course
4. Fighter Course
5. Tactics Course

The Weapons Specialty Training Course consisted of pistol, AK-47, PKC, and sniper training.

The Fighter Course is a shorter course than the Mortar Specialty Training Course, IED Specialty Training Course, and Weapons Specialty Training Course. The Fighter Course taught trainees weapons (pistols, AK-47, PKC, and sniper), IEDs, mortars, tactics, and physical training in a condensed overview course.

The Tactics Course taught the trainee movement, speed, and concealment.

In regards to the Iranian training, [REDACTED] was responsible for requesting SG trainee attendance to Iranian training from the SG areas in Iraq. The selection of the individuals was made through the SG region where the trainee is assigned. [Detainee] does not know the selection process for these [Detainee]s.

The request for trainees originates in Iran with [REDACTED] aka [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] would decide what kind of training is available and the time schedule for the training. [REDACTED] would call [Detainee] and have [Detainee] contact [REDACTED] about the training needs, slots available, and schedule for the courses. At times, different courses were scheduled for the same period of time and others for future periods.

[REDACTED] would contact the SG representatives responsible for the different SG areas in Iraq. [Detainee] does not know if [REDACTED] contacts the SG leaders of each area or a coordinator. It is the responsibility of each SG area to determine who they wished to have attend the training in Iran. Once the trainees were identified, [REDACTED] was called by the respective SG areas and informed of the SG members picked to attend the training. The SG area would then await further instructions from [REDACTED].

When the training travel was ready, ██████ would call the SG areas and have the trainees travel to Amarah. The trainees would usually travel by taxi, a seven to eight passage vehicle, to the Baghdad garage in Amarah. Once in Amarah, the trainees would contact ██████ and inform him of their arrival. ██████ would arrange to have some, usually ██████, meet the trainees and take them to an Amarah SG safe house.

[Detainee] would meet the trainees at the safe house where he would provide each 100 USD, brief them on their travel and what to be aware of, and verify their passports. The trainees would then wait at the safe house until Abu Yahya told them it was time to depart for Iran. The trainees would again use taxis, usually seven to eight person vehicles, in their travel to the Iranian and Iraqi border.

There were no specific qualifications for attending Iranian SG training other than it was mandatory for each SG member be able to read and write. ██████ stressed the following attributes in each Iranian bound trainee:

- Open mindedness
- Physical stamina
- Maturity
- Organizational skills
- Responsible
- Individuals who are not a problem

Education was not required for the Iranian training. [Detainee] was not aware if prior military experience was sought after.

██████ and ██████ were superior to ██████. ██████ also appeared to be superior to ██████. While [Detainee] and ██████ attended the meeting with the 16 weapons trainers at the Amarah safe house it was ██████ who made the final decision on the weapons trainers' requests. Abu Hadi approved the request for funds in the purchase of four pistols and four laptop computers. The amount of 1,100 USD was allocated for the purchase of each pistol and the amount of 500 USD was approved for the purchase of each laptop computer. ██████ gave the computer money to ██████, who in return provided the funds to the requesting four SG trainers.

[Detainee] was later contacted by the requesting laptop computer weapons trainers who said the money received was not enough to purchase computers. In addition, the trainers wished to purchase flash drives for the laptops. [Detainee] called ██████'s phone, which was answered by ██████. [Detainee] informed ██████ of the problem and the additional request for 100 – 250 USD per computer. The additional funds were approved for the laptops and flash drives.

Information obtained from the Iranian training was downloaded onto the flash drives for future reference and learning. [Detainee] does not know who entered the information onto the flash drives.

█████ wished to quit SG because he had a family and children. The laptop computer received was turned over to █████. Since █████ requested a laptop, [Detainee] obtained the computer from █████ and brought it to █████ in Karbala.

[Detainee] does not know if the Iranian military advisors training SG in Iran have any input on the type of trainees sent for training. [Detainee] is only aware of Abu Sadiq requesting SG personnel to attend specific training during a scheduled period.

[Detainee] has no knowledge of the Iranian trained SG members returning to Iraq and training other SG personnel. The only Iranian trained SG members that do conduct training in Iraq were the original 16 weapons trainers. Further, [Detainee] has never heard of returning SG trainees forming specialized cells or groups. The Iranian trained SG member would return to his original SG area.