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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: Monday, August 18, 2003 2:16 AM
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: RE: Taskers

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Alternative
Interrogation Tech...

The attached document is the 4th Infantry Division's ICE suggestions if alternative interrogation techniques are authorized. All techniques not listed as "coercive" cause no lasting effects on the subject.

I apologize for tardiness, but my SIPRNET has been down for the last few hours.

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Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 3:51 AM

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Sent: Thursday, August 14, 2003 1:51 AM
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1- A list identifying individuals who we have in detention that fall under the category of "unlawful combatants" I've included a definition form the SJA folks:

In order to properly address your request for a legal definition of the term "unlawful combatant," I must first provide you with a framework of definitions with which to work. According to the Law of Land Warfare, the term "combatant" is defined as anyone engaging in hostilities in an armed conflict on behalf of a party to the conflict. Combatants are


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lawful targets, unless out of combat. With that said, "lawful combatants" receive protections of the Geneva Conventions and gain combat immunity for their warlike acts, as well as become prisoners of war if captured. In comparison, "unprivileged belligerents," commonly referred to as "unlawful combatants," may be treated as criminals under the domestic law of the captor. Unprivileged belligerents may include spies, saboteurs, or civilians who are participating in the hostilities. The term "unlawful combatant" is not referenced, nor is it defined. The term that properly described these type of individuals is "unprivileged belligerents," and as stated before they may be treated as criminals under domestic law.

As far as an ROE that addresses the treatment of enemy combatants, specifically, unprivileged belligerents, we are unaware of any but we will continue to research the issue for you. I hope this information has been helpful.

- 2- An additional list identifying who we have detained who are "Islamic extremist"
- 3- Immediately seek input from interrogation elements (Division/Corps) concerning what their special interrogation knowledge base is and more importantly, what techniques would they feel would be effective techniques that SJA could review (basically provide a list).

Provide interrogation techniques "wish list" by 17 AUG 03.

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Alternative Interrogation Techniques (Wish List) **4th Infantry Division, ICE**

Open Hand Strikes (face and midsection) (no distance greater than 24 inches)

Fairly self-explanatory.

Pressure Point Manipulation

Manipulation of specific points on the human body can cause acute temporary pain but cause no long term effects or damage.

Close Quarter Confinement

Confinement of subject in extremely close quarters. Discomfort induces compliance and cooperation.

White Noise Exposure

Overexposure of subject to noise found to be meaningless and many times monotonous to subject. Often used in conjunction with Sleep Deprivation.

Sleep Deprivation

An initial period of total deprivation (usually 12 to 24 hours) followed by regular and irregular sleep patterns over several days.

Stimulus Deprivation

The human mind requires stimulation, however small, to maintain resistance to suggestion, mental and emotional manipulation and self will. Subject is deprived of this stimulation for 12 to 24 hours during initial stages. Effects on subject's resistance are monitored with short intense interrogations (15-60 minutes at most). Subject's resistance will usually rapidly decay after 36 to 48 hours. This technique requires no physical pressure to be applied. However, subject must be carefully monitored.

***There are a number of "coercive" techniques that may be employed that cause no permanent harm to the subject. These techniques, however, often call for medical personnel to be on call for unforeseen complications. They include but are not limited to the following:**

Phone Book Strikes

Low Voltage Electrocution

Closed-Fist Strikes

Muscle Fatigue Inducement

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From:
Sent:
To:
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Thursday, August 14, 2003 11:26 AM

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Subject: RE: FW: Taskers

All:

Regarding the tasking—I am not a legal expert, but seems to me that everyone we are detaining at this point is an unprivileged belligerent, since we have taken over the country and there is no longer any force opposing us that 1) wears recognizable uniform; and 2) bears arms openly. So I think everyone we detain is in that category.

As for "the gloves need to come off..." we need to take a deep breath and remember who we are. Those gloves are most definitely NOT based on Cold War or WWII enemies—they are based on clearly established standards of international law to which we are signatories and in part the originators. Those in turn derive from practices commonly accepted as morally correct, the so-called "usages of war." It comes down to standards of right and wrong—something we cannot just put aside when we find it inconvenient, any more than we can declare that we will "take no prisoners" and therefore shoot those who surrender to us simply because we find prisoners inconvenient.

"The casualties are mounting..." we have taken casualties in every war we have ever fought—that is part of the very nature of war. We also inflict casualties, generally many more than we take. **That in no way justifies letting go of our standards.** We have NEVER considered our enemies justified in doing such things to us. Casualties are part of war—if you cannot take casualties then you cannot engage in war. Period.

BOTTOM LINE: We are American soldiers, heirs of a long tradition of staying on the high ground. We need to stay there.

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Psalm 24: 3-8

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I sent several months in Afghanistan interrogating the Taliban and al Qaeda. Restrictions on interrogation techniques had a negative impact

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on our ability to gather intelligence. Our interrogation doctrine is based on former Cold War and WWII enemies. Today's enemy, particularly those in SWA, understand force, not psychological mind games or incentives. I would propose a baseline interrogation technique that at a minimum allows for physical contact resembling that used by SERE instructors. This allows open handed facial slaps from a distance of no more than about two feet and back handed blows to the midsection from a distance of about 18 inches. Again, this is open handed. I will not comment on the effectiveness of these techniques as both a control measure and an ability to send a clear message. I also believe that this should be a minimum baseline.

Other techniques would include close confinement quarters, sleep deprivation, white noise, and a litany of harsher fear-up approaches...fear of dogs and snakes appear to work nicely. I firmly agree that the gloves need to come off.

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