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OIC & NCOIC
COLLECTION POINT
INTERVIEW QUESTIONS

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Gunnery Sgt [redacted] (b)(6)-2

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Rank E7 Branch MARINES Date 26 MAR 04 Unit MP Co 3/11 IMF
Duty Position Staff NCOIC How Long in Job 1 WEEK
Interviewer [redacted]
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1. Can you tell me what sources that you use to get policy, doctrine and standards for Detainee Operations? (What doctrine was used in setting up the collection point?) Describe the basic principles of detainee operations and how you are applying them. (1.1, 4.1)

1 Marine Div Briggs Order (Marine Reg that governs marine detainee / brig ops) and combination of Army + Marine SOPs, Regs, Policies

2. How did you prepare yourself and your junior leaders/Soldiers to understand applicable regulations, OPORD/FRAGO, directives, international laws and administrative procedures to operate a collection Point? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, 4.1).

Professionalism + conduct required of Marines, some come from corrections background. Did OTT with outgoing Army unit. Reserve MP Marine unit had EPW training but not detainee / brig ops. Some (two) marines have detainee ops former detainee Ops MOS. SOPs + regs put in a reading file and signed off by CO.

3. How did Home Station/Mob Site Training prepare you to conduct Detainee Operations? (Did this include Law of War and treatment of Detainees training.)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 4.1)

No, did not know what the mission would be.

4. Describe the training the guard force received to prepare them for their duties. (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1)

Interior guard policies procedures and 11 general orders. Other ops of EPW that are similar, ie handling of property.

5. How does your unit conduct sustainment training for Detainee Operations or training for newly assigned personnel? (How often does this occur and please describe it?) When did your unit last conduct this training? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 4.1)

Small Platoon with rotation three positions
both day and night, classes, hands on application

6. What kind of security lighting do you have that ensures you have a safe and secure operation at night? How do you provide heat to detainees during the winter? What fire prevention/safety measures do you have? (1.8)

Lighting on inside is good, working on outside.
Cells are brick which maintains a somewhat cool temperature.

7. In relation to where the detainees are housed, how far away are your ammunition and fuel storage sites? Where is your screening site where MI Soldiers interrogate Detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8)

Fuel 200 m away
Ammo 1/2 mile away

8. Describe some of the basic operations of the collection point relating to detainee segregation, captured medical/religious personnel, feeding, sanitation, etc? (Do you segregate Detainees by nationality, language, religion, rank, and sex? How are captured Medical personnel and Chaplains being used? Are the daily food rations sufficient in quantity or quality and variety to keep detainees in good health? Are personal hygiene items and needed clothing being supplied to the Detainees? Are the conditions within the collection point sanitary enough to ensure a clean and healthy environment free from disease and epidemics)? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

Segregation is by separating persons involved in the same crime, keep leaders away from soldiers, religious, females, youth.

9. What control measures do you use to maintain detainee discipline and security in the collection point? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7, 1.8, 2.1, 3.1, 4.1)

Detainees separated, only one left on at a time for latrine or exercise. Hood over head + flux cuffs

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10. What are the procedures for the transfer of Detainees from the collection points to US Military controlled detention facilities? How is the transfer of Detainees handled between coalition forces/host nation? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

Hard on seven ton truck, hooded with flex cuffs. If possible escape not they use shackles.

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11. What transportation problems do you experience moving detainees during the operation? (1.5)

No transportation problems.

12. Describe the procedures you use when you in process a detainee. (CPA Forces Apprehension Form, two sworn statements, EPW tag, where do you store Detainees' confiscated personal affects (if any) and how are they accounted for (are they tagged with DD Form 2745)? How is evidence tagged? What procedures are in place to dispose of captured enemy supplies and equipment? Do you medically screen detainees?) (1.1, 1.2, 1.8, 4.1)

2 witness statement, property inventories, evidence inventories, radio transfer tag.

13. What MP units (platoon, guards, escort, detachments) do you have at your disposal to operate and maintain the collection point? Do you have any shortages? How do these shortages impact your mission? What non-MP units are you using to help operate the collection point? Do you have any shortages? How do these shortages impact your mission? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 1.7)

Marine Plt consisting of [redacted] personnel with [redacted] guards + NCOs. Adequate personnel to operate facility. (6X2)-3

14. What is your normal ratio of guards to detainees in the collection point? Is this ratio the proper mix for you to perform your mission? If not, what are the

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shortfalls? Why are their shortfalls? How do these shortfalls impact your mission? (1.1, 1.2, 1.3, 2.1, 3.1, 4.1) METT-TC

*[redacted] posts for [redacted] cells of which 4 have
prisoners. (b)(2)-3*

15. What is the number of personnel that is needed to move prisoners internally and externally (i.e. to the internment facility, from the BN Collection Points, for medical, evacuation, etc.)? (1.1, 1.7)

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[redacted] escorts per prisoner*

16. What personnel shortages do you have? What issues, if any, do you feel your unit has regarding manning or personnel resourcing in conducting Detention Operations? (1.7, 2.1, 3.1)

None

17. What equipment shortages (USR) are affecting your ability to perform detainee operations? What other equipment is the unit experiencing as a shortfall concerning detainee operations, (i.e., restraints, uniforms, CIF items, weapons, etc.)? What major shortfalls has the unit encountered in regards to materiel and supply distribution? (1.3, 1.5, 2.1, 3.1)

No personnel or equipment shortages.

18. Describe how the unit plans and procures logistical support to include: transportation, subsistence, organizational, and NBC clothing and equipment items, mail collection and distribution, laundry, and bath equipment ISO DO. (1.1, 1.2, 1.4)

19. What logistical support do you receive to run this Facility? What types of supplies is greater in-demand for the unit during detainee operations? And are these items regularly filled? (1.5)

Adequate

20. What procedures do you have in place to ensure Soldiers and leaders understand the use of force and rules of engagement for the collection point? (1.1, 1.2, 1.4, 1.6, 4.1)

Read and enable to recite ROE as well understand Arabic language such as "halt" all carry ROE cards.

21. What are the unit's procedures for the interrogation/questioning of Detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

MI does questioning

22. What kind of stress counseling are Soldiers/Guards provided? (1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 4.1)

Is available at 2000 hrs on Wednesday.

23. Do you maintain a separate site for sick or wounded Detainees? If so where is it and how does your unit maintain the security and safeguarding of Detainees there? How about female Detainees? How and where do you house them? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8, 2.1, 3.1)

Have not had but would have medical eval on records.

24. What type of Medical personnel/units are available in support of medical treatment of detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 4.1)

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4ea Medical Corpsmen and facility doctors.

25. Are Detainees given the latitude to practice their religion? Is there a chaplain available to minister to the detainees? Is the chaplain a Retained Personnel, US Forces, or a civilian? (1.1, 1.2, 2.1, 4.1)

Yes, can practice aslegha and given Koran. Chaplain visits once a week.

26. Describe the latrine facilities for Detainees' use (do they have access to it day and night and does it conform to the rules of hygiene and do females have separate facilities). How are they cleaned and how often and by whom? Where do they bathe and conduct other personal hygiene (this will depend how long it takes to evacuate Detainees to U.S. Military Controlled Detention Facilities--12 hours is the standard)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8)

4 times to use latrine a day. Can knock off if they need to go. 1 porti pottii, Two more within the wall.

27. How do the Detainees receive fresh water (Bottled water or Lister bag)? (1.1, 1.2, 1.8)

Bottled water on demand

28. What are the procedures if a detainee in U.S. custody dies? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

Not sure.

29. What AARs or lessons learned have you written or received regarding detainee operations? Can I get a copy? (preferably on disk) (2.1, 2.2)

Good comms eliminates confusion in processing

30. Are you aware of your requirement to report abuse or suspected abuse of detainees? (1.1, 1.2, 4.1)

Yes report immediately to the chain of command.

Do your subordinates know the reporting procedures if they observe or become aware of a Detainee being abused? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

Yes

31. What steps would you take if a subordinate reported to you an incident of alleged Detainee abuse? (1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

Report to Chain of Command

32. Do you feel you can freely report an incident of alleged Detainee abuse outside Command channels (IG, CID) (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

Yes

33. What procedures do you have to report suspected detainee abuse (IG, CID, Next Level Commander) (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

34. What systems are in place for detainees to report alleged abuse? (1.1, 1.2, 1.6, 4.1)

36. What do you perceive as the mission of your unit? Describe the importance of your role in that mission. (Insight to the Soldier's understanding and attitude concerning unit mission and their role) and well being.

Maintain safety of prisoners until their transfer or release. Tremendously important missions.

37. Describe your working environment and living conditions since being in Theater. (Identify physical and psychological impact on Soldier's attitude). (1.2, 1.3, 1.4, 1.5, 1.6, 1.7)

Adequate living and working conditions. Nice considering what it could

38. Describe the unit command climate and Soldier morale. Has it changed or evolved since you have been in Theater? (Identifies Soldier's perception of the chain of command and Soldier attitude. Does the Soldier feel supported? Do Soldiers feel the Command cares? Are they getting clear guidance)

Command climate is ^{and} good

39. Are you aware of any incidences of detainee or other abuse in your unit? _____

None.

ADVISEMENT OF RIGHTS (For military personnel)

The text of Article 31 provides as follows a. No person subject to this chapter may compel any person to incriminate himself or to answer any questions the answer to which may tend to incriminate him. b. No person subject to this chapter may interrogate or request any statement from an accused or a person suspected of an offense without first informing him of the nature of

the accusation and advising him that he does not have to make any statement regarding the offense of which he is accused or suspected, and that any statement made by him may be used as evidence against him in a trial by court-martial. c. No person subject to this chapter may compel any person to make a statement or produce evidence before any military tribunal if the statement or evidence is not material to the issue and may tend to degrade him. d. No statement obtained from any person in violation of this article, or through the use of coercion, unlawful influence, or unlawful inducement, may be received in evidence against him in a trial by court-martial. (1.2, 1.6)

I am _____ (grade, if any, and name), a member of the (DAIG). I am part of a team inspecting detainee operations, this is not a criminal investigation. I am reading you your rights because of a statement you made causes me to suspect that you may have committed _____. (specify offense, i.e. aggravated assault, assault, murder). Under Article 31, you have the right to remain silent, that is, say nothing at all. Any statement you make, oral or written, may be used as evidence against you in a trial by courts-martial or in other judicial or administrative proceedings. You have the right to consult a lawyer and to have a lawyer present during this interview. You have the right to military legal counsel free of charge. In addition to military counsel, you are entitled to civilian counsel of your own choosing, at your own expense. You may request a lawyer at any time during this interview. If you decide to answer questions, you may stop the questioning at any time. Do you understand your rights? Do you want a lawyer? (If the answer is yes, cease all questions at this point). Are you willing to answer questions?

40. Describe what you understand happened leading up to and during the incident(s) of abuse. (No applicable standard) _____

41. Describe Soldier morale, feelings and emotional state prior to and after these incidents? (Identifies unit and Soldier morale, atmosphere, mood, attitude, stress, retaliation, preemption, family crisis) _____

42. Was this incident reported to the chain of command? How, when & what was done? What would you have done? (Identifies compliance, procedure, timeliness, Soldier perception of action taken and effect on unit morale.) (1.2, 1.6) _____

43. How could the incident have been prevented? (Identifies root cause and perceived solution) (No applicable standard) _____

44. Describe any unit training or other programs that you are aware of that teach leaders and Soldiers how to recognize and resolve combat stress. _____

45. What measures are in place to boost morale or to relieve stress? (Identifies perceived solution.) _____

46. What measures could the command enact to improve the morale and command climate of your unit? (Identifies perceived solution.) _____
