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WITNESS STATEMENT

(CJ Act 1967, S.9;MC Act 1980, SS.5A(3a) and 5B;MC Rules 1981, r70)

Statement of: Joshua Michael KING

Rank/Status: Captain

Age if under 18: Over 18 (if over 18 insert "over 18") Occupation: HM Forces (Army)

This statement (consisting of 5 pages each signed by me) is true to the best of my knowledge and belief and I make it knowing that, if it is tendered in evidence, I shall be liable to prosecution if I have wilfully stated in it anything which I know to be false or do not believe to be true.

Signature: JM KING

Dated the 26th day of May 2005

I am Captain Joshua King and I am currently the Second in Command of A Sqn, 1 RTR, currently based in Warminster. I have held this post since the end of February 2005. I have been asked today to give a statement on my activities and training as a Tactical Questioner during Op TELIC 2 and can state the following:

I worked with a variety of people during the tour, which included WO2 Banister, 2 RTR, a Major from the PARA Regt, but cannot remember his name, who was OC P Company before coming on Op tour. A CSgt from the 1 KINGS BG who was the Battle Group Intelligence CSgt. I know he is now the SQMS with 1 KINGS Regt.

I did my Tactical Questioning course in about January or February 2003 at Chicksands. During the course we were taught a number of subjects including logical sequencing of questions, information requirement assessment, thought pattern trees and how to ask questions. All the prisoner handling taught was in accordance with the Geneva Convention and we use a JSP on prisoner handling as a reference and which we are required to work within. I did not do the Resistance to Interrogation phase of the course and therefore did not receive any instruction on conditioning of detainees. Therefore, I was not allowed to condition detainees.

I was allowed to blindfold detainees, which I did do. During the course we only used blindfolds but I cannot recall anybody saying we could not hood detainees with a sandbag or similar item. Blindfolding is done for security reasons of the camp so that detainees cannot see the inner workings and location inside UK SF bases. Detainees are blindfolded prior to entering a camp and are placed in

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Signature Witnessed by: JP YOUNG

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