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IRAQ – 'HOODING' AS AN INTERROGATION TECHNIQUE

Reference: MO6/17/15K & MST4/5/2, "Iraq – Policy on 'Hooding' Prisoners", dated 10 May 04

1. You asked at reference for the current training policy on the use of hooding as an interrogation technique.
2. The only formal courses in respect of prisoner handling, tactical questioning and interrogation are undertaken at the Defence Intelligence and Security Centre (DISC). All personnel attending these courses are explicitly taught that the use of hooding is unacceptable as an interrogation technique and potentially harmful to the health of the detainee.

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