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**IRAQ – POLICY ON ‘HOODING’ PRISONERS**

1. As a follow-up to today's Statement in the House of Commons, the Secretary of State is keen to understand the current position on the use of 'hooding' as an interrogation technique. There are two specific areas that he would wish to have more detail supplied.
2. Firstly, for CJO, what was the policy that was in place at the commencement of Op TELIC, when the policy was changed, what new instructions were issued, and what the current policy is (if different). Secondly, Mr Hoon is interested to know what the current training policy is on the use of hooding as an interrogation technique. I would be grateful if CDI's staff would take on this last point.
3. Bearing in mind the current interest in this topic, I would be grateful for **urgent responses by cop 11 May.**



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