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1 QLR INTERNMENT PROCEDURE

Ref:

A. HQ 1 (UK) Armd Div FRAGO 29 to OpO 005/03 - Dated 26 Jun 03.

GENERAL

1. Ref A is the authoritative document on Internment procedures, which is to take effect immediately. This document is to be read and understood by the chain of command down to Ops Room Watchkeeper level. Annex A of Ref A is to be displayed in all Ops Rooms. The CO has appointed Maj Royce to be the Battle Group Internment Review Officer (BGIRO), Ref A refers.

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2. Whenever a person is arrested, it is the responsibility of the Coy and Bn Watchkeepers to consider whether that person might be an internee. That is to say someone who threatens the Mission. In such a case the Bn Ops Room is to call in the BGIRO, to consider the case. If in doubt, treat the arrestee as an internee.

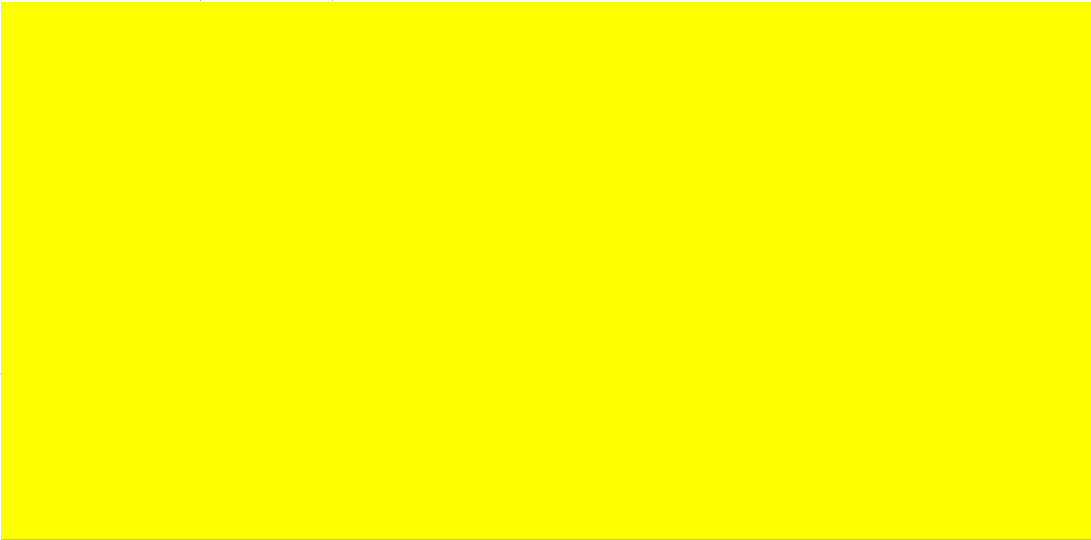
3. The internee is to be brought to Bn Main as soon as possible, but in any event within two hours of arrest, including Coy responsibilities outlined below. The internee will then be seen by the BGIRO, it is imperative that at least two persons involved in the arrest accompany the internee, in order to make statements and clarify points for the BGIRO. In the case of large numbers of internees in a single arrest, the BGIRO and Provo Sgt will deploy to Coy Locations, at night this will require an escort from the Coy concerned.

4. The BGIRO will complete Annex B - D of Ref A documentation for internees and make the decision on behalf of the CO as to whether the internment process is to be continued. If the arrestee is considered not to be an internee, then they will be detained or released, if they are considered to be an internee they will be transferred to TIF. This is a Bn Main responsibility under direction of the BGIRO, conducted by the Provo Sgt. The Ops Offr is to ensure that the necessary escorts are provided in a timely manner, the internee must be delivered to TIF within 14 hours of arrest. The Provo Sgt is responsible for handing over the internee to the MPS at TIF, complete with

the relevant documentation. The BGIRO is responsible for ensuring copies of the documentation are passed on to Bde and Div HQ.

COY RESPONSIBILITIES

5. Military Arrests. The Coy Ops Offr is to ensure that potential internees are reported to the BGIRO. The Coy is not to conduct Tactical Questioning (TQ), however the Coy is to question the arrestee to the extent necessary to clarify the status as a potential internee. The Coy is to take a digital photograph of the arrestee against a white board completed with the arrestee's, given name, address, DOB, DTG of arrest and alleged offence. This should be printed off for the BGIRO, black and white is sufficient, but colour is preferred. This photo complete with the witness statements is to accompany the arrestee to interview with the BGIRO. It must be understood that most rejected internees will become detainees and therefore arrestees should be dealt with accordingly. In such instances the Coy concerned will handover the arrestee to the Iraqi Police and tracking of the detainee becomes a Coy responsibility as per the current procedure.
6. Police Arrests. It is possible that the Iraqi Police may arrest someone who is a potential internee, under current police procedures this is unlikely without military supervision. However, as the police become more proactive this will increasingly become the case. OsC are to personally brief their police officers, on the difference between internees and detainees. Furthermore, any potential internees arrested by the police are to be considered by the OC and referred to the BGIRO as necessary. Coys need to put in place robust procedures for this conduit, as the 14 hour rule still applies from the point of initial arrest. The arresting policemen in this case become the witnesses for the internment documentation, the Coy concerned will therefore need to arrange for the BGIRO to interview the potential internee at the police station.
7. Wounded Internees. Whatever the nature of the crime of the internee or potential internee, they are entitled to medical attention. In the case of minor injury, the potential internee should be given medical aid as required and processed normally. In order to avoid delay this should be done by Coy medic or RMO if required. In the case of serious injury, including gunshot wounds, even if not life threatening, the arrestee should be moved to the Czech Military hospital for treatment. Other processing can be done there, if required to prevent delay, in this case the Coy concerned is to arrange for the BGIRO to conduct the interview at the hospital. Guarding of internees is a military responsibility and will fall to the arresting Coy. The 14 hour rule still applies, but those requiring longer medical attention will be moved to 202 Field Hospital. The documentation will be forwarded to TIF, Bde and Div HQ as normal.
8. Planned Lift Ops. In the case of planned lift ops, the BGIRO must be informed in advance of the details of the op. The OC responsible should liaise with the BGIRO, in order to complete a robust plan for timely processing of the potentially large numbers of internees that may result from such ops.



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