



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
800th MILITARY POLICE BRIGADE (I/R)
CAMP VICTORY, IRAQ
AE 09302



REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF


AFRC-CNV-AJ-CG

10 November 2003

MEMORANDUM FOR Lieutenant Colonel [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: REPRIMAND UP AR 600-37

1. On 8 November 2003 another six detainees escaped from the Baghdad Central Confinement Facility (BCCF). These escapes included a detainee accused of murdering a US soldier. This incident highlights the lapses in security existing at BCCF since the 320th MP Battalion assumed control of the installation. Various deficiencies and lapses have been brought to the attention of your staff by the 800th MP Brigade Headquarters personnel and others. I have personally brought these matters to your direct attention. Remedial action has been wholly inadequate. I am forced to conclude this results from a lack of leadership on your part.
2. We are fortunate no soldier or other prisoner was killed or seriously injured as a result of these lapses. We cannot wait until after such a preventable tragedy to act. This is your last warning. Correct deficiencies in security at BCCF immediately corrected or you will force implementation of more severe action.
3. This is an administrative reprimand imposed UP of AR 600-37, and not as punishment pursuant to Article 15, UCMJ.
4. I intend to file this reprimand in your Military Personnel Record Jacket (MPRJ). If you should decide to submit matters in rebuttal, extenuation or mitigation I will carefully consider them in making a final determination on imposition of this reprimand. You have one week from receipt of this memorandum to submit such matters, and the response, if any, should be by endorsement to this memorandum. I will withhold final decision on imposing or filing this memorandum until that time period has passed.


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