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FROM: Paul McHale, Assistant Secretary of Defense (Homeland Defense)

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SUBJECT: Fingerprint Match of Iraqi Detainee

- On October 30, 2004, the First Marine Expeditionary Force captured Abbass Hussein ALWAN at Anbar, Iraq. Detainee ALWAN was fingerprinted at Abu Ghraib. On November 11, 2004, his prints were transmitted to the DoD Biometrics Fusion Center for processing.
- During October 2004, analysts from the Terrorist Explosives Device Analytical Center collected latent fingerprint data from a 6-volt battery found within an unexploded IED captured in Iraq.
- After latent print analysis of the IED, the FBI confirmed a match with ALWAN's fingerprint on January 18, 2005 (TAB A).
- Immediately after the match, Army G-2 notified CENTCOM Force Protection leadership to ensure ALWAN was detained for further investigation. The investigation is expected to indicate the detainee's association with prior IED events which have resulted in Iraqi or US casualties. If confirmed, the detainee will be remanded to the appropriate legal authorities.
- Our office continues to monitor the transfer of DoD biometric data to the FBI. As of January 17th, DoD completed conversion of 69,800 paper-based 1991 era Persian Gulf War enemy prisoner-of-war records to the electronic format being used by the FBI.
- Thus far, biometric information collected on detainees and other persons of interest has resulted in 35 matches between DoD and FBI databases.

COORDINATION: DETAINEE AFFAIRS 09 FEB 05

Attachment:
As stated

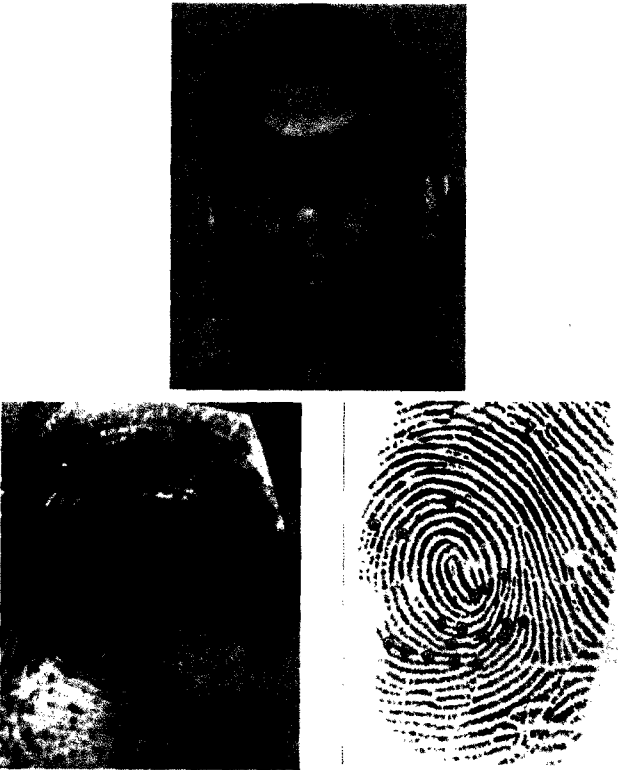
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IED Latent Fingerprint Matched to Iraqi Detainee on Jan 18, 2005

BIOMETRICS
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Name:
[REDACTED]

Date of Birth:
20 October 1980

Place of Birth:
Iraq

- ▶ Late 2004 - Iraq detainee fingerprinted with data sent to DoD Biometric Fusion Center (BFC)
- ▶ Jan 2005 - Terrorist Explosives Device Analytical Center (TEDAC) provided latent fingerprints recovered from an Improvised Explosive Device (IED) to BFC
 - ▶ BFC manually processed latent prints for use in DoD Automated Biometric Identification System (ABIS)
- ▶ Jan 18, 2005, BFC matched detainee's prints to latent images found on IED; the FBI Laboratory confirmed match
 - ▶ BMO/BFC coordinated identification of detainee with FBI, Army G-2, the National Ground Intelligence Center (NGIC), the National Detainee Reporting Center (NDRC), and CENTCOM
- ▶ Today - Suspect being detained by CENTCOM Force Protection Forces pending further investigation

Biometric Data

