

**June 16, 2005**

TO: Larry Di Rita  
FROM: Donald Rumsfeld  
SUBJECT: Detainee Paper

On this detainee paper, it seems to me that there are a couple of fixes we ought to make soon, like today:

- On the bottom of page 8, it says “further action pending on 13 soldiers.” a The term soldier means an enlisted army person. I think that word should be changed to read “personnel” or something generic because we don’t know who is in that 13, unless you do. But it looks funny, so find out who is in it, and let’s get a more generic word.
- Somewhere in here we have to have the fact that the Manchester document exists and that it specifically teaches people how to counter interrogation techniques. It specifically tells people to allege torture after they get out. That should have a bullet or two—it is important that people know that they have been taught to do that, they do do that, and it is a consistent pattern.
- The other thing that needs to be added in here is the fact that we have a transparent system. We’ve released all this stuff that is dribbling out via Freedom of Information, and the press repeating what we’ve already released to the Hill and the public makes it sound as though it is done two, three or four times and that it is new information. That is just not true. It’s not new information. It is a repetition.



- I think we also ought to think about telegraphing the photographs that are still out there and coming, so it doesn't surprise people.

Thanks.

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