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Definitely.

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Kelly, Heather

Friday, February 04, 2005 10:48 AM

Newman, Russ

RE: Army Surgeon General's Office

Russ – if he ends up coming into the office and I'm around, could you introduce me?

Heather

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Newman, Russ

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Kelly, Heather; Mumford, Geoffrey; Behnke, Stephen; Breckler, Steven J.

RE: Army Surgeon General's Office

Thanks for the update. I will likely see Morgan when he is in town next week. Russ
-----Original Message-----

Kelly, Heather

Wednesday, February 02, 2005 12:53 PM

 $\hbox{Mumford, Geoffrey; Behnke, Stephen; Breckler, Steven J.; Newman, Russ}$

Army Surgeon General's Office

Hi, guys:

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Yesterday I finally caught up with and talked at length with Col. Bruce Crow (PsyD), the chief psychology consultant in the Army Surgeon General's office. Very nice guy, headquartered at Walter Reed. Below are the highlights of our conversation, with the end result being that he and I are trying to find a date in March for him to come here and meet with us (I know Geoff and I are out the week of March 19-27).

- * Bruce was aware of the NEJM article and said that he knows that an internal group within the Army Surgeon General's office is currently reviewing the issue of mental health professionals and interrogations and putting together some sort of report. He doesn't know exactly who's on the team (but probably no psychologists) or what the exact time frame is for the report, though he expects it sometime early spring. He does know the team has talked extensively with "a psychologist" involved with the interrogation groups as part of its information-gathering process. He also knows that a variety of groups across DoD are looking at the issue but isn't sure if or how any are coordinating/collaborating.
- * He also has met with the other behavioral consultants within the SG's office to start planning something further on the topic perhaps a conference and they had all already agreed that input from disciplinary associations (MD, psychology, social work) would be very important to their process. He was very interested to hear that we've got a Board Task Force that is likely to be approved and in place shortly, and would be very interested in being an observer to that if possible.
- * He said Morgan Banks is no longer in Washington state but is now heading up the group on psychology applications at Ft. Bragg (where psyops also are coordinated) and that he thinks a separate meeting that includes Morgan would be great. He knew (as Russ had mentioned) that Morgan will be here in the next week or so, but Bruce says it's relatively easy to get him to come up for a meeting later on. All of February is out for Bruce, who's on TDY. Heather

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