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From: Newman, Russ
Sent: Fri 7/28/2006 4:01 PM (GMT-00:00)
To: Anderson, Norman
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Subject: FW: [APABODEMG] FW: [SPSMM] Salon article on APA stance on interrogations

Norman,

The link below might be helpful, and you may want to send to the Board. It is a report, released a year ago, of the assessment done at the direction of the Army Surgeon General of all medical personnel operations related to OIE, OIF and the Global War on Terror. It was not considered an investigation, but where fact finding warranted, a number of specific cases were sent for investigation. The report specifically addresses the Behavioral Science Consultation Teams (BSCT) and says, among other things, "**There is no indication that BSCT personnel participated in abusive interrogation practices.**"

<http://www.armymedicine.army.mil/news/detmedopsrpt/detmedopsrpt.cfm>).

While it is possible that new information not found at the time of this assessment may have since been uncovered, this assessment was very comprehensive and did look at classified materials. It is definitely reasonable to conclude that if there had been cases of psychologist inappropriate action, they would have been referred for further investigation as a result of this assessment. My understanding is that there were no cases referred.

The attached report has other interesting things such as the recommendation (made prior to the American Psychiatric Association's policy statement I believe) that psychiatrists NOT be used in the BSCT. It is a 215 page report, so I am also including a link to an Army online news article that provides an executive summary of the report.

<http://www.medicine.army.mil/news/mercury/05-09/20051028detainee.cfm>

Russ

-----Original Message-----

From: APA's Board of Directors Executive Management Group [mailto:APABODEMG@LISTS.APA.ORG] **On Behalf Of** Lisa Robin Grossman, Ph.D,
Sent: Friday, July 28, 2006 11:02 AM
To: APABODEMG@LISTS.APA.ORG
Subject: Re: [APABODEMG] FW: [SPSMM] Salon article on APA stance on interrogations

In a message dated 7/28/2006 7:47:22 AM Central Standard Time, levant@UAKRON.EDU writes:

But there has been suspicion that psychologists have advised on techniques to induce mental stress on detainees that would lead them to yield up information.

All: I keep on reading things like this and it is not clear to me what our response is. Do we know that there has been no advisement of this kind? Do we not know but can't prove it one way or another? What do we know about what the psychologists were actually doing in the interrogation process, if anything, with the detainees? And exactly what advisement about interrogations by psychologists are we saying is

acceptable? Note that I am trying to make a distinction between psychologists participating in interrogations with detainees and other type of forensic situations like criminal profiling, etc. I think it is vital that membes of the Board are all clear on issues like this so that we can respond individually to others.

Thanks much.

Lisa