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COL Nance,

Defense opposes having plainclothes MPs in the gallery absent a demonstrated need. It's overkill.

Sincerely,

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**Subject:** US v. Bergdahl - logistics plan

Sir,

The following is an outline of the logistics and PAO plan for proceedings in US v. Bergdahl.

Public Affairs Office -

The Fort Bragg PAO office has and will continue to provide support on this case. PAO provides notice to the media of upcoming court dates, requires pre-registration by interested media, inprocesses all media attending the proceeding, stages the media vehicle convoy for escort on -post, and responds to inquiries during the proceedings themselves. Depending on the size of the media presence at event, the PAO is prepared to support in the courtroom overflow room, and will also operate a separate media operations center across the parking lot from the Courthouse at the Soldier Support Center (SRC). PAO will continue to work with the military police to ensure proper staging, security and escort (on post and off post), of all media vehicles, and follow-on to ensure proper staging at the courthouse media staging area in the courthouse parking lot.

Security -

The Fort Bragg PMO has a standing Operations Order for all court proceedings at the Courthouse and will provide security under that OPORD as it did during the 22 December arraignment proceedings. Military police will provide security inside the courthouse (with additional manpower based on anticipated volume of attendees) and also ensure an adequate military police presence to properly manage the media convoy, traffic flow outside the courthouse in the parking lot, and in the media staging area.

Logistics -

The OSJA has ongoing coordination with the Accused's command at JBSA to ensure the presence of the Accused at all required proceedings.

Overflow room/video feed -

Judge Fredrikson ordered a tiered opening of the overflow rooms during the 22 December arraignment. His instructions were that if the courtroom was filled, the courthouse overflow room would open and its video feed would be turned on. If the courthouse overflow room was filled, the media overflow room (with audio feed only) could be opened in the SRC. The courthouse overflow room and the media overflow room at the SRC would be treated as extensions of the courtroom and required a bailiff, security and normal electronic device restrictions.

Additionally -

The Government had the following RFIs for the Court:

- 1) Will you allow two plainclothes MPs in the courtroom gallery?
- 2) Will you allow the Fort Bragg PMO to replace the current metal detector with an updated one if it becomes available?
- 3) Will you allow a video feed into the SRC media overflow room? G6 has installed the capability to run the courthouse overflow room video feed into the SRC. Therefore, if the SRC overflow room was opened, it would have the same video view capabilities as the courthouse overflow room. The same court restrictions would apply (presence of a bailiff, security, electronic device restrictions).

Please let me know if you require additional information.

V/R  
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