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Soldier saves base from attack

4TH BCT (ABN.), 25TH INF. DIV.

KALSU — A Coalition patrol base was attacked by a truck borne improvised explosive device, Sept. 1 in the Chaka III region.

As the vehicle attempted to enter the patrol base, Paratroopers from Company C, 3rd Battalion, 509th Airborne, 4th Brigade Combat Team (Airborne), 25th Infantry Division engaged the vehicle with heavy machine gun fire.

The bomb detonated, destroying a portion of the perimeter wall.

"I told him to stop and he started going for a hard right turn, and then at that time I began to engage him," said Spc. Tyler Watson, a Paratrooper from Jasper, Ala. "I got about two or three rounds off with my (M249) SAW, and that is when he blew it. After that, I wound up on the ground, unconscious for about a minute and a half."

The patrol base also received heavy enemy mortar and small arms fire.

"We immediately returned fire to the palm grove to our southeast. We saw the mortar team launch there, and machine-gun fire ... so they put a lock on with 50 cal," said Capt. John Henry, a Company C platoon leader from Vero Beach,

One Paratrooper sustained minor injuries while repelling the at-

Paratroopers from Company C use the patrol base as a staging point for vehicle and foot patrols in the Chaka III region.



Courtesy photo

Soldiers from the 3rd Georgian Brigade practice unarmed self defense moves during a weeklong detention operations training class.

Georgians get lock on detention ops

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3rd Inf. Div. detention ops NCOIC

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War and the Geneva

214TH FIRES BRIGADE

FOB DELTA - Coalition and U.S. Soldiers received training in detention

operations to ensure all detainees are treated with dignity and respect.

Thirty soldiers from the 3rd Georgian Brigade and three U.S. Soldiers with the 984th Military Police Company from Fort Carson, Colo., were trained on the 37

critical detention operations tasks directed by the Multi-National Corps-Iraq policy, said Sgt. 1st Class T.J. Stoica, the

3rd Infantry Division's detention operations NCO in charge. The training is required for anyone working in a detention facility. FOB Delta has short-term

detention capa-

bilities.

"The tasks were set forth to ensure the Laws of War and the Geneva Convention followed and that there is humane treatment of prisoners," said Stoica, who is assigned to the 720th Military Police Battalion from Fort Hood,

Texas. "The tasks help to ensure that

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Cholera outbreak not epidemic

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BAGHDAD — Initial reports of an outbreak of Cholera in the northern Iraqi province of Sulaymania may have been overstated.

Since Aug.10, there have been 70 confirmed cases of the disease and more than 4,000 reports of severe diarrhea and vomiting, said Col. Glynda Lucas, Multi-National Corps-Iraq Clinical Operations Chief.

"Right now, this appears to be an outbreak," she said. "It is not an epi-

demic. It is typical for these areas in Iraq to have Cholera at this time of year." Cholera is a disease marked by vomiting, cramps, dehydration and diarrhea.

Lucas added that cases of severe vomiting and diarrhea are also common, but are not necessarily Cholera.

The Iraqi government has taken steps to contain the disease and prevent it from spreading to other areas.

"The Iraqi Ministry of Health has a handle on this," Lucas said. "At every step of the way, they (have) responded appropriately." Lucas added that the Ministry of Health and the Iraqi government has years of experience with Cholera outbreaks and asking for assistance is just one of the many proper steps in dealing with it.

The World Health Organization reports that Cholera is typically a waterborne bacteria transmitted from contaminated food and water between persons. This outbreak is different, as reported by the two-person MNC-I team working with the provincial gov-

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Coalition, Iraqi forces detain 16 suspected terrorists

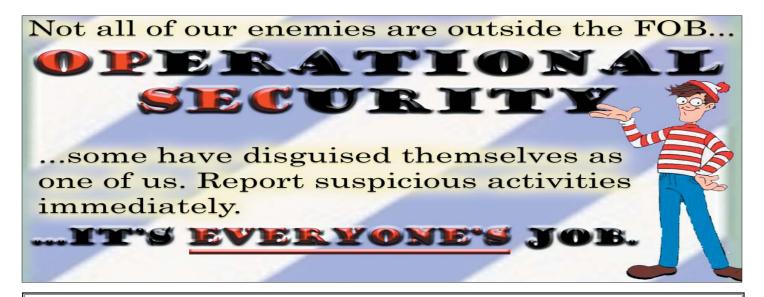
2ND BCT, 10TH MTN. DIV. (LI)

MAHMUDIYAH — Coalition and Iraqi Forces detained 16 suspected terrorists during a combat air assault operation in Mahmudiyah Sept. 1.

Soldiers of the 2nd Battalion, 15th Field Artillery Regiment, 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 10th Mountain Division

(Light Infantry) out of Fort Drum, N.Y., and the 4th Brigade, 6th Iraqi Army Division detained the suspected terrorists during Operation Eagle Chickmauga, an operation intended to deny the enemy safe haven within the area.

The operation was targeted against Shia extremist groups in the Mahmudiyah area. While searching houses in the area 59 Iraqis were questioned, but 16 were detained.



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GEORGIANS: 720th MPs train Georgian soldiers on detention ops



Courtesy photo

Sgt. 1st Class T.J. Stoica demonstrates an unarmed self defense move during detention operations training class at FOB Delta.

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detainee operations run without incidents."

Among the classes taught were unarmed self-defense, tower guard, prisoner escort, movement of detainees inside and outside a detention facility, apprehension, frisk searching a detainee, the Geneva Convention, Law of War, and safety classes.

The weeklong class usually combines classroom instruction with hands-on practical exercises, said Stoica. However, this class was geared toward hands-on training.

"I created scenarios to guide the learning objectives versus the classroom environment because of the language barrier," said Stoica. "The (Georgian) soldiers are very handson. They learn easier seeing it as they do it."

CHOLERA: Initial reports of epidemic in Sulaymania were overstated

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ernment.

"This does not appear to be a waterborne outbreak," Lucas said. "Initial reports from MNC-I personnel on the ground indicate that most of the hospital patients in Sulaymania do not have other people ill who are using the same water source -- friends, families and neighbors."

"The risk of Cholera spreading to Baghdad is reasonably low," Lucas said. "If it should, the government of Iraq and the Ministry of Health have trained and experienced medical personnel who, working with the WHO and the International Medical Corps, would be able to respond, identify the source and correct the issues (spreading the disease)."

Sulaymania, one of the provinces completely run by the Iraqi Provincial Government, has no U.S. military personnel stationed inside its borders.

The risk of transmission to Soldiers is low.

If anyone experiences vomiting, dehydration and diarrhea, the hallmark symptoms of Cholera, they should con-

tinue to drink fluids and rest if possible, Lucas advised.

"Anyone who has severe symptoms where they cannot keep anything down and have severe, watery diarrhea, should seek medical attention immediately," Lucas said.

She added that most cases of vomiting and diarrhea are viral and do not respond to antibacterial treatments. Cholera is caused by bacteria and antibiotics can shorten the illness.

"The most effective and important treatment is replenishing lost fluids and salts," she said. "Severe diarrhea can lead to dehydration and muscle cramps from a loss of salts. This is why oral rehydration solutions contain a small amount of sugar with the correct ratio of salts to replenish the body."

Intravenous fluids are used for the most severe cases but the body actually responds faster to oral rehydration.

Lucas advises that those with severe cases of dehydration avoid sports drinks and sodas, which have high sugar concentrations that can worsen severe diarrhea.

"When a rehydration solution is not available, a reasonable substitute is to drink water from a safe source and eat MRE crackers or saltine-type crackers," she said.

Safety Thought of the Day

EML Safety

- Ensure all Soldiers, at a minimum, receive a thorough safety briefing on the following prior to departure:
- POV and Motorcycle safety (seatbelt use and proper PPE)
- Effects of fatigue, the consumption of alcohol and use of designated drivers
 - Recreational safety
- Ensure all Soldiers are briefed on the CG's

EML safety message and view his EML safety video prior to departure.

- While on EML, remember to continue to assess the risks involved in your activities.
- Enjoy your EML and return refreshed and safe to continue the fight against terrorism.
- The Division EML Message can be found in FRAGO 49 dated 17 May 07 or on the safety webpage.

Headline Highlights

Smashed-open house; severed-finger protest

Tenth time's the charm

BERLIN (Reuters) — A German man said Thursday he feared he may have built his own tomb after a vehicle ploughed into his house for the 10th time.

"If we stay, someone's eventually going to kill us. We're living in a time bomb," Manfred Sedlazek, 59, told Reuters.

Sedlazek is reluctant to leave the house he built himself, which is on a bend of a busy road, but said it may be his only chance of survival.

Earlier this week, a 40-tonne truck blasted through the side of the red-brick house in the village of Karlshoefen, in northern Germany. Sedlazek returned home from shopping to find the shattered vehicle sticking out of his living room.

Police estimated the damage at more than 100,000 euros (\$136,100).

Nine previous smashes into the two-storey building Sedlazek shares with his wife have wrecked his kitchen, bedroom and garden, causing damage worth tens of thousands of euros.

Helmsley leaves \$12 million to her dog

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NEW YORK (Reuters) — Real estate billionaire Leona Helmsley left \$12 million in her will for her dog Trouble but cut out two of her four grandchildren entirely.

Helmsley, the "Queen of Mean" who was famously quoted as saying "only the little people pay taxes" before going

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to jail for tax evasion, died August 20 at 87.

The 14-page will was made public in Surrogate's Court on Tuesday and reported in New York media on Wednesday, with the New York Post headlining the story "Rich bitch," referring to the female dog.

Trouble, a white Maltese, will be cared for by Helmsley's brother Alvin Rosenthal, who was left \$10 million.

Two grandchildren, David and Walter Panzirer, will be left \$5 million each as long as they visit their father's grave at least once a year — Helmsley's son, Jay Panzirer, died in 1982 — and her chauffeur will get \$100,000.

"I have not made any provisions in this will for my grandson Craig Panzirer or my granddaughter Meegan Panzirer for reasons which are known to them," Helmsley wrote.

The will calls for Trouble to be entombed alongside Helmsley and husband Harry Helmsley, who died in 1997, in their \$1.4 million mausoleum, for which Leona Helmsley set aside \$3 million for upkeep including annual cleanings.

A spokesman for Helmsley declined to comment on the will.

Helmsley was convicted of evading \$1.7 million in taxes in 1989 and served 18 months in federal prison.

At trial a former housekeeper recounted that Helmsley had once told her: "We don't pay taxes. Only little people pay taxes."

Helmsley denied making the state-

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Much of her estimated \$4 billion for-

tune is tied up in Helmsley Enterprises, which will be controlled by five people, Walter and David Panzirer, Rosenthal, Helmsley's lawyer and a Helmsley adviser, the New York Post reported.

Other proceeds from the sale of her estate are destined for a charitable trust.

Man severs finger in protest

TOKYO (Reuters) — A member of a Japanese right-wing group was arrested Thursday after he sent his severed little finger to the ruling party's head-quarters in protest at Prime Minister Shinzo Abe's failure to visit a Tokyo war shrine.

Abe stayed away from Yasukuni Shrine on the August 15 anniversary of the nation's World War Two surrender, avoiding a slight to those in China and Korea who see the shrine as a symbol of Japan's past militarism.

The 54-year-old man was arrested on suspicion of making threats after he sent his finger to the Liberal Democratic Party headquarters in Tokyo, said a police official in Okayama Prefecture, western Japan.

The envelope also contained a letter of protest and a disk showing images of the man cutting off his finger, the official said.

"I thought they would ignore me if I just sent the letter, so I put my little finger in as well," Kyodo news agency quoted the man as telling police.

Removing part of a finger is a traditional form of punishment or atonement among gangsters in Japan.

from Sudoku: The Original Brain Workout From Japan

Solution to Saturday's puzzle:

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ARABIC WORD OF THE DAY

What? shih-noo?