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9 Sep 15

MINUTES OF THE OP NORTHMOOR GOLD STRATEGIC MEETING HELD AT CAMPION LINES ON TUE 8 SEP 15

Present	Lt Col J McAllister Mr M Bottomley Det Supt P Williamson Capt J Wright Name Given WO2 Carey T Name Given SSgt Ridley A	Gold GMP MCRT NCA ROCC SIO Tm 1 DSIO Tm 1 DSIO Tm 2 DSIO Tm 3 MIR	Chairman Sec
In Attendance	Nil		
Apologies	Maj M Penman Capt S Robbins Capt D Moorcroft WO1 R Russell WO1 D Hayes WO2 Haslett S WO2 Duce Z	Silver SIO Tm 3 2ic Ops Sp Offr SIO Tm 2 MIR Manager DSIO2 Tm 2	

Item 1 – Introduction

1. Lt Col McAllister opened the meeting.

Item 2 – Gold Strategic Update

2. Lt Col McAllister discussed the issue of the waivering of legal privilege regarding operational legal advice. The Secretary of State for Defence has waivered legal privilege for operational legal advice. He stated that the new DGALS, Brig Ridge, has declined to provide advice to armed forces lawyers regarding any interviews they me be required to provide, leaving it to the lawyers professionalism and standards regarding their interviews. Det Supt Williamson suggested that professional advice may be required regarding legal privilege, however, following discussion, it was decided that this may complicate issues.

3. The subject of legal adviser recusal was discussed as it has been noted that some members of ALS staff have been involved in aspects of events under investigation in the form of legal advice. Capt Wright stated that, to date, nothing had been encountered which would suggest that any legal officer was considered a suspect, only witnesses, therefore there maybe no requirement for their recusal at the current time. In light of this, a question was raised as to how much information can be disclosed to DSP. Gold will speak to DSP with regards to the selection of legal officers who will have interaction with NORTHMOOR. Legal officers will be interviewed in the normal course of business, however, will be shown an approved extract from the SSDs direction and a note made of this in the statement.

4. Lt Col McAllister reported that a meeting had taken place with Cdr Hawkins, IHAT with regards to the sharing of information and generic legal advice. It has been agreed that RFIs can be sent to the IHAT MIR in order to search against their database for NORTHMOOR persons of interest, details of 3 nominals have been submitted to IHAT as a trial. It is envisaged that in the future, a system will be in place whereby if IHAT become aware of relevant information they will automatically provide notification to NORTHMOOR and vice versa. DSP has since been requested to share generic legal advice to ensure clarity.

Action

Gold

5. Following the closure of the murder aspect of the Op CESTRO investigation, new facts have emerged which makes it worthy for Team 1 to conduct further investigations. SIB Regt RMP interview leads will provide support.

SIO Tm 1

6. CRP. A number of investigations will be put to the CRP with a view to them being pended due to the threat to life involved in searching for complainants whose location is unknown.

SIO Tm 2

7. After being requested to clarify the crime classification for offences involving complainants being submerged in water, Lt Col McAllister requested further information on the incidents before making a decision.

SIO Tm 2

8. The deployment of elements of NORTHMOOR will take place regardless of the availability of Leigh Day and Co and is not to be unnecessarily delayed any further. Approval is required from the Secretary of State for Defence to accommodate LDC in Afghanistan and the presentational and legal risks have been highlighted. A Ministerial Submission has been compiled and is awaiting comment from interested parties. Lt Col McAllister stated that he has no control over the assets which are to be used for the possible LDC deployment, if the owners of those assets refuse, it will be down to them to justify this. Lt Col McAllister will speak with Lt Col Logan regarding the NORTHMOOR deployment.

Gold

Item 3 – Tm 1/Silver update

9. The interim solution at HMS Collingwood has been delayed due to the requirement to purchase computer software. Once obtained, the software will be required to be tested and then approved by security accreditors. Despite authority being given to start research work at Collingwood prior to the completion of RMADs, these must now be completed before any work begins. 133 points have been identified as needing to be changed in the initial draft.

10. It was highlighted that a one page business case was required for the early implementation of HOLMES [REDACTED] at RAF St Mawgan.

SSgt Ridley

11. Capt Wright stated that arrangements are in hand for an ECA to be conducted on hardware held by his team. Further, meetings have been arranged at HQ DSF on Tue 22 Sep 15 and at [REDACTED] on Wed 30 Sep 15 to discuss [REDACTED] data.

12. An MI report regarding the [REDACTED] RAF St Mawgan [REDACTED] is in the process of being downgraded from [REDACTED] its classification. Carillion Amey are on standby to start the required works.

13. It was highlighted that an early move of staff to St Mawgan would be to the detriment of productivity due to a current lack of DII access and infrastructure. Gold stated that no moves would take place until they were considered appropriate.

Item 4 - Team 2 update

14. WO2 Carey stated that a meeting has been arranged for Mon 12 Oct 15 with the RAF Police in order to correct errors in 17 ISPOTIC files.

15. Four laptops previously used by the FCO in [REDACTED] LG (Not A) [REDACTED] have been obtained in order to help facilitate video link interviews. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

Cost implications for their use would include the purchase of appropriate cameras and the installation of an internet link into any facility used to conduct the interviews.

Operational security details

Item 5 - Team 3 update

17. [Name Given] informed the meeting that to date, 2270 detainee files have been processed.

18. Research work to identify further LDC claimants is on going. Following previous direction by Gold, it has been accepted that links by association are acceptable provided that the evidence to support those links is strong enough. Any identifications made are to be submitted to Silver for approval.

19. Agreement has been made for Op NORTHMOOR Lance Corporals who are undergoing the Babcock Apprenticeship, to be provided training and assessments in order to complete the programme. This may have a minor impact on the processing of detainee files.

SIO Tm 3

Item 6 – MIR update

20. SSgt Ridley advised that the delay in the move to RAF St Mawgan was making it difficult for the MIR to cope with the amount of documents being received on current manning levels.

Item 7 – HQ update

21. Work is progressing with regards to the move of the NORTHMOOR investigation to RAF St Mawgan, however, security matters are creating delay.

Item 8 – NCA ROCC update

22. Det Supt Williamson stated that his latest recommendations document has been distributed. [NCA E2] has completed his assessment of the interrogation footage submitted to the Hussein Enquiry and his report on his findings will distributed shortly.

23. It is essential that the main lines of enquiry are adequately monitored and updated wherever necessary.

24. Following the coincidental discovery of NORTHMOOR relevant information by Sam Robins, Intelligence Manager at Surrey Police, it was recommended that a National Intelligence Requirement be distributed to seek any further information held by relevant agencies. Capt Wright stated that this was already in hand and was being handled by FIB.

25. Changes have been made to the protocol regarding the interviewing of SF, however, [DSF] will not supply a copy due to the caveat of the document.

Item 9 - GMP MCRT update

26. Gold meetings will now be held on a regular monthly basis in order to allow key personalities to meet and discuss important strategic level issues and provide updates on progress. If unable to attend, interested parties may dial in to the meeting over Polycom system.

All

27. The importance of maintaining policy files was highlighted.

All SIOs

28. Mr Bottomley requested to be provided a copy of any unlawful killing files after they have been presented and dealt with by the CRP, for review. Other files may be subject to review on a case by case basis.

All SIOs

Item 10 - AOB

29. Nil

Item 11 - DONM

30. TBC

Item 12 - Tm 1 Sensitive update (closed session)

31. An update was provided by Capt Wright to a restricted audience regarding sensitive Tm 1 investigations.

Name Given

DSIO T3