From: Lourens Badenhorst
Sent: Wednesday, March 31, 2004 11:30 PM
To: Smith, Cathy; Len Swain
Subject: FW: Security issues

FYI summary of notes and mails of what was described to me at Monday afternoon's meeting held at Camp Taji this is in sharp contrast to the bells and whistles described in all mails I have read and seen from Mr. Tim Tapp and Jim Brown defending the position every time I have spoken to him about the burning issues.

Regards
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-----Original Message-----
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Sent: 30 March 2004 18:58
To: hilton.vandeventer[redacted] Lourens Badenhorst
Subject: Security issues

This will clarify where Blackwaters position is Hope it helps Between us Tom

From: "Mike Rush" [redacted]
>To: "Tom Powell" [redacted],<justin[redacted],"Brian
>Berrey" [redacted]
>CC: <RTTapp[redacted]
>Subject: RE: Thuraya Phones / Support etc
>Date: Tue, 30 Mar 2004 09:19:00 -0500
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>Tom, First off, I know you are the right man for the Baghdad office and
>will make this work. But allow me to point out a couple of things. You
>are right about vehicles and comms being the responsibility of RHHS.
>And you are right, you and JP worked this for quite some time.
>
>We have a contract to support five 6 man teams, not ten. The expansion
>to support ESS D&B is yet to be completely identified, let alone
>contracted.
>
>There is no order for "Hard Cars". The contract only allows for
>"hardening" and yes I realize that is not optimum. That is never going
>to be totally fixed but it should be addressed. Body armor for the
>client is not our responsibility either. I am including Tim on this
>email since it is in fact up to RHHS to fix some of the things you
>mentioned, particularly reliable vehicles.
>
>Continue to do what you can but we are counting on you to draw the line
>when it is not safe or prudent to conduct operations in unreliable
>vehicles or in an unsafe manner.
>
>FITH
>Mike
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>-----Original Message-----
>From: Tom Powell [redacted]
>Sent: Tuesday, March 30, 2004 1:01 AM
>To: justinm[redacted] Mike Rush; Brian Berrey
>Subject: Re: Thuraya Phones / Support etc
>
>GROUND TRUTH
>
>Guys this reality
>I have NO Thurayas from ESS/CRG at this Time date
>
>I have vehicles that I have sent to Jordan for a pickup that are
>suspect The ones going to Kuwait are in bad shape The Baghdad ones look
>like this two with bearing and wheel problems one is overheating
>
>I have an ops vehicle that I rented of the streets to insure I have a
>CAT
>
>Today is the 30th of March
>The shopping days should be over and Equiptment forwarded ASAP
>
>The SitREPs By Regency/RHHC I'm reading are very mis leading and
>bougus on the surface
>
>I need NEW VEHICLES by the 3rd of april 2004 along with 10 teams to
>meet the needs of the client here in Baghdad one for each team and two
>in reserve at the ops shop
>
>I need Comms
>I have only borrowed hand helds
>
>the 4 Iruridums have Problem
>The numbers and associated comm plan is wrong I will address this in
>the next mail
>
>I need Ammo 9mm and 556
>I need Glocks and M4s
>
>all the client Body armor you got
>
>I need help in the office/ this is a two man operation and when they
>split offices on the 3rd I will need 2 more totalling 4 office
>personnel
>
>I'm still unsure of the contractual who's responsible for what and
>frankly It's out of my lane
>
>But guys are in the field with borrowed stuff and in harms way with the
>client to which I'm very unconfortable with given the up coming events
>with 5 million Shiea moving into Karbala in 5 days.
>
>I have requested Hard cars from the beginning and from my undersatnding
>an order is still pending Why I ask?
>
>The client wants them/ get them!
>
>It my understanding that someone in Kuwait made a decision to go with
>suburbans that are used Bad idea!
>
>MY only hope is that Justin see thru the smoke and mirror show and
>believe's me when I'm telling him that all is not what it seems
>
>Justin knows what he has to forward and realizes that it's just enough
>to sustain the appearance of gear/ and an operational capibility
>

>Please Justin send your sitreps to the Client with reality based
>information and speak on behalf of Blackwater
>
>We were promised from the start that the Vehicles letters radios,
>computers and all the other line items would be ready by RHHC
>
>If my memory serves me Regency was excited to recieve it's contract on
>the 5th and JP and I have work this issue since 5 December
>
>They have had plenty of time to act on getting gear and equipment
>forward an allowing RHHC to send sitreps to the client not reflecting
>Ground Truth is appauling
>
>Patiently waiting
>TOM
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> >From: RTTAPPatRegency[redacted]
> >To: mrush[redacted] tompinpcb[redacted],
>justinm[redacted]
> > bberrey[redacted]
> >CC: bberrey[redacted] swyant[redacted]
> >Subject: Re: Thuraya Phones / Support etc
> >Date: Mon, 29 Mar 2004 23:44:52 EST
> >
> >Mike,
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> >Do not loose sleep over this one. RHHC is repsonsible for comms and
> >vehicles. He means RHHC. We have an accountant full time on just
> >the accounting for ESS. Jim sees RHHC/BW as one. Once we get
>
> >will
> >sit down and reconcile everything on this end with Justin. He is
>keeping
> >good
> >records, hand receipts, etc.
> >
> >Provided him with $5,000 in cash last night for use as petty cash and
>for
> >Tom
> >up North to handle out of pocket things. Hand receipted to Justin.
> >
> >DBA has been wired by ESS last week. Typical banking BS though.
> >They
>sit
> >on
> >your dollars and get a fee to do it. Since it is a dollar
> >transaction
>had
> >to
> >go through their corresponding bank then back to us. Going forward
>this
> >won't happen again. We straightened this out last night with them.
>Soon
> >as the
> >dollars hit we are transferring to Sara Payne with all info copied to
>BW.
> >TT

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