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### REDACTED REPORT 10-2

**Classification:** SECRET

**Date:** 6/14/2005 3:30:00 PM

**Region:** MNF-W

**Category:** Escalation of Force

**Coordinates (approx):** 33.43, 43.26

**Title:** SCALATION OF FORCE BY 1-5 IVO [REDACTED] [REDACTED]: 7 CIV KILLED, 2 CIV INJ, 0 CF

#### **Report:**

AT 1530D, THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ATTEMPTED TO STOP A VEHICLE WITH HAND AND ARM SIGNALS BEFORE THE VEHICLE GOT CLOSE TO THE CORDON THAT HAD BEEN ESTABLISHED AFTER THE SVBIED ATTACK. A MAROON 4-DOOR OPEL DISREGARDED ALL HAND AND ARM SIGNALS AND CONTINUED AT A HIGH RATE OF SPEED. THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ENGAGED THE VEHICLE WITH WARNING SHOTS AS IT APPROACHED FROM THE EAST ON [REDACTED]. THE VEHICLE DISREGARDED THE WARNING SHOTS AND ACCELERATED TOWARD THE CORDON SET AT THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. THE CORDON AT THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] CONSISTED OF HMMWV GUN TRUCKS IN THE CENTER OF THE ROAD, AND DISMOUNTED MARINES PROVIDING SECURITY IN AND OFF TO THE SIDE OF THE ROAD, AND SIX LARGE ORANGE CONES IN THE ROAD ON THE NORTH SIDE OF THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] ENGAGED THE GRILL OF THE VEHICLE WITH WARNING AND DISABLING SHOTS AT APPROXIMATELY 150 METERS FROM THE CORDON. THE VEHICLE CONTINUED TO DISREGARD THE SAF FROM THE OP AND CONTINUED TOWARD THE ESTABLISHED CORDON. THE DISMOUNTED MARINES SAID THE VEHICLE ACCELERATED AS IT APPROACHED THE CONES AT THE NORTH END OF THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED]. WHEN THE VEHICLE DID NOT STOP, THE [REDACTED] [REDACTED] [REDACTED] AND 1/5 JUMP WHICH WAS PART OF THE CORDON ENGAGED THE FRONT GRILL OF THE VEHICLE AT APPROXIMATELY 100 METERS BUT THE VEHICLE CONTINUED TO APPROACH AT 40-45 MPH. WHEN THE VEHICLE DID NOT STOP AFTER ALL THE WARNING SHOTS, THE MARINES ENGAGED THE DRIVER TO STOP THE VEHICLE. THE VEHICLE WAS STOPPED DIRECTLY IN FRONT OF THE ORANGE CONES. THERE WERE A TOTAL OF 11X CIVILIANS IN THE VEHICLE. THE ENGAGEMENT RESULTED IN 7X CIV KILLED (2X WERE CHILDREN) AND 2X CIV INJ. THE LARGE NUMBER OF CIVILIAN KIA RESULTED FROM THE FAMILY HAVING PLACED THEIR CHILDREN ON THE FLOOR BOARDS OF THE VEHICLE. THE DISABLING SHOTS AIMED AT THE GRILL

ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE TRAVELED THROUGH THE VEHICLE LOW TO THE FLOOR BOARDS  
CAUSING THE LARGE NUMBER OF KIA. NO CF INJ/DAMAGE.