

Command Comments (MNC-I and MNF-I), Tab A to USCENTCOM

Final Report
Reference

**DODIG DRAFT REPORT (28 DEC 2007)
PROJECT NUMBER D2006-000LQ-0254.000**

"AUDIT OF POTABLE AND NONPOTABLE WATER IN IRAQ"

MNC/F-I SURGEON COMMENTS

1. We recommend that the Commander, Multinational Force-Iraq:

a. Establish a water board made up of each of the major organizations responsible for purification and oversight of water (Defense Contract Management Agency, Army Sustainment Command Logistics Civil Augmentation Program, Multinational Corps - Iraq Preventive Medicine, Veterinary Services, and Field Sanitation Teams' representatives) to serve as a forum for identifying and resolving problems as they arise and ensure proper oversight is accomplished.

MNC/F-I SURGEON RESPONSE: MNF-I concurs with the recommendation provided in this Draft DODIG Report. The Water Quality Board has been established (see SOP attached), and has met 24 April 2007, 31 May 2007, 5 Oct 2007, 4 Nov 2007, 18 Dec 2007, and 8 Jan 2008 either separately, or in conjunction with the monthly Preventive Medicine Forum. During these meetings, subjects that have been discussed are: Iraqi Theater-specific Requirements for Sanitary Control and Surveillance of Field Water Supplies, Tab D to Appendix 2 to Annex Q to MNC-I SOP 06-04 update, KBR requirements for reporting locations and status of all KBR ROWPUs and storage containers, and upcoming water projects such as well-drilling or ROWPU movements.

b. Provide all in-bound military and civilian personnel written information that discusses the proper use of potable and nonpotable water.

MNC/F-I SURGEON RESPONSE: MNF-I partially concurs with the recommendation provided in this Draft DODIG Report. As stated in the MNF-I response dated 14 May 2007 to the DoD IG findings dated 31 March 2007, Mayor's cells are responsible to brief newcomers on what they do in their new environment when deployed to Iraq. It is required in that orientation to provide information concerning the consumption of bottled water versus the use of non-potable water in ablutions and water from the tap in Iraqi buildings. Additionally, LOGCAP and other life support contractors are required to post signs at all locations where they provide water to a building or other structure that states that the water is non potable.

MNC-I COMMENTS

2. We recommend that the Commander, Multinational Corps-Iraq:

a. Develop and maintain a comprehensive inventory of military water purification units operating in Iraq that includes:

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