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3rd ACR reinvestigated the allegations by [REDACTED] concerning the problems in Anha. They engaged using [REDACTED]. They were unable to substantiate his claims. [REDACTED] assessed the town as permissive and although the town and government officials are not overly friendly, they appear willing to work with the coalition. All members of the council, the mayor and the police chief have signed the Ba'athist disavowal form. I asked 3 ACR to attempt to locate [REDACTED] but [REDACTED] were unable to do so up to this point. They will continue to attempt to speak with him. If we could have [REDACTED] contact us directly or visit us at Al Asad or Ar Ramadi, we will be able to better address his concerns. Let us know what you want us to do further to remove the DSD's concerns.

ATW!

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] wanted to follow up on an item you and I briefly discussed while we were in Iraq. Specifically -- Anha City.

Below is what I sent to the DSD after our visit there. See where I have **BOLDED**. The DSD has since heard some more on Anha City, and has now requested an update from you on the city. Also, the DSD wanted to know if any further contact been made with [REDACTED] to verify that there is not a re-emerging presence of the Baathists in the city? You can see some earlier email trails on this subject, although they may not be pertinent at this time.

Could you in the next week provide an assessment on the situation in Anha City which I could pass directly to the DSD?

Thanks - [REDACTED] ^{OSD} 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(2),(6)

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Sir -- to close out this note.

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-- You did meet with [redacted] Cdr, 2d Bde, 82d Abn Div. working for the 1st AD in Baghdad (incidentally - [redacted] had tremendous praise for [redacted] performance)

-- We did send the Anha City email data to [redacted] When I asked him for a debrief from your discussion with him he said the Anha City subject did not come up, but that he had researched it and said that whatever problems there were before as the email says they have since been fixed. Can ask him for a written response if you desire.

V/r--

[redacted signature block]

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Can we follow up on this while we're in Iraq? Is this in the AO of the 82nd?

By the way, a separate subject, Gen. Myers had the name of mid-level commander in the 82nd who sounds like he would be worthwhile visiting with, if there were a way to do it without calling too much attention. (Probably too hard to do at this point, I realize.)

PW

Subject: FW: Anha city and Ba'th party

This just came from [redacted] he just spoke with [redacted] in Anha, and confirmed that all but one of the city council and other leadership are the "bad guys," real Ba'athists. These are the people the Major has closely aligned himself with, and so the people don't trust the Major. As you see, [redacted] lists below what he thinks of each.

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He also includes in the list several of his immediate family who do work with the Americans, and because the Americans are there, unlike what the Major expressed.

Although the piece below is written with great emotion and therefore some confusion, you will see that the Baathists are keeping the regular people away from the Major, and that there are indeed some serious opportunities for intimidation to continue in this community. And I think the list of actual family members who do work with us there due to the CPA, and [redacted] emotional plea about his own contributions to our mutual cause, gives credibility to what he says.

[redacted list of names]

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Dear

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1- Anha city has 13 city council members, 11 from 13 former Ba'th members. chairman and vice chairman are relative and Ba'th members, vice chair very bad guy [redacted]

2- [redacted] He is the only resource for U.S military personal (the Major). They take all the information from him?

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3- The Major give the feeling to [redacted] when he met him that he is not interested to listen to what [redacted] saying and he thinks that [redacted] coming to discuss a personal issue, even [redacted] told him it is not my case as much it is the Ba'th influence and deceiving the system.

4 [redacted] told the Major the the Ba'th party managing the city behind the science and people ask where is the change.No one will trust us if they stay.also told him that [redacted] and we discuss with him our concern to get advises if communication allows us.

[redacted]

6 [redacted] spoke with the governor ,they are friends. the governor told him that the city council in Anha do not want [redacted] because he is not and never was in Ba'th and [redacted]

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7 [redacted] He was in prison for 2 years,retired by Ba'th regime . is back after the liberation at the ministry of health.

8 [redacted] civil engineer, suffered to much .promoted after the liberation as Planning manager in the province office (Ramadi city).

9 [redacted] Civil engineer -16 years under humiliation and harassments,never join the Ba'th ,willing to take responsibility and proud still safaring.

10 [redacted] technical high school teacher [redacted] promoted after the liberation and gave her name to the first woman conference ,now acting headmaster.

11-Many nephews and nieces and other brothers are participating after the liberation.

I am proud to be American [redacted]

[redacted] collecting information from my family to help and to set a good model in my small city. All media keep saying Suni triangle and no one help good people there to reveal the bad guy.

I just want you to know what [redacted] told me (Ba'th members do not want any body to have relation with American in Anha city to misinform them at the same time labeling any one who contact American as spy or agent and killing his or her reputation).

I am from big family ,well educated .they listen to me and will be good Iraqi . I do not want to see such disappointing and discouragement things come in their ways.

I would like really to meet with high official to explain many things.Ready to help any time.

Thanks.

[redacted]

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