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IHAT 1	So now you've got a crowd at the gate who are saying, whether the hands were tied or not, okay that your soldiers were responsible for the death of that person.
SO76	Mmm.
IHAT 1 03.18.15	Okay.
SO76	They were very specific in that, the things I distinctly remember.
IHAT 1	Yeah and what...
SO76	A couple of points from that conversation with the families.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	We're going to kill ten of yours.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	That's, you know sticks in err my head, because as soon as they said that I'm thinking right do I need to get the battalion, the Black Watch down here, err but that was near the start of the conversation, because things sort of hysterically calmed down, but still in a hysterical and angry way, but then it was the hands and feet thing.
IHAT 1	Mmm.
SO76	That one I distinctly remember and we're not stealing from you.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	Is the three main points of that.
IHAT 2	Mmm.

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SO76  IHAT 1 03:18.57  SO76  IHAT 1  SO76  IHAT 1  SO76  IHAT 1  SO76  IHAT 1  SO76  IHAT 1  SO76	<p>I don't know if I was there for half an hour to an hour or whatever, it, because we just, they just kept repeating the same thing.</p> <p>Can you remember how long after the incident that they came to the gate, how long after your soldiers returned?</p> <p>Err not exactly but it wasn't quick, it was err I'd say anywhere between an hour or two, it wasn't like immediate they were up there, it was a little bit later.</p> <p>Okay.</p> <p>Because I'm pretty sure it was after the guys coming back and the initial err, it wasn't very, very immediate.</p> <p>Mmm, and how did that end, that little interaction with the crowd at the gate?</p> <p>Err the main thing was me repeating the fact that we'd reported this to the Police and it's, it'll be a Police investigation.</p> <p>Mmm.</p> <p>And err, and effectively it's in the Police's hands now to investigate.</p> <p>Mmm.</p> <p>And that's the message I kept giving them and I think they sort of walked away, err I can't remember the exact end of the conversation, but err that's the message they were getting and we were told that, well me telling them that if there is anything err to, that needs to be dealt with through the justice system it will be and that's how it sort of ended.</p> <p>Mmm.</p> <p>But that was the consistent message I gave, I didn't veer from that message, I've no reason to and err and...</p>						
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IHAT 1	So they left the area then.
SO76 03.20.34	They left the area, they weren't, I didn't tell them to leave and they weren't you know nobody pointed guns in their face and told them to leave, none of that happened. Err and for all the hysterics they were non-threatening, I didn't, I didn't feel, I don't remember feeling threatened at the time.
IHAT 1	Mmm.
SO76	You know, I didn't think my life was in danger, I didn't, I don't remember having a helmet on.
IHAT 1	Mmm.
SO76	I probably took it off to be err...
IHAT 1	Did you perceive that as a credible threat, that they would kill British people?
SO76	I did at the start, but then err and I'm pretty sure I reported that through, but I didn't think it was something that they would go through.
IHAT 1	Well that was my next ehm question, if you can recall what you did as a result of that altercation.
SO76	I would have reported that up the err, up the chain, either through the, probably through the engineer net or the battle group net, whichever one I was using at the, I can't remember if it was on the, I think I reported it through the engineers because they were in brigade headquarters.
IHAT 1	Okay.
SO76	And err that would have been relayed through to them.
IHAT 1	Okay.
SO76	But as an opinion.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Mmm.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/> 03.21.49	Whether I think that they would have gone out there and tried to kill ten soldiers.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Mmm.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Err I didn't get that impression off them.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Okay.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I think that was said more in err anger rather than err actual real.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So what did you do ehm then as a result of that?						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	As a result of that?						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	A result of, of them coming to the gate, what did you then do?						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	After reporting what happened.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Mmm.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Err effectively it was already in the Police's hands at the time.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Mmm, what instructions were given to the other people who were using the camp or the area regarding that?						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Oh everybody would have known because every evening would have had a briefing.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Mmm.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	What had happened.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.						
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SO76	So I would have gone through that, so you know just maintain vigilance and.
IHAT 1	Right.
SO76 03.22.50	But nothing.
IHAT 1	So there wasn't a lock down or anything like that of the camp?
SO76	I don't remember a lock down as a result of that.
IHAT 1	No, would it have been the sort of thing that would have caused you to lock the camp down or stop people going in any particular area?
SO76	No, err I think we avoided the port, I'm pretty sure.
IHAT 1	Okay.
SO76	Err as a result of that.
IHAT 1	Okay.
SO76	No more vehicle wash downs at the port, ehm we would have been extra vigilant but I don't remember us locking ourselves in for a week or so, not getting out of the camp.
IHAT 1	Okay.
SO76	It was, it was a threat but not a...
IHAT 1	You didn't think it was particularly credible or?
SO76	Well it's not the credibility, I think it was done more out of anger rather than out of, out of you know we genuinely are going to kill ten of your, ten of your soldiers.
IHAT 1	Yeah.

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SO76 03.23.54 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76	And then it became a Police investigation.  Just an aside, I mean obviously you've spoken about vehicles being taken down to the dock to be washed, for what purpose were they being washed?  Err just like part of maintenance, just to get all the dust and off them.  Yeah, no why I asked the question is that you discussed the fact that soldiers had obviously gone in to the water.  Yeah.  And you said there was cholera and all sorts of diseases in the water.  That's right, oh yeah.  Yes you're, you were washing the vehicles with the same water.  Fair point, err yeah they were just down there washing the vehicles with that water, but with brushes and err things like that, just to get the full dust and fine dust off it.  Yeah.  Ehm it's a fair point, but we didn't exactly have huge stores of clean water to be able to hose the vehicles down.  Yeah.  And the dust gets amongst the grease and err grinds away at the bearings.  Right.  Err that's, that's the main reason and yeah the water was dirty, it had raw sewage, typhoid and cholera in it.							
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<b>IHAT 2</b>	Mmm, mmm and you mentioned the fact that, and I know you've obviously marked on the map the medical posts with in the camp.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 2</b> 03.25.21	Was that where they went following the incident, to that post?
<b>SO76</b>	Ehm I'm pretty sure, I'm just...
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Because obviously the regimental aid post, was that ever considered?
<b>SO76</b>	That was pretty much a regimental aid post.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Is that, is that what it would have been is it?
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	Err but...
<b>IHAT 1</b>	There was one at BG main wasn't there I think.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah, but the regimental aid post is mainly what you'd have if you're out in the field.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	We were sort of set up in camps around the place, so.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Right.
<b>SO76</b>	There was err medical staff there, enough to deal with the guys, there was no need to send them to the hospital or anything like that.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Mmm, okay.

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<b>SO76</b>	03.26.07	Err and they would do the normal things of each other and monitoring and seeing if anyone's getting fevers and stuff like that, and we were all inoculated against typhoid and cholera as well.
<b>IHAT 2</b>		Right.
<b>SO76</b>		And everything else under the sun, so it wasn't a massive danger.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Mmm.
<b>IHAT 2</b>		No.
<b>SO76</b>		But.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		You mentioned a briefing in the evening.
<b>SO76</b>		We did briefings most evenings.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		And who was present at those?
<b>SO76</b>		Present at the briefings, err depending if it was like a formal O group or a briefing, err myself, the troop Commanders, the Sgt Major, the, probably, I think the err troop Staff Sergeants were present.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>		Most nights, err the OC, the echeion Commander, it would be up to ten, twelve people in there.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Okay.
<b>SO76</b>		Depending who was around doing what.
<b>IHAT 2</b>		Mmm.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Okay and what was said in relation to this incident at that briefing?

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<b>SO76</b>	03.27.04	Oh the incident would have been mentioned about what had happened and what had gone on at the port and how it's been reported to the Police.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>		And there were, a summary would have been provided, err so everyone, everyone knew what was going on.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Yeah and would Lt <b>SO70</b> have been at that briefing?
<b>SO76</b>		Yes.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Right okay, you mentioned the OC <b>SO79</b>
<b>SO76</b>		Yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		When was he made aware of what had gone on?
<b>SO76</b>		Oh I don't, I don't remember, I don't remember if he was around on the day, because sometimes he was at BG main or brigade headquarters.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>		Err but he would have been notified as soon as err practical.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Mmm, okay so it wasn't, it wasn't imperative that as it was unfolding that he would have been brought in to start taking control of everyone?
<b>SO76</b>		Oh no, no, well in terms of him taking control it's...
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Providing guidance or.
<b>SO76</b>		Yeah, no he would have been notified, but it's the err, the Ops room that generally controls everything.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Right, okay.

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<b>SO76</b> 03.28.12	And he's, he would have been, err if he was in and around then err he would have been very much a part of it, but I remember, I do, obviously I've told him about it.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>	It wasn't a secret.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>	Err but there was no specific, I don't remember any specific instructions from him to do anything specific about it.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	No, can you recall whether having reported the incident up the chain, that you were provided with any specific instructions or any follow up action to do or not to do anything?
<b>SO76</b>	I don't recall any specific actions, err I remember asking for Police.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>	The Royal Military Police to get involved.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>	Err I don't remember anything specific and that's where it may have come in that I may have been asked to collate the statements or something like that, but I don't recall that exactly at the moment <b>IHAT 1</b>
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Okay, the soldiers ehm returned to the scene ehm quite quickly afterwards, so the same day afterwards.
<b>SO76</b>	Mmm.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	What was, why was that?
<b>SO76</b>	I don't know, the same soldiers or?
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<b>IHAT 1</b>	03.29.48	Not the same soldiers.
<b>SO76</b>		Okay.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		But...
<b>SO76</b>		What do you mean to, to do what?
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Well that's what I'm asking of you really.
<b>SO76</b>		Oh right okay, err to do well whatever was required, I don't know if they were on, doing a patrol or doing err, I don't remember exactly what they were doing on the 24 <sup>th</sup> May.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Okay well this afternoon we've got some logs that we can go through.
<b>SO76</b>		Okay.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		And maybe just put a bit more ehm light on that.
<b>IHAT 2</b>		Mmm.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Ehm so just lastly then so I think where we are at the moment is obviously ehm you're, you've been made aware that ehm, now that there's an allegation that your soldiers are involved in the death.
<b>SO76</b>		Yes.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Did that cause you to conduct any course of action?
<b>SO76</b>		Except just to enforce the fact that err it's a Police matter.
<b>IHAT 1</b>		Mmm.
<b>SO76</b>		And given what I said before I had quite, a lot of confidence in that it's a Police matter.

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IHAT 1 SO76 03.30.58 IHAT 1 SO76 IHAT 1 SO76 IHAT 1 SO76 IHAT 1 SO76 IHAT 2 SO76 IHAT 1	Mmm. They will investigate and if a crime's been committed then the appropriate action, what I said to the family is what I actually believed. Yeah okay, but in relation to your action once they'd left, did you go back and speak to the four individuals, did you report that to anyone else that there's now an allegation that your soldiers are involved? I, I remember reporting that through to err brigade, but not speaking to the individuals about it. Right. Err I may have done, but I don't recall speaking to the individuals about it. Okay. I don't, the thing I don't remember, which is surprising me, I don't even remember Sapper SO75 being there. Right. But he was SO70's driver. Mmm. From memory, err and I know SO72 and SO71 were on the same tank. Mmm. Because SO71 was the tank commander for that vehicle and SO72 was the driver, but I don't remember Sapper SO75 at all. Okay, IHAT 2?
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<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	No, no not at the moment.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 03.32.00	I think we'll ehm better have some lunch hadn't we?
<input type="text" value="IHAT"/>	Yeah, so the time is now 1257 hours, this interview is concluded.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	<b>DISC 2</b>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Right the date is Tuesday 1 <sup>st</sup> December 2015, the time by the interview clock is 1409 hours, I am <input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/> an investigator with IHAT from Trenchard Lines, Upavon in Wiltshire, UK. If I can ask you to identify yourself?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	<input type="text" value="SO76"/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Ehm I'm <input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> SIO, Pod 1 for Iraq Historical Allegation Team.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	This interview is being conducted in interview room at the <input type="text" value="REDACTED"/> which is in <input type="text" value="REDACTED"/> Right we're just going to carry on from where basically we left off before we had lunch.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	So what we have ehm and we basically we went through the account that you gave us.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	I don't know if you remember we spoke about the fact that your recall and obviously we were dealing with what you had to say to us because it's what we like to get is your account before we then go into what we have.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	What we've got in our possession, what we have, we've actually got is some, some logs that ehm have been taken from accounts given.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	And radio logs and we'd just like to go through some of those, familiarise yourself with those.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	If you want to go through names first.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah if you go through those.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Right sorry yeah we got ehm I've got a list of names and it's not ehm an inconclusive list but they're names of ehm soldiers that we believe who are working with ehm 26 Squadron.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	In 2003 and during the course of the earlier interview you mentioned that you should be able to identify some of the signallers that were working in the ops room.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	If I was to give you that list can you see any of the names on there?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Er yeah er <input type="text"/> is one of the signallers, <input type="text"/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	<input type="text"/> oh is that the Scouser you're on about then <input type="text"/> ?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	He's the other Scouser, there's three of them.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Right.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Sapper <input type="text"/> was the little one I was thinking of.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah, yeah thought that might be the case.

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Er [redacted] I've already mentioned him, he was my driver.  
Yeah.  
slightly jumbled up a bit.  
Yeah it probably is, it's not as I said it's not a definitive list and not necessarily in the right order but they're names that we had at the particular time.  
I, well er he was the er [redacted] senior NCO in charge of signals we used to call him [redacted]  
Yeah.  
[redacted] was,nt well the thing is he could have been there because he was er one of the Corporals for signalling er and sometimes they were in there but I don't think he was er.  
(Inaudible).  
But the odd thing is they've all got first names, usually they don't have first names it just says.  
You'd have them by their, yeah exactly.  
Ehm why isn't [redacted] on here?  
As I said there may well be names that are missing from the list.  
Yeah those are how many have you got there, one.  
So far just six.  
What does that say sorry?  
[redacted], [redacted], [redacted]

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SO76 4m 20s	Er.
IHAT 2	Did you pick that [redacted] up from the list?
SO76	No I can't see him, er there was er what do you make call it as well ehm [redacted]
IHAT 2	[redacted] yeah.
SO76	[redacted] he's not here, it was the main ones I can see and year [redacted] may have been around [redacted] a Sgt Major (inaudible) I don't know why he's on this HQ list because he's, I thought (inaudible). I should have SO80 er I reckon on disc somewhere I've actually got the make-up of the whole squadron as it was er.
IHAT 2	On disc?
SO76	Well somewhere er we had like a little sketch with the pictures of the vehicles.
IHAT 2	Yeah.
SO76	And who was in each vehicle, who's driving it, who was commanding it, we're like a squadron (inaudible) for want of a better word.
IHAT 2	Oh right and you still got the disc?
SO76	Oh I'll have it somewhere it's in my records.
IHAT 2	Oh right.
SO76	It's probably more accurate than what you've got as an educated guess. There's a lot more names firstly there was about 190 people, they all look pretty right, he was the RSM, he was the adjutant, he was the operations officer.
IHAT 2	Yeah if you, sorry if you could mention their names if you can.
SO76 6m 00s	Like [redacted] er known as [redacted] he was the 32 Regiment Ops officer.
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IHAT 2 SO76	Yeah. [redacted] was the Regimental Adjutant and [redacted] was the Regimental Sgt Major.
IHAT 2 SO76	OK. Er (inaudible) thats Staff Sgt SO77 that's right, that all looks about right that's Sgt [redacted] there, yeah [redacted] passed over to SO73
IHAT 2 SO76	Yeah. [redacted] SO70 's there and [redacted] the other Troop Cdr there, there he is
IHAT 2 SO76	[redacted] OK. I believe he's in prison in the UK.
IHAT 2 SO76	So sorry you mentioned the Troop Cdrs didn't you. Yeah er it's basically what we said.
IHAT 2 SO76	Yeah: Er now he, [redacted] or [redacted] as you've got.
IHAT 2 SO76	Yeah. Was the Battle group engineer officer not Troop Cdr he was originally support Troop Cdr but he took the place of the Battlegroup Engineer so [redacted] SO70 was their Troop Cdr.
IHAT 2 7m 5s SO76	So did [redacted] SO70 replace him then? Yeah.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah, he was second Lieutenant
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	So in what role did ehm <input type="text" value="SO76"/> have
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Battle group engineer.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	So what did that involve?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Er I used to sit with the Black Watch Headquarters er because we used to be here in the Black Watch Headquarters here used to have the Battle Group Engineer and the artillery link so the Colonel could control all these assets.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Right.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	So they were a link to us.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Right.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	They didn't tell us what to do but they were a link so yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	OK any other names on there which is significant with ehm the incident?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Not really we've already mentioned <input type="text" value="SO77"/> , <input type="text" value="SO70"/> er where is, you haven't got, is this deliberate whether you haven't got Cpl <input type="text" value="SO71"/> on here or is he on here, I can't see him, he was part of support troop.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Ehm.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	<input type="text" value="SO72"/> he was part of the support troop.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2 8m 20s"/>	As I said earlier it's not all the names would be on here.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Because your list is missing a couple of the guys that were involved.

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IHAT 2	Yeah, no, no, yeah, I think to be honest that there is probably a reason for that, there's
SO76	Without you know sitting there studying the squadron all chart again.
IHAT 2	Yeah.
SO76	Then yeah that's probably my, pretty much covers it er <input type="text"/>
IHAT 2	OK thank you for that so you've given us seven names from the list.
SO76	There's probably a couple more.
IHAT 2	Yeah.
SO76	But if I saw the full list of 190 odd soldiers that we deployed with then er they'd all be.
IHAT 2	So on the day in question now that you've identified those names can you, does that help you in relation?
SO76	As to say who was in there.
IHAT 2	Yeah at that time no?
SO76	No er it definitely involve some of those guys and maybe in name, it probably wouldn't be him.
IHAT 2	You pointing at <input type="text"/>
SO76 9m 55s	No <input type="text"/>
IHAT 2	Oh <input type="text"/> right.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Er because he's the senior NCO and he didn't do the sitting only in desperate times er but yeah it wouldn't be him er it would be (inaudible).
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	If I mentioned <input type="text" value="SO80"/> do you recall him at all?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I can't recall him, if I saw his name on and where he's sat in the old chart probably would be able to put a face to the name er oh sorry yes Cpl <input type="text" value="SO80"/> yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes Cpl <input type="text" value="SO80"/> yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	OK so that makes up the eight now doesn't it, these mentioned.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	There's probably more couple more.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	But there will be more as well.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	There's probably a couple more if you look at the list.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah, yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Er he was the Sgt Major's driver.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	You pointing at <input type="text" value=""/> ?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	<input type="text" value=""/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/> 10m 55s	<input type="text" value=""/> was my driver.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah.

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SO76	Er [redacted] was the junior signalman on my tank, [redacted] SO80 was on my tank I think er Cpl I cannot remember [redacted] was er [redacted] may have been with the echelon initially but once you get back to a single location they all pull.
IHAT 2	Yeah.
SO76	And they all take their turn doing radio operator because these guys don't do guard duty, they do radio guard duty for want of a better word.
IHAT 2	So when you talk about them being a driver are they, they obviously got a dual role then is it?
SO76	Yeah all the engineers do, they're all drivers, signallers or tradesmen, combat engineers, soldiers, all the usual stuff.
IHAT 2	Right.
SO76	They'll do a bit of anything.
IHAT 2	You mentioned [redacted] who wasn't on the list.
SO76	No he's the one that went AWOL before we went to Iraq.
IHAT 2	That's the one you're on about is it?
SO76	Yeah his father.
IHAT 2	Yeah, yeah, you say a Scouser?
SO76	Three Scousers on that list unfortunately.
IHAT 2	Right.
SO76	[redacted], [redacted] and [redacted]
SO76	Right.

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<b>SO76</b> 12m 10s	Yeah wallets were kept in check.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Right.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Ehm what we're going to do is ehm go through some of the logs that we've recovered.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah, yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	With all the messages and.
<b>SO76</b>	I suspect you know your recollection of the amount of all the information you've got is going to be far advanced from what I can remember from.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Well not necessarily because a lot of it is until you, someone else explains it to us doesn't really.
<b>SO76</b>	OK.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Era great deal ehm the first thing before we go to logs refer to them do you remember on that day reference being made to ehm a vessel being on fire?
<b>SO76</b>	Vessel being on fire?
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Hm mm.
<b>SO76</b>	It had nothing to do with our divers did it?
<b>IHAT 1</b>	No.
<b>SO76</b>	No?
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Ehm basically a tanker down in the vicinity of where the incident was being on fire.
<b>SO76</b>	No I don't remember that.

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IHAT 1	No?						
SO76	No.						
IHAT 1	Is it something again that you would have been made aware of?						
SO76	If it was just a recorded incident er or if there was a vessel on fire or something like that then it had no direct correlation to what we were doing then potentially the guys wouldn't have run up and said Sir there's a vessel on fire down there because you've got to appreciate there's quite a lot of things happening all at the same time all over the place.						
IHAT 1	Hm mm.						
SO76	Er so you're sort of focusing on what matters to you to a certain extent.						
IHAT 1	OK what about if?						
SO76	If anything I would have been aware in passing that it was happening but nothing more than that.						
IHAT 1	What about if there was er a tanker on fire and it was requested that sub-subsistence was sorted through er fire brigade or something like that.						
SO76	Fire brigade.						
IHAT 1	That was my last question, was there a fire brigade at that time?						
SO76	An Iraqi one.						
IHAT 1	Yeah.						
SO76	I think there was a bit of a something going on, they had a bit of a police force starting up again or.						
IHAT 1	Yeah.						
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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Or existing and I reckon they would have had some kind of fire brigade but again specifically ehm I can't tell you a 100%.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	No OK you say you don't remember requesting the assistance of the fire brigade because there was a tanker on fire
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Me?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	What would you remember it being?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No if I did it then.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	No it's not that I'm not you know.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Then I won't refute that it's just I don't.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	It's not, it becomes part of the crinology of events.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So we've got a log here that's ehm time is 1130.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	It's from that says ehm it says on there from (inaudible) Black Watch.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So where would that have been?
<input type="text" value="SO76 15m 30s"/>	Oh (inaudible) was based, the QM was based near us er it depends which

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I can't tell you what all the Black Watch signs were.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK so it says to.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	To the Black Watch Headquarters.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah it says Tank 1 fire at docks and obviously gives a grid reference.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Grid reference.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah does that mean anything to you?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Immediately no.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	It's gone from Black Watch to Black Watch.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So the fact that it went from Black Watch to Black Watch it sort or originates from a compartment in Black Watch.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Is there?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	We would have heard it on the Black Watch radio.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yes if that had of originated from for example 26 on the ground would you have expected that to be included in there?

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Sorry?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Was so if the request, so if this information at the time.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	If that had been originated from 26.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	People on the ground would you have, where would you have expected that to of been, where would you have expect to have seen?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Oh in the log book.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	In the squadron book, different net.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah different net but would it appear on, from in here at all?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Not necessarily because if you on the ground reported it to the Ops Room.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah it would appear in the ops room log.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	It'd appear on the ops room log and then if the ops room reported it to either the Black Watch or to the engineer headquarters.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Then it would appear in those logs.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/> 17m 25s	But not necessarily in this one, this is Black Watch talking to Black Watch.

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IHAT 2

Yeah.

SO76

Now on those situations we would listen to it and hear it but you don't necessarily record it.

IHAT 1

No.

SO76

Because you don't record everything you hear on that net

IHAT 1

OK the next log is then from so it's seven minutes later.

SO76

Yeah.

IHAT 1

And it's from Black Watch so the, so from here to seventh to Brigade Headquarters.

SO76

Yeah so they'll pass it on.

IHAT 1

This it says tank on fire moored up, no paxs of, no danger to anybody, do you recall that log at all or being made aware that this was going to be long?

SO76

No I wouldn't even be on that net.

IHAT 1

No.

SO76

We wouldn't, that's Black Watch talking to 7<sup>th</sup> Armour Brigade.

IHAT 1

Yeah.

SO76

We wouldn't be hearing that.

IHAT 1

OK.

SO76 18m 10s

Unless the only time we were on that net was during the raid in Basra when we took over Basra, they'd, it's not our normal.

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<b>IHAT 1</b>	So none of that means anything to you and as far as your recollections you can't recall on that particular day any reference to a tanker being on fire?
<b>SO76</b>	Not at the moment no, what, sorry, question are those times Zulu or local?
<b>IHAT 1</b>	there taken off the log
<b>SO76</b>	Because and the reason I'm asking is because I can't remember if it did change, most of our operations are actually done on Zulu time at the start although we were three, four hours ahead by the real clock, most of it was like Zulu time and I don't know if that makes a difference.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	The person who could answer that isn't here but basically.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah OK, it does makes a three hour difference into.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Yeah I think we're reasonably happy about when it occurred
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah OK.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	So I would say local.
<b>SO76</b>	I think it's local.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Ehm I've got a log here and it just says from engineers to 01 Black Watch.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	And the time is just prior to midday which says ehm same grid reference man fell in river X3 zero tasked to send boat to assist. Do you recall that message at all?
<b>SO76</b>	It's clearly to do with the incident that happened.
<b>IHAT 2</b> 20m 00s	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	And X3 zero is er if we were reporting it, it's to support troop.

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IHAT 2 SO76	What XR3 zero support troop? Hm mm, 1 zero is armoured troop, 2 zero is field troop, 3 zero is 4 troop, does that make sense?
IHAT 2 SO76	Sorry 1 zero was? Armour troop.
IHAT 2 SO76	Armoured yeah. 2 is field.
IHAT 2 SO76	Yeah. Or I hope I haven't got those the wrong way round but the 3 troops er I may have got those the wrong way round. Er it says XR3 zero tasked to send boat to assist.
SO76	Is that us saying that's what's happened or is er?
IHAT 2 SO76	Well we've taken this directly from the log. Which logs may I ask the black watch log or the engineer log?
SO76	Engineers.
IHAT 2 SO76	From engineers to 01 Black Watch but that could be 32 engineers?
SO76	Yes.
IHAT 2 SO76	We've got that down as confirms that the RRF battle group have been asked to send a boat to the scene. Does that make sense?
SO76	RRF?
IHAT 2	Yeah Royal Regimental Fusiliers

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah, they were North of us.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK, so, right OK so what you're saying is.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well basically.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Engineers have told Black Watch man fell in the river.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	If 32 engineers have been told that.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	At just before midday.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah, they must have been told it by someone else so you would suggest that two
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	It would only have to be us that had told them.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So do you remember sending that message?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I don't remember the XR30 but.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	As I said previously quite a few times I've reported the incident to the engineer headquarters so that's where they would have got that from.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK so if that message has come from ehm the docs that a man's fell in the river it quite clearly says man fell in river.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 22m 45s	There yeah that's gone from the engineers to Black Watch.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.

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<b>IHAT 1</b>	Is it possible that the engineers was 32 that, that message has come from you?
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	We would have instigated that message.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Because that message wouldn't have come straight from the people that ehm at the dockside?
<b>SO76</b>	No.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	<b>SO70</b> and his group?
<b>SO76</b>	It wouldn't have gone from the dock (inaudible) no, no.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	So I know it's an assumption which you shouldn't do but would it be a reasonable assumption to suggest that, that message has originated from yourself?
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah well something I've alluded to quite a few times already.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Yeah, yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Because we're going through the logs we just need to clarify the whole (inaudible).
<b>SO76</b>	OK 1159 alright it's later in the day than I thought.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	12 o'clock again from engineers to Black Watch.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	It says two engineers jumped in to save him but unable to recover him so this is ehm.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	That would be instigated from us as well.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So this is a minute later.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Ehm that basically this is now ehm that basically this is now ehm occurred.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Basically er and it's been concluded that this guy's drowned?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Ehm the next ones are between Black Watch and RRF asking for ehm a route of patrol to that grid reference for man falling.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Probably something that you wouldn't have been privy to?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Did you request the river patrol?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I didn't request the river patrol but when I reported it to the engineer headquarters I stated you know guys gone into the water, I asked for divers or I may have probably even asked for boats.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Right.

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SO76 24m 40s	Because engineers hold boats but if we didn't have them what would have happened this is another assumption which we shouldn't make but the likelihood is because they sit in Brigade headquarters.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	And dealing generally with these guys.
IHAT 1	Hm mm.
SO76	Which are all the same people.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	Er they would have said to Brigade we need boats and Brigade would have said right who's got boats, RRF have got the boats at the moment so probably (inaudible). That's a not a wild and crazy assumption to make.
IHAT 1	OK.
SO76	So three minutes later can you yeah.
IHAT 1	Yeah OK.
SO76	Man fallen in river.
IHAT 1	Yeah so 12.15.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	Bearing in mind er 12 o'clock we know that this has occurred.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1 25m 30s	It's between the Black Watch who then report it at the line to 7 <sup>th</sup> Armour Brigade, civilian fallen in river, 2 x engineers, tried to save but unable to, crowd then got anti

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	so engineers backed off. So how would Black Watch have had that amount of information to pass to 7 <sup>TH</sup> Armoured Brigade
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Er there's a good chance then er that I reported from zero probably both to the engineers and to the Black Watch.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	I may have reported on both nets.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Right.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	To let, I suppose it's a type of thing <input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> that trying to tell the world about.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	You don't want to er there's a good chance that I would have reported it up to Black Watch chain as well so that.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Just note the different language that's been used in here.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	So this is from engineers to zero.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	And then from ehm the first one is man fell in river.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Then a minute later it's two times engineers jumped to save him but unable to recover man fall in the river and then we'll see in a minute that the language changes a little bit.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK.

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OK so definitely here it says er the man has fallen in the river.

IHAT 2

Civilian is what they put here as well.

SO76

And there's also different people describing and passing a message on and passing on.

IHAT 1

So there is.

IHAT 1

As far as they can (inaudible).

SO76

But that won't be verbatim er because you know you have say a sentence on the radio and er you cannot write every single word.

IHAT 1

On this one here this is at 1220 hours this is between Brigade and 1 UK Armoured.

SO76

OK.

IHAT 1

It says a civilian fell into the river in Basra, 2 x Royal Engineer soldiers attempted to rescue but were unsuccessful. It seems to have escalated a bit where the information here is a crowd verbally abused the two Sappers but declined to assist. RFF boats were tasked but the body had sunk by the time they'd arrived. Have you got an explanation as to why in that message it's now saying a crowd verbally abused the two Sappers but declined to assist?

SO76

No that's between two people I have no communications with.

IHAT 1

OK.

SO76

That's Brigade Operations talking to their Headquarters.

IHAT 1

OK.

SO76

Passing the message on er as to why the language has changed I'm not privy to any of that at all.

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IHAT 1 SO76	OK this is obviously well after the incident's happened it's at 1220. Well it's only a few minutes after it happened.
IHAT 1 SO76	Well we know that it's finished by 12 o'clock by the previous logs so this is twenty minutes which is so, in the grand scheme of things.
SO76	Yeah but the thing that's happened though if you go to the previous page you've had at the moment you've got it, it's happened here, it's going on here.
IHAT 1 SO76	Yeah well no it's finished there, 12 o'clock it's finished recovered it's finished. Yeah but the, it's fifteen minutes later it's been reported up to Brigade Headquarters.
IHAT 1 SO76	Yeah. And then five minutes after that Brigade Headquarters are reporting it to er and Divisional Headquarters and I'm three removed away from that.
IHAT 1 SO76	Yeah. So as to how the message has gone from A to B to C to D.
IHAT 1 SO76	Yeah. Once I go from A to B after that it's not in my hands.
IHAT 1 SO76	OK but again it's you know it's a question that we have to ask. No it's fair enough.
IHAT 1 29m 20s SO76	It's you know the language in here is a crowd verbally abused the two Sappers but declined to assist well that's quite a specific statement. That's a very specific statement.

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<b>IHAT 1</b>	But for somebody who you say these people write these messages verbatim is quite distinct.
<b>SO76</b>	Well they try to but yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	But that's, no way is that verbatim from anything that's gone before unless somebody's provided them with that information.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	So have you basically provided that information?
<b>SO76</b>	No I will have, I hadn't zero communication with ehm all them.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	I know but this with the people that come before them have you said that two Sappers but declined to assist.
<b>SO76</b>	I don't recall saying along those lines it's er verbally abused the two Sappers but declined to assist.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Similar language to what you said earlier as well the fact the body had sunk which is I think something you used earlier wasn't it?
<b>SO76</b>	Hm mm.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	I'm quite adamant because that's what was said back to me, the body sunk.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	Whether it was (inaudible) describing the body's sunk it didn't.
<b>IHAT 1</b> 30m 35s	Yeah.

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SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 2	Ehm this one's 1225.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	This one actually is from.
SO76	Me.
IHAT 1	Yourself to ehm.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	Er Regiment ehm all call signs were at the site were the child was drowning have now returned to 26 location they were unable even though two people went into the water, two went into the water and are now at the RAP.
SO76	Yeah Regimental Aid Post which is the medical centre.
IHAT 1	OK do you remember which, do you remember that message, sending that message?
SO76	Yeah it sounds like the message yeah.
IHAT 1	OK.
SO76	That's the subsequent update, basically I've said 25 minutes later.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	Er they weren't able to do anything and everyone's now back here and gone to the medical centre which is what I said earlier.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah so if it happened the one at 12 o'clock where it says they were unable they are back do you think that they're back at 12 o'clock, they're going to be back at base around 12 o'clock.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well soon thereafter.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Very soon after that and all core signs that were at the site so you've now sent this message that they've returned.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And basically they're now at the RAP.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK ehm what's happened immediately prior to you sending that message can you remember?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Er the only thing I can think of would have happened is me being on the radio to them saying how far away are you, when are you back, you know just trying to find out where they are extracting themselves.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	So I've sent that message because I've already told er higher up that something's happening.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	And I'm extracting the call signs and that's to confirm effectively to say everyone's back safe back in camp.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Right.

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SO76	So the other things you have is you know you have, well you know about QRF and so on and so forth there's no need to deploy QRFs because er QRFs are, do you know what they are?						
IHAT 1 34m 05s	Is that where they're effectively days off or something?						
SO76	No, no.						
IHAT 1	Is that where they're effectively days off or something no?						
SO76	No quick reaction force.						
IHAT 1	Oh quick reaction right OK.						
SO76	So they bomb burst out in case there's an incident or something to support. Er basically that's a way of me telling everyone, everyone's back safe and sound in camp. They're at the medical centre and then so er (inaudible) situation come onto the better word.						
IHAT 1	Hm mm.						
SO76	That's what that message is about.						
IHAT 1	Can you remember how much of a briefing you've had before you sent that message?						
SO76	Er generally what I've heard on the radio because as in the specifically from an individual.						
IHAT 1	Debrief should I say						
SO76	No, no.						
IHAT 1	OK it's quite specific you use the word child.						
SO76	Hm mm.						
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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	By 1225 and I've used the word child.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And they probably got back at 12 o'clock so sometime in-between that time you were probably told I imagine you had a debrief when they got back.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well you're making assumptions here.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Well yeah I am because I wasn't there was I.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	That I can't correlate that at the moment, what I've said is at 1225 I've reported that everybody's back and they're already at the RAP so they've come back sometime before then. The incident that's going on at 12 o'clock er if you, can you just go back a couple of pages please.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Man fell in river tried to recover him man fallen in the river
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah but wait a sec so that's they're these things that can be happening concurrently, they're almost independent of each other, these.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	But I think you'd agree that the way it works is it originates with someone has the source information.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Then that goes up the chain.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	It's then reported up the chain.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So they can only report what's been said to them.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes I agree.

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IHAT 1 37m 20s	So you've got man fell in river, engineers jumped in to save him, man falling in river then all of a sudden because of the information that you've got you said child falling in the river or child was drowning.
SO76	Hm mm.
IHAT 1	Or child was drowning which to me and to anyone who looks at that, that's a significant change to man falling in river, that's child was drowning
SO76	Oh well I don't agree with that, it's basically you're saying somebody has fallen in the river.
IHAT 1	No you're not you're saying everywhere else, to you it might not, you might not think that's significant but you've said there that a child was drowning but previously we've had man falling in river or civvy in river.
SO76	All call signs that were at site were child was drowning have now returned, what I'm trying to do there and if you and let's.
IHAT 1	I know what you're trying to do.
SO76	Read sentences as a sentence rather than just specific words.
IHAT 1	Hm mm.
SO76	Er what I'm basically saying I'm giving a bit of description to say that everyone that was at the site where child was drowning.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	Er where they knew we had guys in the water trying to.
IHAT 1	SO76 I know exactly what the message is says
SO76	Yeah so I'm not trying to, I understand your point though.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 38m 50s	The point well I think you can understand the point.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No I don't.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	The point is it's on the previous messages.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	The language that's been used described the individual who drowned as being a man.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What's happened is in the interim period before this message you've received the debrief at which point you then sent a message where because of the debrief you've received you're calling a child.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Is that what you're concluding because you basically told me what.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	I suppose that what's I'm suggesting because that's what this, that is what is in front of me.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well I don't like to disagree much but that I don't necessarily agree because we've reported at about 12 o'clock, just before 12 o'clock that this incident is happening and then subsequently or there's other communications between other call signs that we had zero involvement with whose reported up the chain and if anything else somebody's written a statement or documented words.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Documented words on the logs what they've heard and written down and then what they pass on that could, you can't tell me that can't change.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So are you thinking the first incident there just so that I'm clear.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 40m 00s	You think of the first incident if you said child or youth or whatever in the first incidence but by the time it got further up the chain that would have been changed to man or civvy.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No I may have just said man at the start and then if someone's along the way has mentioned the word kid then.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	At what point did you realise that it was a child?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I don't know have you got the log where it says that, is that?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Well I'm asking you at what point did you realise it was a child?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I don't know like I said in the conversation it may have been kid, what I reported there is the two paxs that were in the water and now the RAP so whoever was in the water which saying is <input type="text" value="SO70"/> and <input type="text" value="SO72"/> and now the regimental A post.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Having a little check.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	So the only other people are Sapper <input type="text" value="SO75"/> and L/Cpl <input type="text" value="SO71"/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	That were present.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What I'm trying to do is because this morning you were unable to recollect what debrief you'd had when the people who were at the scene returned to the camp at to the camp where you were based.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 41m 15s	So what I'm trying to do is use this to assist you to recollect you.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No understand what you're saying.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What they told you when they got back.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	If I would have spoken to anyone it probably would have been to <input type="text" value="SO70"/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	But <input type="text" value="SO70"/> s at the Regimental aid post as to that message.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah so that was (inaudible).
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	So I haven't spoken to <input type="text" value="SO70"/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	But you have haven't you because you spoke
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	When?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Because you've spoken to him.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No because he's at the regimental aid post.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK just let me finish, prior to you sending this message.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	You have obviously spoken to <input type="text" value="SO70"/> obviously OK, got Capt <input type="text" value="SO70"/> s statement there?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	And as I remember earlier I said I can't remember whether I did or not.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 42m 05s	OK well I'm going to assist you.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well you know if you can assist that's all and good but.

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IHAT 1	The idea of these interviews is to get you to recall from your memory, when you're unable to do that then we can assist you.
SO76	Well I've already mentioned a few times that I can't recall that element.
IHAT 1	Which is why we're now going through this log.
SO76	Hm mm.
IHAT 1	And we'll get Capt, can you find that bit in there that the er the eh I can tell you what it says anyway. Capt <input type="text"/> do you remember?
SO76	Yeah <input type="text"/>
IHAT 1	Capt <input type="text"/> says that er he recalls <input type="text"/> SO70 returning from the base wrapped in a blanket still wet talking to you in the ops room.
SO76	OK.
IHAT 1	OK do you remember that?
SO76	No I don't, genuinely don't.
IHAT 1	So Capt <input type="text"/> remembers that and you don't remember it?
SO76	No.
IHAT 1	OK so that was obviously before he went to the RAP because.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	OK.
IHAT 1	He probably came in and I said right get er and probably did give me a bit of a heads up of what happened.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah, yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	And then I would have sent him off to the RAP.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I'm not denying it didn't happen but I'm just saying I don't recall it.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What I'm trying to do.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Is assist you taking you back there OK so he walks in, he's soaking wet and you would have said because of the nature of the incident which you said it was serious.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Of course it was.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What he's actually told you when he's come in.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I'm not denying that or saying that's incorrect.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK again.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Hang on a second you were the person in charge of this incident.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 43m 45s	Whose found it incumbent upon yourself to make sure that they've made a record of it to make sure it's reported up the line.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	To send messages over the log.

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<b>SO76</b>	Yes.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Yeah all those things and you would have been told about the drowning of a child which is not an everyday event. Your soldiers were involved, you were the 2 I/C of that squadron and it was your people who were on the ground who were involved.
<b>SO76</b>	Yes.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	And they would have told you, that is a significant event in anybody's eyes.
<b>SO76</b>	Hm mm.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	OK so what did <b>SO70</b> tell you when he came back?
<b>SO76</b>	Er I don't remember having a conversation with him, I genuinely do not recollect that conversation.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Why is that then?
<b>SO76</b>	12½ years ago.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	You remember a lot of other things from 12½ years ago.
<b>SO76</b>	I remember specific things, I don't remember everything. You have a wealth of information and people you've spoken to, I don't have that.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	I would suggest that 20 years ago if something like that had happened to me I would be able to tell you verbatim what was said, 25 years ago, 30 years ago.
<b>SO76</b> 45m 00s	That's fine but I don't recollect everything that happened that day and I've said to you from the outset. It's 12½ years ago and a lot of things have changed since then so.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Can you understand why that you've been asked about that though?

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I can understand why I've been asked but I don't also understand why it's done in such a accusatory way er because you're effectively certainly intimating that you don't believe what I'm telling you.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What I'm struggling.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Is that correct?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Well I'm struggling to comprehend how somebody who is the obviously a very bright intelligent individual whose job it was, was to control operations.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Who had the er good sense to get people to write statements about what went on who is obviously now got all their faculties and is not suffering from any memory loss in any other way from what you've told us today cannot remember something so significant.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	But that could have been a ten second conversation.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	But it's not the length is irrelevant, the length of the conversation is irrelevant, it's the content that relevant.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah but the conversation could have been are you OK, get yourself to the medical centre and get yourself checked out.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	But you're intimating that he's given me a full almost statement of description of events and because I'm not recalling that conversation.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 46m 30s	Well it says here that a child was drowning.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah and I'm not recalling the conversation maybe because it was almost insignificant the fact that.

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<b>IHAT 1</b>	But now you're saying that the incident was insignificant.
<b>SO76</b>	No, no that's what I said so don't put words in my mouth.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	No.
<b>SO76</b>	I was clear I said the conversation I had with him may have been insignificant not the incident so.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	OK I said the incident because.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	By a process of going, if you're saying that the conversation was insignificant with him then by the same token because it was about the incident then the incident must have been insignificant.
<b>SO76</b>	That's not at all true I'm sorry but you.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	You've described, hang on a minute.
<b>SO76</b>	I think you're wrong here.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	You're talking about a child.
<b>SO76</b>	Yes.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	In your language a child drowning.
<b>SO76</b>	Is that the words I wrote is it?
<b>IHAT 1</b> 47m 25s	Well it's from 26 to 32 Regiment OK.
<b>SO76</b>	Hm mm.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Would not I would suggest would not have put child was drowning.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	What if I used the word kid.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Well OK let's change the word child to kid, then kid .
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	What if I used young man.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK use young man.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah what if they wrote it as a child instead of so how do I know I said the word child?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Well we'll never know but we can find the author of that and we can ask them OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	(Inaudible) do not, you're correlating.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	What you need to understand is OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	We've come all the way here to er interview you.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	About an allegation of an unlawful killing.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I understand that fully.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And you are a significant key witness.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 48m 15s	And that is why you are in this room at the moment OK so it's duty bound of me to ask you these questions.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I appreciate that but.

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IHAT 1	That is my role.
SO76	But when you make assumption of something I haven't said in this interview where you are wrong then I'm not going to accept that. For example me saying the conversation I made had with SO70 could have been you OK; go to the medical centre. That's an insignificant conversation in the context to the actual incident which is a significant and you made a comment.
IHAT 1	What I'm, let me tell you the bit that
SO76	And you made my comment insignificant and that's what I'm objected to OK.
IHAT 1	Let me tell you about the bit that I'm struggling with, the bit I'm struggling with is this.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 2	Is that when you're talking about the death of a child OK that someone that you are the line manager of for want of a better word OK they're involved in it is that you haven't sought to obtain and this is what it appears to me is you have not sought to obtain full details. You have put yourself in the middle, you've put yourself as the pivotal thing in controlling this OK and it seems to me that what you're telling me is, is you either didn't seek details or you got minimal details about what happened when they came back.
SO76	That's what their statements for, to provide the detail and that's why I was passed onto the police to investigate, it's not up to me to investigate.
IHAT 1 49m 45s	Hang on a minute I accept that that's what they, hang on a minute, I accept that's what they said but the thing is what, that's what they said in their statements, that's their recollection.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	I'm not asking them about their evidence.

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Yeah.

IHAT 1

I've already done that, I've already spoken to them OK they've all been spoken to about what they can remember, what I'm asking you is about a conversation that you, what you were told happened at the dockside.

SO76

And I don't recall that conversation with SO70 all  said he saw SO70 talking to me, he didn't say SO70 talking to me at length, describe any of the events, there's a massive difference between the two and you're doing a bit of twoing and twoing, I'm not sure of the number you're getting and I didn't appreciate your comments about me not treating the incident seriously.

IHAT 1

OK.

SO76

If I didn't treat the incident seriously I would have just gone oh yeah whatever, move on, not reported it to the police immediately and not reported it up the chain immediately. For me that shows that I've actually thought the incident is serious enough to report it to the police, get the RMP on board straight away so that they're aware and something that message I've sent to the family when I spoke to them and said we have reported it to the police, it will be investigated and if a crime has been committed or people will be prosecuted and so on. So I resent the fact that I'm being told I'm not treating it.

IHAT 1

So why did you think a crime might have been committed then?

SO76

Well I didn't say crime I said if a crime had been committed.

IHAT 1

But if (inaudible).

SO76

If the police investigated.

IHAT 1 51m 15s

But if you say if a crime's been committed at that point, if a crime has been committed why did you think that a crime might have been committed?

SO76

No, no again you're not listening, you're not listening to the whole sentence.

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I am listening.

SO76

What I said to the family the police will investigate if a crime has been committed if it's quite important then due process.

IHAT 1

But to me the only information you've got when you've gone to speak to the family is that your lads have tried to save the life of somebody that is about as far as you can get from a crime being committed. So would you say that to the family?

SO76

Because I thought they might have reported it to the police to a degree appease them, they're there crying (inaudible).

IHAT 1

So you're suggesting to them then that a crime might have been committed?

SO76

No not at all, the only thing I've said to them is this is being reported to the police and it will be investigated.

IHAT 1

And if a crime's been committed.

SO76

If a crime's been committed then crime's been committed but.

IHAT 1

So there's a possibility that a crime might have been committed?

SO76

No I didn't, I'm not committing to anything all I'm saying is I've reported it to the police which I did do and I haven't hidden behind anything, I reported it straight away to the regiment er asking.

IHAT 1

OK so when you reported it to the police then.

SO76

Well I didn't directly report it to the police, I reported it to the regiment to get.

IHAT 1 52m 35s

So who did you report it to, to get the RMP involved?

SO76

Oh it would have either been Black Watch or regimental er or through to regimental headquarters.

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IHAT 1	That's not on any of their logs.
SO76	Well how did they know about the incident, how did the RNP get involved?
IHAT 1	Well it was reported to the RNP by either means I can tell you that now but it didn't come from you.
SO76	That's not true.
IHAT 1	OK well I'm telling you now it's not on any of their logs.
SO76	Well I'm telling you exactly what.
IHAT 1	I'm telling you now that their logs are verbatim, what I'm telling you now is not on any of their logs.
SO76	OK well I know what I did.
IHAT 1	OK well it's not on their logs.
SO76	That's fine, so you're saying all the logs are 100% accurate?
IHAT 1	I'm not saying that at all, I'm saying it's not on their logs.
SO76	Right OK.
IHAT 1	It says no involvement from 26 squadron and a visit cancelled Field Troop er were you due to have a visit from a General or something that day do you recall?
SO76	There's lots of people coming round or no involvement so that's from them to us are saying.
IHAT 1 53m 45s	Yeah.
SO76	So did any (inaudible) in a visit.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Doing something they're now telling me that's not required any more.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah basically there was going to be a visit and it was cancelled.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Not necessarily to us.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah there was a visit to you I can tell you there was a visit to you.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	You can't recall that or why it was cancelled.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Ehm this one's 1303.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Just to let you know I never said I directly reported to the RMP, I reported via other sources i.e. the zero call sign you know the Black Watch or the engineer regiment. I never had direct contact with the RP and I said that right at the outset earlier today as well.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Alright I'll just make that clear.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 54m 35s	OK well we'll move past that then.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Ehm 1304 which is an hour after the incident it says er request dive teams recovered body ehm at the above location, there's also a message from yourself, civvy fallen in water, can we contact RRF to get port authority onto it. Again that's from yourself, can you tell me what that's about?

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SO76	Port authority?
IHAT 1	Yeah to get port authority onto it says past the G5.
SO76	G5 is the people that deal er with the (inaudible) locals er because they are I don't know it might have been because our divers weren't available er to try and get the body recovered in some kind of other way.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	So G2 have passed it to G5?
IHAT 2	Yeah
SO76	OK.
IHAT 1	You don't recall what's that about?
SO76	No.
IHAT 1	OK what sort of thing would the port authority do?
SO76	Well they have some kind of equipment maybe divers or something like that.
IHAT 1	OK.
SO76	As a guess. Did they say why the dive team's not available?
IHAT 1	Er no.
SO76	OK.
IHAT 1	Ehm OK there's a log here it's from ehm 26 to zero er it says ehm basically describes about the people coming to the gate.
SO76	Hm mm.

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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Ehm and as you say is that they start killing Brits and that he had his hands tied
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Ehm and then kind of the action on it is told 2 I/C 26 to retrace the civvy interpreter who assisted 26 support troop at the site.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	He told me what sorry?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Retrace the civvy interpreter who assisted 26 support troop at site so at the site of the drowning effectively.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK does that imply find.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	For you to retrace the civvy interpreter who assisted 26 support troop at the site.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK I'm not really sure what that means, for me to go and find the interpreter who was there with the support troop guys at the site.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Didn't realise they had an interpreter with them down there, is that saying that there was an interpreter down there on the site with them, I don't remember that they had an interpreter with him, with them.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Was that message passed to you?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I don't recall about the thing about the interpreter, I don't recall the thing about the interpreter.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	So you've obviously told us before that you recall this incident about them turning up at the gate.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> <input type="text" value="SO76"/>	And that you would have reported that up the line.

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Yeah.

OK and you were told to retrace the civvy interpreter who assisted 26 support troop at the site.

OK I don't recall that bit so that's the message we've sent to our headquarters, so it's from us.

Well headquarters have been told.

No this is us sending you to them yeah.

No bear with me through to 32 regiment Royal Engineer headquarters have been told that there was a civvy interpreter at the site who assisted OK.

OK.

So they've come back after you sent that message and said go and find that interpreter.

Right OK I don't recall that bit but if they.

So you have no knowledge about that bit there, about the bit about the?

No I didn't say I have no knowledge I said I don't recall.

Because you do have knowledge of it.

59m 50s

No I said I don't recall it there's a difference.

What's the difference?

There's a difference between remembering something and knowing something I don't remember that bit. I remember sending a message saying family turning up and wanting the body back and so on and so forth and hands behind his back er

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	but the bit about the interpreter I don't remember that there was an interpreter down there with him.
IHAT 1	Come back to that, it's basically 1630 now ehm the fact that the people the Iraqi family allegedly returned saying that his hands were,nt tied.
SO76	Were not tied together?
IHAT 1	Were tied together yeah.
SO76	Yeah because I remember that message coming through.
IHAT 1	Yeah that's at quarter past four in the afternoon ehm it's basically repeated.
SO76	So who informed the police then, the RMP of the incident, it would have been at brigade headquarters because that's where they're based.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	So as soon as messages went up to brigade headquarters about an incident then the RMP would have been notified and interestingly the message here says several (inaudible) which include the Provost already so they were already aware that this is happening by then.
IHAT 1	OK on ehm 24 <sup>th</sup> which is the day after.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	There's a message from er 26 to Zero at 1910 hours which says reference the civilian drowning incident 2 I/C's anxious to get the SIB to carry out investigation now as the local interpreters have briefed him that after an incident like this the family have to receive certain visits and rituals.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	Can you remember that message?

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SO76	No but er not specifically that message but basically that's me chasing up my original request for police to get involved so we could get started and happening.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	That just backs up what I've been saying the whole time about reporting to the police.
IHAT 1	Well this is at ten past seven on 24 <sup>th</sup> .
SO76	The day after I'm basically.
IHAT 1	Yeah I mean.
SO76	I'm basically chasing up saying what.
IHAT 1	Well the SIB are already aware, they're already involved a long time before that message has been sent.
SO76	Yeah but that's me chasing up my previous reports my previous report.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	You're not I'm sorry to say this but you seem to be picking up certain words in sentences and not taking the whole context.
IHAT 1	Well I've just read that verbatim.
SO76	Yeah and what does it say the 2 I/C is anxious to get the SIB to carry out investigation now.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	What that intimates is well what's been going on so far nothing's happened so far, I'm chasing up my original from yesterday probably saying I reported this

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IHAT 1 SO76	yesterday and no-one's got in touch with us and no-one seems to be doing anything about it so can we please hurry up with it that's what I'm saying there.
IHAT 1 SO76	Hm mm. And I think it sounds like an angrily worded message as well to say why isn't anything happening.
IHAT 1 SO76	So you can remember that one then? No I don't remember specifically sending that message but I clearly did, no I don't specifically remember that but that just backs up what I've been saying that I did report it and ask for police assistance.
IHAT 1 SO76	Yeah. And 24 hours later I'm saying where is it.
IHAT 1 SO76	And if you go into the log. And there are rituals with regards to you know 24 hour burials and so on and so forth.
IHAT 1 SO76	Would you ehm recognise specific ehm log keepers writing? What now?
IHAT 1 SO76	Hm mm. No.
IHAT 1 SO76	Right there's no point in showing you then. Have you got any comments about the logs ehm.
IHAT 2	I mean the only comment and I think you probably gone over it enough was really was that ehm the substance of one of those er comments was about a man sunk.
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SO76 1.05:30	Hm mm.
IHAT 2	And (inaudible) the way it was explained to you but not long after that it suddenly changed to the child and drowning was mentioned as opposed to sunk.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 2	Ehm and the whole purpose of going through these logs is we understand you know it's 12 years ago.
SO76	Hm mm.
IHAT 2	But we obviously spoken to other people and they're giving us accounts which are slightly different to what you've told us today which is only right that we should put those points to you.
SO76	Is it slightly different or is it, so far nothing that I've said has deviated from what those logs have said.
IHAT 1	Yeah i mean it's.
SO76	And OK the words used may be (inaudible) change of kid, man, drowned, sunk er but there's probably about 20 people different people involved in writing those logs on various radio nets and things are happening pretty quickly as you can imagine.
IHAT 1	Hm mm.
SO76	So I didn't read anything in there that I'd say they should that's gone oh my god.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76	Shocked me er it seems to be a pretty er like good or accurate account of what happened, somebody fell in the water however they felt.
IHAT 1 1.06:50	Hm mm.

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SO76	Er they sunk and drowned and our guys, we had two guys in the water trying to recover they were unable to do so then we got them out of the water, got them back to base. Er it was reported through and we requested police involvement immediately er for our own protection if anything at least then you can say hand on heart it's being investigated and therefore the right thing's been done.						
IHAT 2	I mean is it helping you us going through those logs jogging your memory?						
SO76	It's helping me to a certain extent but it's not helping me assist in saying yes I had a conversation with SO70, it's not helping in that at all.						
IHAT 1	No I mean obviously that comment was made as you know by ehm [REDACTED]						
SO76	[REDACTED]						
IHAT 2	Ehm I don't doubt it's.						
IHAT 1	Does that job any?						
SO76	No it doesn't.						
IHAT 1	No?						
SO76	And I'm not treating that, the incident as insignificant as I said before but it could have been er I can't remember.						
IHAT 1	What is not in dispute is that, that lad ended up in the water and he drowned.						
SO76	That's agreed.						
IHAT 1	What is not in dispute is that two soldiers jumped in the river and tried to save his life.						
SO76	Hm mm.						
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<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK that is not in dispute OK what the difference is the Iraqi witnesses say he was pushed in the water.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	By the soldiers OK and what the soldiers are saying is that they didn't push him in the water.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Now that is what we're trying to get to the bottom of.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	I agree.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And how did he end up in the water, now we can go through and discuss these logs all day it's still not going to tell us how that happened.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No that's pivotal.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	But what is crucial is what happened at the scene and there's anomalies within the logs.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	There's things that we don't understand OK and one of the things that we don't understand is what <input type="text" value="SO70"/> told you about what happened at the dockside OK because he was there.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And without a doubt, without a shadow of a doubt he had a conversation with you when he got back to the dock.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 1:08:55	Without a shadow of a doubt OK.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well <input type="text" value="SO76"/> 's statement says he spoke to me yes.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK, OK let me explain.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	But how does that?						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Let me expand on that.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Without a doubt <input type="text" value="SO70"/> had a conversation with you about what happened at the dockside that resulted in that boy drowning, that is as far as I'm concerned is, is exactly what would have happened simply because of your role as the 2 I/C of the squadron.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah OK.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK in charge of the ops room.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK without a doubt he would have had that conversation with you OK and you're unable to record that conversation.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Correct.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And there's other things, so there's things in here that might assist you in jogging your memory OK.						
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	The thing that would you know er if <input type="text" value="SO70"/> stood in front of me and said this is what we talked about that might recall it but at the moment I do not recall that conversation.						
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK well what is also apparent in these logs is, is the change of language OK which I think the change of language in here is following your conversation with <input type="text" value="SO70"/> OK.						
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That's an assumption you're making.

Well it's an assumption I'm making but it's an assumption that anybody, not just me because I've been an investigator for a very, very long time.

Hm mm.

OK and I've worked with investigators, we've been investigators for a long time who also have made the same assumption if you want to call it assumption.

Yeah.

And actually lawyers who would look at this would also make the same assumption OK but the language has changed following your conversation with  OK that's without doubt.

And what's the, you said the language has changed from man fell in or pushed in or whatever it was before two child drowning.

Yeah child drowning and then we've got this to retrace the civvy interpreter who assisted 26 er support troop at the site OK which obviously and we'll talk about that in a bit more depth a bit later but then it says at 1630 hours OK between two people who I accept are unconnected to you or your radio net update on drowned Arab report 2 x Royal Engineers soldiers witnessed some looting and through a local man who spoke English told the crowd to stop. At this point two men ran and jumped into the nearby river, so now they've jumped, they didn't fell, one man drowned despite the two sappers attempt to rescue him. Since the incident six Iraqis have turned up at engineer location, grid reference given and demand the body or the father would kill one of the soldiers. He also claimed that he witnessed the soldiers tie his son's hands. Now that information OK clearly have come from the engineers because he, the only people who know that is the engineers.

Yeah.

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**IHAT 1** 1.11:55 The only bit about, the only people who know what happened at the dock are the engineers OK and in it.

**SO76**  
And.

**IHAT 1**  
Just bear with me, the only way that that information could have come from the engineers at the dock and passed over the net, up the chain to these people is from you.

**SO76**  
OK alright interesting you, can you read that out again regarding the local Iraqi man who spoke English because the previous log you read to me suggest it was one of our interpreters.

**IHAT 1**  
No that's not what we're saying it's the civvy interpreter at the sight OK and what the.

**SO76**  
It's not a civvy interpreter that happened, what that says that was a local man who happened to speak English.

**IHAT 1**  
I can cut through this.

**SO76**  
Please do.

**IHAT 1**  
What's happened is or what **SO70** and his ehm er co-accused would say was that there was a local man at the site who spoke English and that is the person that you or this information has said tell the 2 I/C to go and find this person because he would be able to corroborate the story provided by the soldiers and then that's come in a follow up logs so somebody.

**SO76**  
Hm mm.

**IHAT 1**  
Has received that information from the people at the scene.

**SO76**  
Yeah.

**IHAT 1** 1.13:05 And passed it up the chain so it's been recorded I would suggest accurately.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hm mm.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	And a log from 7 <sup>th</sup> Armour Brigade to divisional headquarters.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	So' who's passed that information then?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well that probably came from us.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	When you say us who in particular?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	26.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	OK and who within 26?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Just go back a step actually er.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Well can you answer the question who within 26?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Well no not at the moment I just want to read that again if I may.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Update on drowned Arab report, 2 x Royal Engineer soldiers witnessed some looting and through a local man who spoke English told the crowd to stop. At this point two men ran and jumped into the nearby river, 1 x man drowned despite the two sappers attempt to rescue him. Since the incident six Iraqis have turned up at the engineers location, grid reference given and demanded the body or the father (one of the six) British soldiers, he also claimed that he witnessed the soldiers tie his son's hands.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	OK that sounds like a bit of a summary of information we've probably provided.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Right.

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IHAT 1	So all of it then?
SO76	Yes but.
IHAT 1	So if that's a summary of all the information that one person has provided it includes the fact that they turned up at the gate, it also includes some information about soldiers witnessed some looting and through a local man who spoke English told the crowd to stop. So you can't have it both ways, it's either come from 26 or it hasn't.
SO76	I think it probably has come from 26.
IHAT 1	OK so who at 26 would have provided that information?
SO76	Well the ops room.
IHAT 1	Who in the ops room?
SO76	Oh you want me to say specifically myself?
IHAT 1	No I'm asking who in the ops room.
SO76	OK er the chances are I was probably involved in er passing that information on.
IHAT 1	OK so if you.
SO76	And I would have got that information.
IHAT 1	Yeah.
SO76 1.15:00	Er as far as I could from our soldiers and yes of course I will you know I spoke to them probably at some point, how many hours later is that, when's that?
IHAT 1	That is dated at 1613.
SO76	On the same day?

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IHAT 1	On the same day.
SO76	Yeah so but that information.
IHAT 1	So is that helping you to recall the conversation you had with <input type="text" value="SO70"/> ?
SO76	No that's not.
IHAT 1	Even though you've passed that information up there you don't recall the conversation with <input type="text" value="SO70"/> ?
SO76	I do not recall the conversation with <input type="text" value="SO70"/>
IHAT 1	Even though it's been said tell the 2 I/C to retrace the civvy interpreter?
SO76	Who's telling me to do that?
IHAT 1	Well this is the log from 32 but basically the result of you passing this information to 32.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 1	They said go back and find that civvy interpreter and then 32 I would suggest have passed that message up the chain so it's eventually ended up.
SO76	This is the first time the civvy interpreter's getting mentioned.
IHAT 1	Well that's another good point.
SO76	Yeah I don't recall the conversation with <input type="text" value="SO70"/> , I genuinely don't.
IHAT 1	Any questions?
IHAT 2	No not on that point.
IHAT 1	Right can we then just pause the CDs.

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<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Hmm?
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	Just pause the CD a minute.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 1.16:35	OK the time is 1525 hours just going to suspend the interview.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> 1.16:45	Right the time is 1536 hours this is a continuation of an interview that we have with.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	<input type="text" value="SO76"/>
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	I'm <input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/> an investigator with IHAT from Upavon in the UK.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/>	I'm <input type="text" value="IHAT 1"/> also er investigator with IHAT from the UK.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Can you just confirm the same persons are present then?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yes.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Thank you right ehm what we'd like to go through now <input type="text" value="SO76"/> is there was a case file diary which er are you familiar with case file diaries it's what basically RNP use?
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	In order to ehm conduct their investigations.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	No.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	Right what they will do is they on a day to day basis or even on an hourly basis depending on the enquiry.
<input type="text" value="SO76"/>	Yeah.
<input type="text" value="IHAT 2"/>	They will update it as to what they've carried out.

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SO76	OK.
IHAT 2	OK so what I want to make reference to ehm is there's a reference on 21 <sup>st</sup> June which is on page 11 of the case file diary which makes reference to informed by OC 26 squadron that the four suspects have returned to Germany early details to be clarified.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 2	Would you have been aware of that?
SO76	Yeah that sounds like when we demobilised, we left Iraq, the squadron pretty much left Iraq together towards the end of June.
IHAT 2	Yeah?
SO76	So round that time I expect, I can't remember the exact dates I probably got them somewhere but.
IHAT 2	I mean would you have been part of that particular enquiry with the RMP?
SO76	Enquiry or (inaudible)?
IHAT 2	Or notification?
SO76	Yeah probably.
IHAT 2	Yeah?
SO76	Yeah you break up people in different chinks and you travel across a few weeks you don't all necessarily go on one flight so over a number of weeks from probably the end of June yeah early July we're all back in Germany sort of by early mid July I think.
IHAT 2	Yeah and would there have been any reason why you would have been specifically notified about their movements as opposed to everybody else?

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SO76	Yes well to the RMP yes because of the specifics of this case.						
IHAT 2	Right and would the RMP have requested any course or movements of those individuals?						
SO76	Oh probably yes suspect they probably asked us if they do any movements or let us know where they go but that's not hard to find as well ehm but they could of, they just asked for them and we would have told them where they are er yeah I can't tell you the second if there was an exact specific request from the RMP to do that.						
IHAT 2	OK that's fair enough, right on page 5 of the same case file diary.						
SO76	Yeah.						
IHAT 2	There's an entry which is on serial 27 and it's dated 25 <sup>th</sup> May.						
SO76	Right.						
IHAT 2	And the actual account as it reads spoke to Lt <input type="text"/> BPO 7, Brigade, he stated that the engineer section of Brigade were enquiring about what was being done and about the incident in question. It also appears members to the engineering unit concerned have made contact with the local Iraqis involved. Lt <input type="text"/> informed that the engineer unit has been informed that no contact has been made with the Iraqis and they would be informed of relevant details regarding the investigation in due course. Is that something that you would have been aware of?						
SO76	It's the only contact I can think of is the family coming to see us but we didn't, I don't remember going actively contacting them.						
IHAT 2	No?						
SO76	No not actively going out there and contacting the family.						
IHAT 2	Because earlier ehm this morning when we were speaking to you, you mentioned the fact that er patrols were prevented or stopped from visiting the dockside?						
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SO76	I think so, I'm not a hundred per cent sure.
IHAT 2	Yeah?
SO76	But we may have stayed away from that area till things had calmed down but it wasn't er we didn't actively go and try and talk find people er but the only contact I'm aware of is when the family came up to the gate and said you know some thing numerous times.
IHAT 2	Right so.
SO76	And that also backs up the fact that we're asking what's going on about it.
IHAT 2	Right so were you aware of any units still using the dockside?
SO76	From ourselves?
IHAT 2	From yourselves.
SO76	I can't give you a definitive answer on that.
IHAT 2	No?
SO76	And in the aftermath are you talking about the immediate?
IHAT 2	Well it's just that, that particular section of the case file diary.
SO76	Yeah.
IHAT 2	And it's Sgt Piscopo which is that a name that's familiar with you?
SO76	No.
IHAT 2	He was the RMP Sgt that was investigating the case.
SO76	OK.

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<b>IHAT 2</b>	Possibly the same person that took a statement from you.
<b>SO76</b>	Possibly.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	Could be yeah.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	He's put that comment in is of you know which obviously suggests that engineers have gone down and spoken to Iraqis having been informed that they weren't to do so.
<b>SO76</b>	Can you just read that out again please?
<b>IHAT 1</b>	<b>IHAT 2</b>
<b>IHAT 2</b>	By all means, it also appears members of the engineer unit concerned have made contact with the local Iraqis involved. Lt <input type="text"/> informed that the engineer unit must be informed that no contact is to be made with the Iraqis and they would be informed of relevant details regarding the investigation in due course.
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah the only contact I'm aware of is when the family came to the base.
<b>IHAT 2</b>	Yeah.
<b>SO76</b>	And said what they said.
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Which you said the RMP were well aware.
<b>SO76</b>	Is that what they said?
<b>IHAT 1</b>	Which said the RMP have are well aware what,s been going on its all over the logs (inaudible).
<b>SO76</b>	Yeah.

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