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From: Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command
To: Lieutenant Colonel Phillip Simmons, USMC

Subj: DELEGATION OF DETAILING AUTHORITY TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL PHILLIP SIMMONS USMC

Ref: (a) R.C.M. 503, MCM (2005 ed.)
(b) JAGINST 5800.7c, para. 0130 (JAGMAN)

1. Pursuant to the reference, you are hereby delegated detailing authority for those cases arising from alleged misconduct in Haditha, Iraq during November 2005.

2. Reference (a) requires that a detailed defense counsel represent service members at Special and General Courts-Martial. Reference (b) provides that Navy and Marine Corps Judge Advocates may be detailed as Defense Counsel by their Commanders or their designee.

3. As Commander, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command and as Commanding General, I Marine Expeditionary Force, I authorize you to detail defense counsel under my cognizance or qualified counsel from other commands, if made available for detailing by the appropriate command authority.

4. This detailing authority authorizes you to detail one detailed defense counsel per accused. Requests for individual military counsel (IMC) shall be forwarded via trial counsel to my Staff Judge Advocate, Lieutenant Colonel G.W. Riggs (or his successor), who will forward those requests to the appropriate commander for a determination of reasonable availability.

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