



In June 2006 I was hired by Blackwater as a Protective Security Specialist. I have successfully completed all qualification courses required by the U.S Department of State to carry the M4 rifle, Glock 9mm pistol, M203 grenade launcher, M249 machinegun, M240 Machinegun, Remington 870 shotgun, and have had familiarization instructions on the AK 47. I also participated in medical training. After training, I was deployed to Iraq and worked on Team 32 in Kirkuk from July/2006 to Aug/2006 and Team 20 Green detail in Baghdad from Aug 2006 to present. During this time, I have made numerous split second shoot don't shoot decisions. I have received a Certificate of Superior Achievement from [REDACTED]

## Incident

On 15 Sep 2007 at approximately 1230 hours, team 23 deployed out of checkpoint 12 in direct support of team 4's return. Team 23 locked down Gray 87 38SMB4008084973 to help Raven 4 get into Checkpoint 12 quickly. As our motorcade pulled into the intersection I noticed a white four door sedan driving directly at our motorcade from the west bound lane. I and others were yelling, and using hand signals for the car to stop and the driver looked directly at me and kept moving toward our motorcade. Fearing for my life and the lives of my teammates, I engaged the driver and stopped the threat. At the same moment, I started receiving small arms fire from the shack approximately fifty meters behind the car. I then engaged the individuals where the muzzle flashes came from. A uniformed individual then started pushing the vehicle toward the motorcade and again I shouted and engaged the vehicle until it came to a stop. I was told on our radio that the command vehicle was down, and that we were still taking fire. The TC advised me to take the six as the command was towed out. As I turned my turret to the six, there was a man in a blue button down shirt with black pants that had his AK oriented to the rear gunner in the follow vehicle. Fearing for the gunner's life, I engaged the individual and stopped the threat. As we were being towed out of the intersection, I again was engaged by small arms fire from the red bus that was stopped at the intersection. I engaged the individuals and stopped the threat. As we were being pulled out of the intersection, I was told "contact left vehicle close". Fearing for my life, I engaged the suspect vehicle in order to stop the threat. As I turned the turret back to my sector, there was a red vehicle backing toward the command vehicle. Fearing that it was a vbied, I engaged in order to stop the threat. As we were going over the curb, I noticed several civilians and I was motioning, and screaming that they get down and find cover. After passing thru Grey 73 I called out over the radio to watch the left side rooftops as there were two men watching our motorcade, but we were not engaged by those individuals. We returned to the International Zone without further incident.///END///