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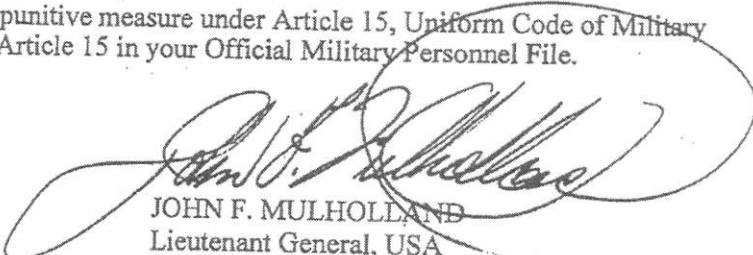
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23 July 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR Major James K. Gant, [REDACTED] Headquarters and Headquarters Company, United States Army Special Operations Command, Fort Bragg, NC 28310-9110

SUBJECT: Administrative Reprimand

1. You are reprimanded for your dereliction of duty, disobeying a lawful order and conduct unbecoming an officer.
2. While deployed to Afghanistan it was discovered that you committed numerous violations of provisions of U.S. Central Command General Order 1B and CJSOTF-A Operational Guidance between 15 June 2010 and 14 March 2012. You were found to be wrongfully possessing and consuming alcohol and possessed abundant schedule IV controlled substances in your living quarters. You created an operational security risk by allowing Ms. Ann Tyson, an uncleared U.S. civilian, to reside in your living quarters and allowing her uncontrolled access to VSSA Penich, VSP Chowkay, and VSP Mangwell. You compromised the U.S. mission in Afghanistan by storing classified materials in your living space allowing Ms. Tyson unauthorized access to classified information. You put members of your command and the Afghan Partner Force at extreme and unnecessary risk by using them to facilitate movement of Ms. Tyson throughout your areas of responsibility.
3. While fully acknowledging your record of honorable and valorous service to the Regiment, our Army and our country, the simple truth is that your subsequent conduct was inexcusable and brought disrepute and shame to the Special Forces Regiment and Army Special Operations. You were entrusted to maintain the highest standards of discipline, operational deportment, and leadership in an environment of austere conditions and high risk; the very conditions in which Special Forces is intended to thrive. Instead, you indulged yourself in a self-created fantasy world, consciously stepping away from even the most basic standards of leadership and behavior accepted as a norm for an officer in the U.S. Army. In the course of such self-indulgence, you exposed your command and the reputation of the Regiment to unnecessary and unacceptable risk. In short, your actions disgraced you as an officer and seriously compromised your character as a gentleman. Such incredibly poor judgment, actions and lack of moral character will not and cannot be tolerated.
4. This reprimand is imposed as a punitive measure under Article 15, Uniform Code of Military Justice and will be filed with your Article 15 in your Official Military Personnel File.



JOHN F. MULHOLLAND
Lieutenant General, USA
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