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ORIGINATOR'S SUSPENSE: \_\_\_\_\_ COLLAB SUSPENSE: \_\_\_\_\_

COORDINATION SUSPENSE: \_\_\_\_\_

SUBJECT: ONE PAGE PAPER: ALL EVIDENCE THAT ABU GHURAYB WAS BW PRODUCTION FACILITY INSTEAD OF INFANT FORMULA PLANT

INTERNAL ROUTING			PREVIOUS ACTION
ACTION	COLLABORATION	COORDINATION	INFORMATION
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INFORMATION AND GUIDANCE

*Will go to the Chairman and then the President. Provide coordinated DIA position to ITF not later than 0600 6 Feb. Whatever length necessary (1 page rgnmt eliminated).*

SUB ELEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

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Declassification Date: April 12, 2024

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OPERATOR'S COMMENTS  
 PROVIDE J2 WITH ONE (1) PAGE PAPER outlining all the evidence that the Abu Ghurayb "Infant Formula Plant" was a BW production facility, and any evidence to the suspension is ASAP. (Verbal has been passed to (b)(3) 10 USC 424 is on reserve duty.)

SUB ELEMENT INSTRUCTIONS

RETURN WITH COMPLETED ACTION TO:

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6 Feb 91

POSITION PAPER

Subject: Biological Warfare (BW) Association of Abu Ghurayb  
"Infant Formula" Plant ~~(C)~~

1. ~~(C)~~ Purpose. To provide the DIA position on the function of the Abu Ghurayb "Infant Formula" Plant.

2. (U) Discussion.

a. ~~(S/NF)~~ This plant has been carried as a suspect facility. It is not a confirmed BW plant. DIA does, however, have evidence of its BW connections. The plant was built by a French company, completed in 1982. It has never been used to produce infant formula, but has been maintained in mint condition.

b. ~~(S/NF)~~ The plant has several features that do not belong in a baby formula production plant. Security is very tight --- the facility is surrounded by barbed wire and guard towers. In December 1990, when war looked imminent, the Iraqis began to camouflage the plant. If it was merely a baby formula plant, they could have made it obviously civilian, and DIA's judgment about the facility might have been different.

c. ~~(S/NF/WN)~~ The equipment in the plant reportedly included fifteen fermentors and high efficiency particulate filters. Fermentors are for growing microorganisms and not producing infant formula. High efficiency particulate filters are associated with the containment of highly infectious microorganisms. The recently destroyed high containment BW facility at Salman Pak, for example, also had these types of filters installed.

3. ~~(S/NF)~~ The overall assessment on this plant is that it was correctly identified as a suspect BW facility. Iraq may have intended it to be a backup plant for their agent production program. To that end, they took good care of it, but apparently never used it as an infant formula plant. The clumsy attempt to place formula around a plant to stage a media event backfired when the Nestle Company denied they had any connection to Iraq; Nestle products were shown on the video.

4. (U) This paper has been coordinated within DIA and with (b)(3) 10 USC 424

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b. ~~(S/NF)~~ The plant has some features that do not belong in a baby formula production plant. Security is very tight --- the facility is surrounded by barbed wire and guard towers. In December 1990, when war looked imminent, the Iraqis began to camouflage the plant. If it was merely a baby formula plant, they could have made it obviously civilian, and DIA's judgment about the facility might have been different.

c. ~~(S/NF)~~ The plant has some equipment that would be useful in biological processing, such as fermenters and spray towers. These items are dual-purpose and could be used to make both BW agent and baby formula.

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Information on Biological Warfare (BW) Association of Abu Ghurayb  
"Infant Formula" Plant (U)

~~(S/NF)~~ This plant has been carried as a SUSPECT facility. It is not a confirmed BW plant. We do, however, have evidence of its BW connections. The plant was built by a French company, completed in 1982. It has never been used as intended, but has been maintained in mint condition.

~~(S/NF)~~ The plant has some features that just don't belong in a place that makes baby formula. Security is very tight- the place is surrounded by barbed wire and guard towers. When war looked imminent, they began to camouflage the place in December 1990. If it is what they say it is, why didn't they just open it up and declare it should be left alone?

~~(S/NF)~~ The plant has some equipment that would be useful in biological processing such as fermenters and spray towers. These items are used in making both BW agent and formula.

~~(S/NF)~~ The overall assessment on this plant is that it was correctly identified as a suspect facility. Iraq may have intended it to be a backup plant for their agent production program. To that end they took good care of it, but apparently never used it as an infant formula plant. The clumsy attempt to place formula around a plant (wrong one- wasn't at Abu Ghurayb) to stage a media event backfired when the Nestle company denied they had any connection to Iraq; Nestle products were shown on the video.

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