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**From:** NZSAS.CO <PSR(S)2, PSR(S)3 on behalf of NZSAS.CO  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 September 2010 11:50  
**Subject:** RE: ~~[EXTERNAL RELEASE]~~ VISIT TO BAF DETENTION CENTRE

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**From:** WAATEA.SNO  
**Sent:** Wednesday, 29 September 2010 6:50 a.m.  
**To:** SWAN - HQNZDF.DSO; @CO  
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Just passed on to <sup>PSR(isen)1</sup> He was not aware - but he will check DXIS.

So you are aware, this task was a result of our minister's visit. The reason the ambassador is going is so that a Minister doesn't have to.

As to release a of IAT findings to the media - I am informed that this hasn't happened yet and may not. The DCOM ISAF SOF will look into it. Honestly, though - you need to steady our Minister down. There is no link from the media to say that NZ had any involvement and therefore the whole incident has passed NZ by. Furthermore the allegations levelled against the AWT are just that - to date, the Governor has not produced any proof of any accidental deaths despite the investigation team pressing him to do so. Moreover, our Minister should be absolutely satisfied that all NZ actions are completely defensible and undertaken with the highest standards of discipline and IAW with the ROE.

Plus, he should not be concerned about any kiwi reaction should it become public knowledge - If Kiwis found out that the blokes who killed LT O'Donnell had had another crack at Kiwis and came off second best this time - most would be very happy about it.

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**From:** HQNZDF.DSO [mailto:PSR(S)3, PSR(S)2  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 28 September 2010 1:06 a.m.  
**To:** WAATEA.SNO; @CO  
**Subject:** VISIT TO BAF DETENTION CENTRE  
**Importance:** High

Chris,

From CDF, members of the NZDF are not permitted to visit any detention centre in Afghanistan regardless of the circumstances. It's fair to say when JFNZ briefed the planned visit by the Amb, SNO Ariki, CO Watea and LSO Watea to BAF Detention centre on the 29th, he became quite animated. They got in ahead of me, I was to brief this during the compartmentalised brief but they covered this off under Ariki.

The Amb may need further direction from his Minister to ensure he is aligned with the Min thinking on this one.

Please ack.

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