

**TITLE: (FRIENDLY FIRE) BLUE-WHITE RPT [REDACTED] :  
1 CIV KIA**

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DATEOCCURRED: 2008-02-28 13:13  
TYPE: Friendly Fire  
CATEGORY: Blue-White  
SUMMARY: SIGACT MGR: Report from [REDACTED] 281100 h Feb 08  
REPORT TYPE: Initial  
WHO: [REDACTED],  
WHEN: 281100FEB08  
WHERE: [REDACTED] PROVINCE - [REDACTED]  
WHAT: Engagement  
HOW: [REDACTED] received laser spot handover of 5 x IED emplacers on RTE Golden. AWT was cleared by MNF-W. AWT engaged with HF missile.  
INITIAL BDA : UNKNOWN  
UPDATE AND FINAL:  
[REDACTED] was completing their mission in support of [REDACTED] when the AWT received a BFT message at approximately 1015C from [REDACTED]. The message stated that the [REDACTED] had spotted IED emplacers on [REDACTED] at LC [REDACTED]. The AWT and a [REDACTED] arrived on station simultaneously and began de-conflicting airspace and developing the situation. Both air crews attempted to make contact with [REDACTED] on FM but the [REDACTED] was not operating properly and the [REDACTED] had to develop the situation and pass all information via BFT. The SWT cleared blue/green forces through [REDACTED] and contacted the Marine unit ([REDACTED]) who owned the battle space through MNF-W. The SWT verified blue/green clearance and provided [REDACTED] with a SITREP. [REDACTED] offered to move to location of IED emplacers if requested; all information was passed to the AWT from the SWT. The SWT did not have the capability to view [REDACTED] laser spot and departed the area to conduct FARP operations at [REDACTED] at 1130C. The AWT conducted a laser spot handover of the 5 x IED emplacers who were trying to blend in with a sheep herd at 1043C. At 1051C, the AWT obtained PID of the individuals on the shoulder of [REDACTED] and confirmed hostile intent via BFT from [REDACTED] and the [REDACTED] with the given initials of [REDACTED]. After confirming PID through BFT with [REDACTED] the lead A/C ([REDACTED]) engaged 2 x IED emplacers at 1115C with 1 x [REDACTED] observing positive target effect and followed at 1116C with 30 x 30mm at LC [REDACTED]. The lead A/C observed 1 x EKIA who was still at the engagement location and 1 x EWIA who had egressed to the bank of the river that ran parallel to [REDACTED]. The trail A/C ([REDACTED]) maintained PID on one of the fleeing individuals and engaged at 1121C with 20 x 30mm at LC [REDACTED]. The AWT followed another fleeing individual to a house at LC [REDACTED] but the AWT could not engage the individual due to civilians on the battlefield. The AWT then broke station due to end of mission window and returned to COB [REDACTED] at 1213C.  
FINAL BDA: 1 X AQI/ISI (CONFIRMED THRU GUN TAPE), 1 X AQI/ISI (UNCONFIRMED)  
S-2 ASSESSMENT: This activity is about 5K south of the closest grouping of IED emplacement over the past month. IED emplacement

this close to the MCC could be an early warning system set-up for upcoming insurgent operations against CF and the SoI who are beginning to emplace new CP along [REDACTED].

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WEST REORT:

At 281313CFEB08, [REDACTED] conducted QRF to confirm or deny BDA of engaged IED emplacers in [REDACTED] IVO ([REDACTED] [REDACTED]) 22km NE of COP [REDACTED]. At 1040C, MND-N requested to cross boundary 2km into MNF-W battlespace to investigate (6) insurgents laying an IED (digging frantically) on [REDACTED]. At that time, an MND-N unit reported having visual confirmation. At 1044C, MNF-W gave MND-N cross boundary permission. At 1115C, [REDACTED] (2 x AH-64 apaches) engaged the IED emplacers and reported (1) EKIA and the (5) other insurgents fleeing to a building IVO ([REDACTED] [REDACTED]). The QRF element ([REDACTED] with 20 IA soldiers), arrived at the building at 1424C and identified 40 personnel there. Upon searching the area, the QRF element found the (1) EKIA to be a 13-year old male. The QRF element was told by the CIVs on site that it was (6) children digging for roots to use as fire wood. After the (1) 13-year old boy was killed the other children ran out of fear. The people at the house walked the IA unit through the entire incident and led them to the site of the engagement. There was no evidence of an IED found. The IA unit was also shown the tools used for digging and white bags of roots with sand in the bottom. [REDACTED] conducted an explosive residue spray test returning a negative result. [REDACTED] returned to FOB [REDACTED] with the 40 civilians and the body of the (1) CIV KIA. At the time of this report, all CIVs have been returned by the IA unit. The (1) CIV KIA is currently at FOB [REDACTED] and will be released to family members. All personnel were wearing required PPE. No injury to personnel or damage to equipment was reported.

Update # 1 [REDACTED]-The CIV KIA has been returned to family members.

REGION:	MND-N
ATTACKON:	FRIEND
FRIENDLYWIA:	0
FRIENDLYKIA:	0
HOSTNATIONWIA:	0
HOSTNATIONKIA:	0
CIVILIANWIA:	0
CIVILIANKIA:	1
ENEMYWIA:	0
ENEMYKIA:	0
ENEMYDETAINED:	0
CCIR:	FFIR4 - POSSIBLE OR CONFIRMED FRIENDLY FIRE INCIDENT
SIGACT:	MNC-I SIGACTS MGR
AFFILIATION:	FRIEND
DCOLOR:	BLUE
CLASSIFICATION:	SECRET