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**Exhibit 6**

July 14, 2022

Mr. Jack A. Whitney

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Dear Mr. Whitney:

This is in response to your request for release of information from the files of the U.S. Army Criminal Investigation Division (USACID), received on July 10, 2022. Your request was assigned control number FA22-3651. The enclosed Law Enforcement Report (LER) 00065-2019-CID446-004489-5H, is responsive to your request.

The names of law enforcement personnel, as well as names, social security numbers and other personal items of information pertaining to third parties have been withheld. The withholding of this information constitutes a partial denial pursuant to Title 5, USC, Section 552, Exemptions (b)(6), and (b)(7)(C) of the FOIA, because release would violate the personal privacy of other individuals mentioned in the report. Moreover, disclosing the withheld information would harm an interest protected by these exemptions.

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You may also seek dispute resolution services by contacting the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at 877-684-6448 or by emailing [OGIS@nara.gov](mailto:OGIS@nara.gov).



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Sincerely,

*James E. Lennier, for*

Enclosure

Michelle Kardelis  
Chief, FOIA/PA Division

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2019/11/27

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Law Enforcement Report - SIR (Category 2)/Final/Collateral - 00065-2019-CID446-004489-5H8/ 5H9B

1. Offense:

- a. Accidental Death (None - No Criminal act)
- b. Undetermined Death (None - No Criminal act)

2. Dates/Times/Locations of Occurrences: 0450, 15 Mar 19 - 0450, 15 Mar 19; US SOCOM Parachute Testing and Training Facility, Pinal Airpark, Marana, AZ, 85145

3. Date/Time Reported: 1735, 15 Mar 19

4. Investigated By: INV (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

5. Subjects/Suspects: NONE; [Accidental Death]

6. Victims: Carpenter, Ethan Charles (Deceased); SFC; (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) Age 30; Male; White; Ranger Reconnaissance Company, Special Troops Battalion, 75th Ranger Regiment, Fort Benning, GA, 31905; SP; [Accidental Death]

7. Report Summary:

Mr. (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) Program Manager, Military Freefall Program, Regimental Reconnaissance Company, 75th Ranger Regiment, USASOC, Fort Benning, GA, notified CID that SFC Carpenter died during a military freefall training accident.

Pinal County Sheriff's Office (PCSO) responded and reported SFC Carpenter and another jumper collided with another jumper shortly after exiting the aircraft. A search was conducted for both individuals involved in the collision. The other party was located

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and transported for medical care. SFC Carpenter was located and life saving measures were initiated. Upon the arrival of Lifecare Air Evac, life saving measures were continued until a doctor at Banner University Medical Center Main, 1625 N. Campbell Avenue, Tucson, AZ 85719, pronounced SFC Carpenter deceased telephonically. No signs of foul play or suspicious circumstances were identified by PCSO and the preliminary investigation determined the incident to be a training accident.

The autopsy and toxicology reports from Pinal County Medical Examiner's Office (PCMEO), revealed SFC Carpenter's Cause of Death was Multiple Blunt Force Trauma and the Manner of Death was Accidental. The Toxicology report revealed there were no illegal or controlled substances found in SFC Carpenter's system.

PCSO stated no criminality indicated and no additional investigative activity is required from this office.

CID law enforcement reports may be subject to a Quality Assurance Review by CID higher headquarters

8. Unique Circumstances:

Subject position: N/A  
Victim position: Soldier  
Relationship: N/A

9. Exhibits:

a. Attached:

- (1) Agent's Investigation Report (AIR) of INV (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) 16 Jul 19.
- (2) Copy of Pinal County Sheriff's Office Report (Incident #190315035), 26 Apr 19.
- (3) [3-1 thru 3-4] Copy of Article 15-6 Photographs.

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- (4) Copy of Forensic Examination Report Case # 19-162, 1 Apr 19.
- (5) Copy of AXIS Forensic Toxicology Report, 16 Mar 19.
- (6) AIR of INV (b)(6) (b)(7)(C) 13 Aug 19.
- (7) Disc containing autopsy photographs of SFC Carpenter. (USARCR and file copies only)
- (8) CID Form 118-E-R, Disclosure Accounting Record, 31 Jul 19. (USACRC and file copies only)

b. Not Attached: None

The copies of originals retained at the CRC become the original exhibits of record when the final disposition of the originals retained by this office occurs IAW AR 25-400-2.

Commanders are reminded of the provisions of AR 600-8-2 pertaining to suspension of favorable personnel actions and AR 380-67 for the suspension of security clearances of persons under investigation. Army Law Enforcement reports are exempt from automatic termination of protective markings IAW Chapter 3, AR 25-55. IAW AR 25-22, AR190-45, and DODM 5400.07, information contained in this report is law enforcement sensitive, confidential and private in nature, and any further distribution (forwarding to unauthorized personnel) without the authorization of the Provost Marshal General will be in violation of the UCMJ and USC.

Report Prepared By

Report Approved By

Investigator (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

Special Agent in Charge (b)(6) (b)(7)(C)  
(b)(6) (b)(7)(C)

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CASE HISTORY:

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