



E TP TCNB General Comments Sheet



20 July 2012

PMKEYS: [REDACTED]

RANK: Trooper

NAME: Person 10

On the 16th July 2012, directed by the OC 2 Sqn Trooper Person 10 was transitioned to E1 due to an incident that occurred whilst he was on an SR Patrol with G2 and G3 on the 15th July 2012. The result of the incident was that on the 20th July 2012, Trooper Person 10 was given a formal warning from OC 2 SQN. The warning detailed that Trooper Person 10 was not to go out side the wire on missions with 2 Sqn until he was assessed by myself on his situational awareness and ability as a 353 operator within the Special Air Service Regiment.

On return from the SR Patrol Trooper Person 10 was initially debriefed that he would not operate as a 353 member within the Special Air Service Regiment again. Trooper Person 10 has had trouble understanding why this occurred. He believes his actions on the ground during the Patrol were justified.

Trooper Person 10 was posted to 2 Sqn in October of 2011 on completion of the reinforcement cycle. Since then he has deployed to Malaysia as part of a Training Advising Team. He has also completed a JTAC course in March of 2012. Trooper Person 10 attended the course as a reserve; he subsequently passed the course at the standard required. Trooper Person 10 fulfilled the position as primary JTAC within G2, a responsibility normally given to a senior Trooper who has Operational experience.

Trooper Person 10 now holds the position of E Troop's 'Echo'. This position is mainly administrative where he manages all the administration required for the Troop/Patrol. He will still participate in range practices and Patrol training essentially fulfilling a Patrol member position within E1.

It is my intent as his Patrol Commander to assess him on his skill sets as a 353 operator. I will do this by conducting weekly written and oral counselling sessions to produce an accurate reporting period for the remainder of the deployment. I will brief OC E Troop and OC 2 Sqn weekly on Trooper Person 10's progress.

Post this counselling session, Trooper Person 10 must ensure that he continues to be a proactive resourceful and professional soldier, instilling confidence in his peers and superiors of his professional ability as an operator. He has to ensure that the stress of the current situation does not interfere or distract him of his duties at hand. Although he is currently stood down from operating on mission profiles, he is still an operator within 2 Sqn, Special Air Service Regiment on Operations.

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If Trooper **Person 10** demonstrates and proves to his superiors that he is competent, displaying the qualities and attributes required to remain a 353 operator within The Special Air Service Regiment. Then I will recommend that he be given permission to operate on mission profiles during this deployment (SOTG 18). If he fails to demonstrate the skill sets required to operate within an SAS Patrol then I will recommend to OC E Troop and OC 2 Sqn that he cease duty within the Regiment as a 353 operator.



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PTL COMD
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