

CHARGE SHEET

I. PERSONAL DATA

1. NAME OF ACCUSED (Last, First, MI) BALES, ROBERT		2. SSN [REDACTED]	3. GRADE OR RANK SSG	4. PAY GRADE E-6	
5. UNIT OR ORGANIZATION Headquarters and Headquarters Company 2d Battalion, 3d Infantry Regiment (Rear) (Provisional) Joint Base Lewis-McChord, Washington 98433			6. CURRENT SERVICE		
			a. INITIAL DATE 14 Jan 09	b. TERM 6 Years	
7. PAY PER MONTH		8. NATURE OF RESTRAINT OF ACCUSED Pretrial Confinement	9. DATE(S) IMPOSED 11 Mar 12 – present		
a. BASIC	b. SEA/FOREIGN DUTY				c. TOTAL
\$3243.30					\$3243.30

II. CHARGES AND SPECIFICATIONS

10. CHARGE: I VIOLATION OF THE UCMJ, ARTICLE 118.

SPECIFICATION 1: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, murder a female of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting her with a firearm.

SPECIFICATION 2: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, murder a male of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting him with a firearm.

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(SEE CONTINUATION SHEET)

III. PREFERRAL

11a. NAME OF ACCUSER (Last, First, MI) [REDACTED]	b. GRADE O-5	c. ORGANIZATION OF ACCUSER 5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment
d. SIGNATURE OF ACCUSER [REDACTED]		e. DATE 23 MAR 12

AFFIDAVIT: Before me, the undersigned, authorized by law to administer oaths in cases of this character, personally appeared the above named accuser this 23 day of MARCH, 2012, and signed the foregoing charges and specifications under oath that he/she is a person subject to the Uniform Code of Military Justice and that he/she either has personal knowledge of or has investigated the matters set forth therein and that the same are true to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

<u>[REDACTED]</u> Typed Name of Officer	<u>3d Brigade (SBCT), 2d Infantry Division</u> Organization of Officer
<u>O-4</u> Grade	<u>Judge Advocate</u> Official Capacity to Administer Oath (See R.C.M. 307(b) – must be a commissioned officer)
<u>[REDACTED]</u> Signature	

12.

On 23 MAR 12, 2012, the accused was informed of the charges against him/her and of the name(s) of the accuser(s) known to me (See R.C.M. 308 (a)). (See R.C.M. 308 if notification cannot be made.)

Typed Name of Immediate Commander

5th Battalion, 20th Infantry Regiment

Organization of Immediate Commander

O-5

Grade

Signature

IV. RECEIPT BY SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL CONVENING AUTHORITY

13.

The sworn charges were received at _____ hours, _____ at 17th Fires Brigade, Joint
Designation of Command or

Base Lewis-McChord, Washington

Officer Exercising Summary Court-Martial Jurisdiction (See R.C.M. 403)

FOR THE ¹ _____

Typed Name of Officer

Commanding

Official Capacity of Officer Signing

O-6

Grade

Signature

V. REFERRAL; SERVICE OF CHARGES

14a. DESIGNATION OF COMMAND OF CONVENING AUTHORITY

b. PLACE

c. DATE (YYYYMMDD)

Referred for trial to the _____ court-martial convened by _____

_____, _____, subject to the following instructions:

By _____ of _____
Command or Order

Typed Name of Officer

Official Capacity of Officer Signing

Grade

Signature

15.

On _____, _____, I (caused to be) served a copy hereof on (each of) the above named accused.

Typed Name of Trial Counsel

Grade or Rank of Trial Counsel

Signature

FOOTNOTES: 1 — When an appropriate commander signs personally, inapplicable words are stricken.

2 — See R.C.M. 601(e) concerning instructions. If none, so state.

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SPECIFICATION 15: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, murder a male of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting him with a firearm.

SPECIFICATION 16: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, murder a male of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting him with a firearm.

SPECIFICATION 17: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, murder a male of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting him with a firearm.

CHARGE II: VIOLATION OF THE UCMJ, ARTICLE 80

SPECIFICATION 1: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, attempt to murder a male of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting him with a firearm.

SPECIFICATION 2: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, attempt to murder a female child of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting her with a firearm.

SPECIFICATION 3: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, attempt to murder a male child of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting him with a firearm.

SPECIFICATION 4: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, with premeditation, attempt to murder a female of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by means of shooting her with a firearm.

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CHARGE III: VIOLATION OF THE UCMJ, ARTICLE 128

SPECIFICATION 1: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, commit an assault upon a male of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by shooting him with a loaded firearm and did thereby intentionally inflict grievous bodily harm upon him, to wit: gunshot wound to the neck.

SPECIFICATION 2: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, commit an assault upon a female child of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by shooting her with a loaded firearm and did thereby intentionally inflict grievous bodily harm upon her, to wit: gunshot wound to the head.

SPECIFICATION 3: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, commit an assault upon a male child of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by shooting him with a loaded firearm and did thereby intentionally inflict grievous bodily harm upon him, to wit: gunshot wound to the thigh.

SPECIFICATION 4: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, commit an assault upon a female of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by shooting her with a loaded firearm and did thereby intentionally inflict grievous bodily harm upon her, to wit: gunshot wounds to the chest and groin.

SPECIFICATION 5: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, commit an assault upon a male child of apparent Afghan descent known as [REDACTED] by shooting at him with a dangerous weapon, to wit: a loaded firearm.

SPECIFICATION 6: In that Staff Sergeant (E-6) Robert Bales, U. S. Army, did, at or near Belambay, Afghanistan, on or about 11 March 2012, commit an assault upon a female child of apparent Afghan descent by shooting at her with a dangerous weapon, to wit: a loaded firearm.

(END OF CHARGES)