Appendix D

Memorandum from D. Scott Dodrill
Assistant Director, Correctional Program Division, Bureau of Prisons
to Chief Executive Officers (Oct. 12, 2011)
MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICERS

FROM:     D. Scott Doucet, Assistant Director
          Correctional Programs Division

SUBJECT: Inmate Sexual Abuse (Follow-up)

This memorandum serves as a follow-up to an earlier memorandum dated October 16, 2009, pertaining to the Office of Inspector General's Report on efforts to prevent staff sexual abuse of an inmate.

As stated in previous correspondence, placing an inmate in protective custody and/or transferring the inmate to another federal, state or local correctional facility may remain viable options to safeguard an inmate. However, Wardens must first consider other alternatives based on the circumstances of the allegation. When considering the best method to safeguard an inmate, Wardens are also required to document what methods were considered and why those alternatives to segregation or transfer were not utilized. This information will be documented in the case referral to the Office of Internal Affairs.

If you require further information on this matter, please contact me, or have your staff contact Frank Strada, Administrator, Correctional Services Branch, at 202-305-4405.
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FROM:    D. Scott Dedmon, Assistant Director
         Correctional Programs Division

SUBJECT: Inmate Sexual Abuse

In August 2009, the Bureau of Prisons responded to the Office of Inspector General's Report on efforts to prevent staff sexual abuse of an inmate. Program Statement 5324.06, Sexually Abusive Behavior Prevention Intervention Program, requires staff to immediately safeguard an inmate victim when sexually abusive behaviors have been reported. Pursuant to policy, staff should assess and consider all appropriate alternatives for safeguarding alleged inmate victims of sexual abuse.

Placing an inmate in protective custody and/or transferring the inmate to another federal, state or local correctional facility remain viable options for institution staff. However, before placing an inmate in protective custody or transferring to another facility, the circumstances surrounding the allegations should be examined. Examples of factors to consider include:

- The nature of the allegations;
- Inmate medical and/or psychological assessments and treatment needs;
- The status of the inmate (i.e., pretrial, sentenced, inmate on writ, release date) to determine whether the inmate will be moved soon;
• Whether reassignment to another unit within the institution would be sufficient;

• The ability to monitor the inmate closely in general population;

• The expected length of the investigation;

• The availability of local facilities to place the inmate; and

• If allegations concern a staff member, whether there is sufficient basis for reassigning the staff member to another post at the institution or complex, or for placing a staff member on home duty.

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