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Annex E – Legal and Policy FOCUS AREA Summary Report

Primary members of the Legal and Policy FOCUS AREA:

- USFK/8A Staff Judge Advocate
- USFK J5 Policy Representative
- USFK Engineer/U.S. Chairman to the SOFA Environmental Subcommittee

As part of the Camp Carroll Task Force (CCTF), the Legal and Policy FOCUS AREA had the following responsibilities:

- Coordinate strategic policy issues and U.S. positions with the U.S. Embassy, OSD and DoD.
- Provide legal advice and counsel.
 - Clarified U.S. overseas environmental obligations.
 - Clarified fiscal constraints as it applied to overseas environmental actions
- Provide U.S. Chairman to the Joint Investigation Team (JIT) (the JIT was formed by the SOFA Environmental Subcommittee, thus the U.S. Chairman of the SOFA Subcommittee also functioned as the U.S. Chairman to the JIT). As part of the JIT:
 - Developed geophysical test plans as well as locations for soil and water sampling.
 - Analyzed results of all testing and sampling.
 - Conduit for sharing of information/documents with the ROK representatives of the JIT.
 - Represented the U.S. side at all press conferences that released information concerning the investigation to the public.
- Provide input to the CCTF strategic communications plan.

The composition of the JIT:

- U.S. Members (10 members): Environmental experts from USFK, the USACE Far East District, IMCOM-K, and USAG-D.
- ROK Members (15 member): Environmental experts from the Ministry of Environment and Korean Universities; members of the North Gyeongsang Province and Chilgok County Environmental Offices; North Gyeongsang Province and Chilgok County Council Members; and a representative of a Korean Environmental NGO.

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