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Cc: Papakie GySgt Brian R ([redacted]
Subject: Phone call with Mr. Coombs
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Good afternoon Sir,
I just got off the phone with Mr. David Coombs in regards to Det Manning. He asked me about any unusual behavior that manning has exhibited recently and I replied, without giving any specifics, that some guards have seen Manning act strangely. LtCol Coombs stated that he heard that Manning has been licking the bars to his cell and sleep walking. Because he has obviously been briefed from some party, I did confirm that Manning has been observed licking the bars to his cell while appearing to be sleeping. I did not go into any other specifics, at which time LtCol Coombs asked if Manning has been seen by Capt Hocter. I told LtCol Coombs that Capt Hocter most recently saw Manning on 19 November, and unless Capt Hocter is on leave/TAD, he sees Manning every Friday. I'm bringing this to your attention because the specifics of Manning licking his bars was in the weekly report. The chain of this information went from guard to me, and from me to MSgt Papakie and yourself via the weekly report. To my understanding this report goes from yourself to our Commanding Officer, then to Col Choike who I assume briefs LtGen Flynn, for the reason of them being "in the know" for anything concerning Manning's confinement. It appears that information from this report is going in other directions, and I'm just not sure if that is planned or appropriate, and if it is not, who needs to know. This may all be by design above our heads, but I'm not comfortable sitting on this information and potentially leaving you or MSgt Papakie open to being blindsided.

Respectfully,
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