



The Guardian Angel

Guardian Angel: One or more members of a team or unit responsible for providing dedicated force protection during missions or at locations where Host Nation personnel are present.

What does it mean to be a Guardian Angel (GA)?

- Part of a layered, comprehensive defense – The GA complements, but does not replace, other force protection measures. This is the GA's only duty.
- Offensively-minded – The GA intends to identify, prevent, or mitigate an attack instead of simply reacting to it. The GA is prepared to regain the initiative, including conducting fire and maneuver as needed.
- A deterrent – The GA presents a hard target and reinforces that an attack will be met with appropriate response. The GA does not down-grade his/her posture.
- Situationally aware – The GA looks for indicators—things that are out of place—to prompt an appropriate, preemptive action.
- Properly positioned – The GA is in a position of dominance, where he/she can see everything and can appropriately prevent or respond to an enemy attack.
- Properly trained – The GA knows his/her duties and responsibilities, rules of engagement, and potential threat. The GA rehearses his/her actions.
- Properly equipped – The GA has the right equipment to perform his/her duties. The GA has weapon in red status, full PPE, communications, and medical kit.



Guardian Angel M.I.N.D.

Move Safely

- *Maintain an offensive mindset; stay aware*
- *Keep weapons in RED status; ready to act*
- *Coordinate entry and exit into meeting places*
- *Communicate what you see to outer security*
- *Plan or have multiple ways out when possible*

Identify the Threat

- *Look for key indicators ; "absence of the normal"*
- *Triage the room; know what right looks like*
- *Communicate what you see to others*
- *Posture yourself as a deterrent to mitigate threat*
- *Use FLASH words to communicate action*

Neutralize the Threat:

- *Maintain offensive mindset; active, not reactive*
- *Trust your instincts and rely on muscle memory*
- *PID threat and react to their CONDUCT, not STATUS*
- *Secure immediate area and extract principle*
- *Report and wait for clearance to egress*

De-Brief the Mission:

- *What did you see and hear?*
- *Who was present, who was not?*
- *Share lessons learned with your S2 and unit members*



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CJTF-101, CJ3 – Force Protection



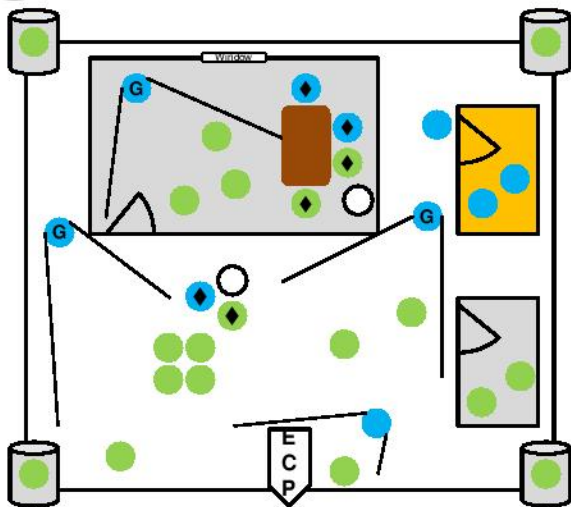
Guardian Angel Checklist

Guardian Angel Checklist	Yes	No
Have you been briefed on the current IT in your Area of Operations and specific Area of Responsibility?		
Have you been assigned solely to Guardian Angel duties?		
How many other Guardian Angels are there, and do you fully understand your responsibilities?		
Are you wearing the appropriate PPE for the event?		
Have you been briefed on: weapon posture and profile?		
Is/are your weapon(s) at state ROMEO?		
Do you have the correct equipment (e.g., night optics) for the type and length of mission you are undertaking?		
Do you know where the secure area to which the personnel that you are protecting will move?		
Has the secure area been briefed to the personnel you are protecting?		
Are you aware of combat identification measures in place and have you identified arcs of fire and other fire control measures to prevent fratricide?		
Are you aware of the location of camp guards and other Force Protection personnel—and are they aware of your presence and actions?		
Do you have appropriate communications between yourself and the Force Protection Commander? And to call for assistance as required?		
Do you know who will provide your Quick Reaction Force (QRF) and what their call-sign is?		
Do you know how to commence casualty evacuation?		
Will you and your fellow Guardian Angels check rooms or facilities prior to occupation by own troops?		
Do you fully understand the ROE and right to use lethal force to protect CF personnel?		
Do you know how your team plans to de-escalate a confrontation?		
Do you know Pashtu and Dari for: 'Stop', 'Place your weapon on the ground', and 'Stand back'?		
Do you know how to make Afghan weapons safe?		
Have you rehearsed your drills in the event of an attack?		
Be Decisive, Act Immediately, Neutralize the Threat		

Weapon state ROMEO: Magazine in weapon, round in chamber, weapon on safe



Positions of Dominance



- Obtain a position of dominance
- Provides clear fields-of-view
 - Covers ingress/egress points (doors, ECPs, etc)
 - Integrates interlocking fields-of-fire
 - Affords cover (preferable) or concealment
 - Integrated into layered defense

- G** Guardian Angel
- Force Protection
- ◆** Advisor
- ◆** ANSF Advisee
- ANSF
- Interpreter
- Building
- Secure rest area



Key Phrases

English	Dari	Pashtu
Hello	Salaam	As-salaamu 'alaykum
Good bye		
Yes	Baley	Ho
No	Ney	Na
Stop	Draysh	Drezh
Stop or I'll shoot!	Draysh aga nay faeer maykounum!	Drezh yaa za daz kawarm!
Hands up.	Destaa baalaa.	Laasuna porta.
Hands down.	Destaa paayeen.	Laasuna kshata.
Turn around.	Daor bukhou.	Shaa garzd.
Lie down.	Prout kou.	Prot.
Put your weapon down.	Salaaeeta pertou.	Khpala wasla kshezhdai.
Stay there.	Oonja beash.	Halta paata sai.
Move.	Arakat kou.	Dzai.
Where are you going?	Kujaa mayrayn?	Taase cheri dszi?
What do you want?	Chee maykhoyayn?	Taase ghwaarai?
Who are you?	Keestayr?	Taase tsok yaast?
Do you have ID?	Taxkira (kard-ay hoohat) daarayn?	Taase peshand paana larai?
Do you have weapons?	Salsa daarayn?	Taase wasla larai?
Can I see your papers?	Maytaanum asnaadaitouna bebeenum?	Za staase asnaad katalai sam?
We must search you.	Maa beayad shumaara talashee konaym.	Muzh taase talaashi kawu.



Threat Activity Indicators

Absence of Normal / Presence of Abnormal

- New people never seen before
- Reclusive or socially withdrawn
- Personal crisis or grievance
- Not taking responsibility for actions / deflecting blame
- Excessive complaints of other religions or culture
- Unexpected poor meeting attendance
- Sudden departure during a meeting
- Joining a patrol without cause
- Attempting to enter an area where they do not belong

Intelligence Collection Activity

- Attempting to gain entry to restricted areas or living quarters
- Making sketches, taking pictures or videos, or acquiring maps
- Asking questions about TTPs, force protection, movement, or activities
- Attempting to overhear meetings
- Scanning or visually following sentries
- Doing the "head snap" – looking back after just passing security
- Attempting secret conversations or signs with co-conspirators
- Possession of unauthorized communication equipment

Hostile Activity

- Expression of extremist beliefs and intense ideological rhetoric
- Verbal expression of hatred of ISAF or other nations
- Visual or verbal threats
- Starting or escalating arguments
- Obstructing entrance or exit routes
- Staging of weapons, ammo, or PPE without explanation or need



Threat Behavior Indicators

Nervousness

- Rubbing back of the neck repeatedly
- Leg shaking or foot tapping
- Grooming hair, beard or face repeatedly
- Adjusting clothing repeatedly
- Rubbing or wringing hands
- Nervous glancing (staring at security team members)
- Fidgeting (taking trigger finger on/off trigger)
- Repeated time-checking (asking for time over and over)
- Inappropriate smiling

Agitation

- Heavy breathing or panting
- Disorientation
- Rigid posture
- Jerky movements
- Inability to concentrate
- Heavy sweating
- Deep, cold, penetrating stare (fixed focus on CF member)
- Drug / alcohol misuse
- Unnaturally avoiding eye contact
- Hesitant when dealing with ISAF security
- Rubbing front of forehead repeatedly
- Uses weapon as demonstration tool

Imminent Hostile Act

- Heavy breathing or panting
 - Disorientation
 - Rigid posture
 - Jerky movements
 - Inability to concentrate
 - Visually and vocally distressed
 - Visually and vocally frustrated
 - Self urination or defecation
 - Trigger finger remains on trigger
- } Taken to extreme