

Analyst investigates fire scene

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CAMP LIBERTY, Iraq – Maj. Robert Markiewicz, a St. Louis, Mo., native, and the executive officer of the 620th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion, 96th Sustainment Brigade, assists in the investigation of the 260th Combat Sustainment Support Battalion fire that damaged a good portion of their offices. In his civilian life, Markiewicz works for Schaefer Engineering, where he conducts failure analysis, which frequently involves investigations of fires suspected of being ignited due to electrical failures. His civilian expertise is typically called upon by insurance companies, attorneys, and manufacturers. However, under these circumstances Markiewicz was able to provide the Army investigation team a keen insight to the fire's origin. Markiewicz is a licensed professional electrical engineer in multiple states, and is a Certified Fire and Explosion Investigator. He is also a member the International Association of Arson Investigations, the National Association of Fire Investigators and the National Fire Protection Association.

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