Many details of Hersh’s report are unconfirmed, and some may not be accurate, but the existence of “Copper Green” has been reported by others. A 2010 memoir by U.S. Army intelligence officer Lieutenant Colonel Anthony Shaffer about his service in Afghanistan in 2003 refers to an “enhanced” interrogation program run by the CIA and JSOC task force and authorized by the Pentagon’s leadership, called “Copper Green.” A more recent book by Marc Ambinder and D.B. Grady states that “Copper Green” was another name for a classified operation called “MATCHBOX” that “included direct authorization to use certain interrogation techniques in the field.”