

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA  
GAINESVILLE DIVISION

THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,

Plaintiff,

vs.

JOHN KNOCK and  
ALBERT MADRID,

Defendants.

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1 THE COURT: Good morning.

2 MR. DARR: Good morning, Your Honor.

3 Randolph Darr for Mr. Madrid. I asked to appear  
4 outside of the presence of the jury. Yesterday, Your Honor,  
5 during Mr. Davies' examination of Agent Lilley, he asked two  
6 questions which in both instances were designed to elicit the  
7 verdict in the Grenhagen case.

8 At the time this occurred, it happened rather quickly  
9 and presented what I call a choice for defense counsel. So I  
10 objected at that moment and asked the Court to strike the  
11 answer in front of the jury.

12 I elected not to do so. However, in my opinion, the  
13 eliciting of that verdict is highly improper, highly  
14 prejudicial and not probative in the least.

15 As a remedy, at this point I would ask that the Court  
16 consider, one, issuing a warning to the government that they  
17 not try to elicit that verdict in any future witness, and two,  
18 that they refrain from referring to that verdict in the closing  
19 argument.

20 THE COURT: Government?

21 MR. DAVIES: Your Honor, first of all, the objection  
22 is waived if it was not made at the time. No motion was made  
23 at the time.

24 Secondly, the door was opened to that by their  
25 extensive cross-examination regarding the Grenhagen case, and

1 the Grenhagen trial and talking about a separate crime. It was  
2 proper. It was asked on redirect, only after their  
3 cross-examination.

4           Given their cross-examination, it was a proper  
5 question. And, again, no objection was made at the time.

6           MR. DARR: May I respond, Your Honor?

7           THE COURT: Surely.

8           MR. DARR: We asked Mr. Lilley about whether there  
9 was an agreement. We asked him extensively about that. We did  
10 not query him as to what the jury's opinion was, as to whether  
11 there was an agreement or not. We did not open the door.

12           Mr. Davies could have asked Mr. Lilley: In your  
13 opinion, was there an agreement? What words were said that  
14 indicated an agreement to you? But instead he decided to  
15 elicit to this jury the highly prejudicial statement, the other  
16 excited convicted him.

17           MR. KENNEDY: May I, Your Honor?

18           THE COURT: Uh-huh.

19           MR. KENNEDY: Thank you, sir. I join in Mr. Darr's  
20 application. It did not take the form of a motion to strike, I  
21 formerly move to strike that answer, again, which would thereby  
22 preclude the government from referring to it in their  
23 summation.

24           Part of the difficulty, Judge, as I understand your  
25 policy, you don't allow recross-examination. I respect that

1 ruling of the court quite obviously, so we are not able to go  
2 back after something like this is brought up on redirect and  
3 have any opportunity to clear it up any other way than by a  
4 motion to strike or by emphasizing it in front of the jury with  
5 our objection and making a highlight of it. Thank you, sir.

6 THE COURT: Government.

7 MR. DAVIES: Your Honor, you instructed the jury at  
8 the trial that objection are appropriate and objections made  
9 are not to assume an answer. I think it's incorrect for them  
10 to argue that they can't object to something. They can object.  
11 I've had to object to things they've done when they've gotten  
12 things out in front of the jury that I assume the jury is  
13 following your jury instructions, isn't going to consider the  
14 improper questions they've asked when you sustain my objection.

15 The question is: This was the extensively gone in to  
16 on cross-examination, in great detail. They talked about the  
17 Grenhagen trial. They requested the question was appropriate  
18 when it was asked, no objection was made after Agent Lilley  
19 testified. No objection was made then. No motion to strike  
20 was made, I think to come in the next morning trying to do this  
21 I think it is untimely and I think it's without merit.

22 THE COURT: Any further?

23 MR. DARR: Submit.

24 MR. KENNEDY: Submit.

25 THE COURT: Motion is denied. I think it's not

1 timely.

2 One matter. Marshal, come up here a minute. Let me  
3 see the defense lawyers. I don't need the government.

4 (At the bench.)

5 THE COURT: I got word -- I don't know from you or  
6 from someone in the marshals service yesterday, about  
7 Mr. Duboc. And evidently they've learned that he is on the  
8 witness list. He is in custody at the Bureau of Prisons. It  
9 takes two weeks to get him here. And you have to start the  
10 paperwork early to get him here. And whether there is any cost  
11 to you all, I don't know. But, I'm just telling you now.

12 You know, it is just something that we couldn't say:  
13 We called him and he is two weeks down the road.

14 MR. KENNEDY: It is -- I filed it in August when I  
15 thought that we were going to go, a writ ad testificatum to  
16 have him brought in. It's under seal. Frankly, I don't think  
17 it was ever brought to the Court's attention, because I did  
18 not -- possibly the clerk can pull it up. I redrafted it. And  
19 I can bring it into Your Honor to look at it.

20 THE COURT: I wanted to bring it up.

21 MR. KENNEDY: It is not your fault, because it was  
22 sealed.

23 DEPUTY MARSHAL: Once you get it all drawn, up talk  
24 to Ronnie in our office. She'll order everybody up.

25 MR. KENNEDY: Thank you, Judge.



1 THE COURT: Sure. All right. Are we ready to  
2 proceed?

3 Jury in, please.

4 (Jury in.)

5 THE COURT: Welcome back. And we need Ms. Roberts.

6 MR. HANKINSON: Right. We would recall Julie  
7 Roberts.

8 (Witness previously sworn.)

9 THE COURT: If you would just have a seat, ma'am.  
10 You are still under oath.

11 You can proceed.

12 MR. HANKINSON: Thank you.

13 Q. Ms. Roberts, remind us of your name, please, ma'am.

14 A. My name is Julie Roberts.

15 Q. You may want to push that microphone around a little bit.

16 Ms. Roberts, I believe when we quit yesterday we were  
17 talking about a Luxembourg bank account in the name of Patrick  
18 Conlan. Do you remember that?

19 A. Yes, I do.

20 Q. And I believe you had indicated that about three million  
21 dollars had been placed into the Patrick Conlan account; is  
22 that correct?

23 A. Yes, it is. There was three million dollars transferred  
24 from one of Claude Duboc's accounts to the Patrick Conlan  
25 Foundation.

1 Q. Would you tell us how -- what involvement you had in  
2 getting that 3 million into the account, please?

3 A. Yes. I was presently living in Europe; in Spain. And I  
4 had to fly from Spain into Washington, DC. From Washington, DC  
5 I flew into I believe Los Angeles. And from that point I had  
6 to rent a vehicle and go pick up the three million dollars from  
7 Gary Vance's son.

8 Q. And you had earlier talked about money being buried that  
9 you had received from Mr. Knock; is that correct?

10 A. Yes. The money was buried by Gary Vance, Tom Vance, and  
11 Daniel Vance. It was buried on the Placerville property.

12 Q. All right. And this three million dollars that went into  
13 the Patrick Conlan account, is that the same money as you  
14 understand it?

15 A. Yes, it was.

16 Q. So this is the money that you had received from John  
17 Knock reference the RUBY R load?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Now, when you had given the money to Gary Vance, how much  
20 money had you given him, as you recall?

21 A. I'm not following.

22 Q. When the money was buried, how much money had you --  
23 didn't you deliver the money to Gary Vance from John Knock for  
24 it to be buried?

25 A. No, sir. Gary and I both received it from Knock.

1 Q. Okay. I misunderstood that. How much money was there,  
2 as you recall it, when John Knock gave the money to you and  
3 Mr. Vance?

4 A. Four million.

5 Q. And now it's 3 million that you are going back and  
6 retrieving. Do you have some explanation where the other  
7 million went?

8 A. The other million, Tom and Daniel Vance had spent within  
9 the year's time on buying property and businesses.

10 Q. And what did you do with that 3 million dollars that you  
11 picked up?

12 A. After I picked it up, I drove from Placerville to  
13 Auburn -- and/or it's located in Auburn, California or Grass  
14 Valley, California. That is still located in Northern  
15 California. And I took it to Dallas and Carol Nelson's  
16 property which I counted the money on two to three different  
17 occasions and stacked the money in hundred thousand dollar --  
18 excuse me -- yeah, hundred thousand dollar bundles.

19 Q. Did you later deliver that money to someone else?

20 A. Yes. From that point, Gary -- during that period, Dallas  
21 Nelson helped himself to a hundred thousand dollars of the  
22 three million that I had counted. He had stolen the money.

23 Q. Were you aware of that at the time?

24 A. Yes. I was very aware of that. Because I went to the  
25 grocery store for about 30 minutes. And I counted the 3

1 million again, and a hundred thousand dollars was missing. So  
2 I was accountable for the hundred thousand dollars at a later  
3 date.

4 Q. So at this point, if I understand, you have 2.9 million  
5 dollars?

6 A. Yes. From that point I delivered the money to Richard  
7 Buxton in Santa Barbara, California. I checked in under one of  
8 my false identities, Kathleen Evans, and checked into the Red  
9 Lion Inn in Santa Barbara where Buxton picked up the money.

10 Q. I believe yesterday you indicated you knew Richard Buxton  
11 by some other name. Will you remind us of that name?

12 A. Wizard.

13 Q. All right. So why were you giving this money to  
14 Mr. Buxton?

15 A. I was following Claude Duboc's instructions on -- he had  
16 said to deliver the money to Richard Buxton. And they would  
17 take care of it and make sure that it got over to Luxembourg  
18 into the Patrick Conlan Foundation.

19 Q. At a later date, were you able to confirm that the money  
20 had been transferred to the Patrick Conlan account?

21 A. Yes. I received documentation directly from Claude Duboc  
22 stating that the money had actually been deposited into Credit  
23 Lyonnaise in Luxembourg under the Patrick Conlan Foundation.

24 Q. And now you mentioned that a hundred thousand dollars had  
25 gone missing, you believe was taken by Dallas Nelson. Were you

1 asked to reimburse that money?

2 A. Yes, I was. When I opened up my own account in  
3 Luxembourg it was under the name of one of my false identities  
4 using an Irish passport.

5 Q. And who asked you to reimburse that money?

6 A. Claude Duboc.

7 Q. And how did you do that, or did you do that I guess  
8 first?

9 A. What I did is I went into the bank and I opened up a bank  
10 account with the bank I mentioned yesterday. And I had  
11 instructed them to send a hundred thousand of the five hundred  
12 thousand which would be deposited into my account two days  
13 later. I instructed them to transfer the one hundred thousand  
14 to a New York account for Claude Duboc. I don't know -- I  
15 don't remember where in New York it was sent. I don't  
16 remember.

17 Q. Okay. Who asked you to do that?

18 A. Claude Duboc.

19 Q. Okay. Now, if I recall yesterday, your testimony was,  
20 though, that five hundred thousand dollars that went into that  
21 account was coming from Claude Duboc?

22 A. Yes, it was.

23 Q. And now you are turning around and sending a hundred  
24 thousand essentially back to him; is that what you are saying?

25 A. Yes, I am.

1 Q. All right. Can you -- it doesn't necessarily make a lot  
2 of sense. Can you explain why you are doing it that way or why  
3 it's being done that way?

4 A. Because I was accountable for the hundred thousand  
5 dollars that was missing. And I now believe that it was  
6 probably an easy way for me to send Claude -- or to one of his  
7 accounts -- a hundred thousand dollars.

8 Q. And this was money that ended up in the United States?

9 A. Yes, it was.

10 Q. It's sometimes a problem in the drug business to have  
11 money in the United States that you can spend?

12 A. Definitely it is.

13 Q. As you -- it's your belief at this point in time that  
14 Duboc was having you assist him in getting money into the  
15 States that he could spend. Is that your understanding?

16 A. Yes. I knew at that point in time that I opened up that  
17 account in Luxembourg, my whole future was going to go into a  
18 spiral downhill, because that means I was definitely connected  
19 to Claude Duboc. I realized it at that point in time.

20 Q. And you mentioned setting up the account in Luxembourg.  
21 I believe you indicated yesterday that was roughly June of '88;  
22 is that right?

23 A. Approximately June of 1988, yes.

24 Q. Now, where did you go to reside at that point?

25 A. I was residing in Spain, in Marbella.

1 Q. Where is Marbella?

2 A. Marbella is on the southern coastline of Spain.

3 Q. And at what point did you set up residence there?

4 A. Prior to going to Luxembourg. So it was probably at the  
5 beginning of June in 1988.

6 Q. And was anybody there with you at that point in time?

7 A. Yes, my daughter.

8 Q. And anyone else?

9 A. No.

10 Q. Now, did you continue to have contact with Claude Duboc  
11 after setting up residence in Spain in June of 1988?

12 A. Yes. He'd probably call me anywhere from two to three  
13 times a month.

14 Q. Were you actively involved in any type of drug  
15 trafficking or drug activity for a period of time there while  
16 you were living in Spain?

17 A. For about two years, no.

18 Q. But you would get calls or talk to Mr. Duboc  
19 periodically?

20 A. Yes, and/or I would fly over to Paris to meet up with him  
21 about every two, two and a half, three months.

22 Q. Now, was -- were you having contact with John Knock  
23 during this period of time?

24 A. No, I was not.

25 Q. And the spring of 1991, did Mr. Duboc contact you about

1 getting back involved in assisting him in some drug  
2 trafficking?

3 A. No.

4 Q. When did he next contact you about getting involved in  
5 some -- assisting him in some drug trafficking?

6 A. Mr. Hankinson, I believe you are probably talking about  
7 Claude Duboc.

8 Q. Right. Isn't that what I said?

9 A. I don't know.

10 Q. If I did not say Duboc, that is what I meant. Did Claude  
11 Duboc start to call you and enlist your assistance in the  
12 spring of '91 in some further drug activity?

13 A. Yes, he did.

14 Q. Okay, tell us about that.

15 A. In 1991, I was constantly getting calls from Claude. And  
16 he was pressuring me in the fact that he said that he had  
17 another boatload on the water. And I was very -- I did not  
18 want to get involved.

19 But he kept calling me, calling me, and I felt very  
20 obligated to this man because he had done some very nice things  
21 for myself. So after being persistent with his calls and  
22 calling me for about two to three weeks, I said okay.

23 I would check into it. At that point in time, I had  
24 been living in Spain for a couple of years and had known some  
25 other Americans that were on the run like myself from the



1 United States, and I met up with Julian Rodriguez.

2 Q. Julian Rodriguez?

3 A. Yes. And I had confronted Julian about putting a project  
4 together. He was also in the business.

5 Q. The drug business?

6 A. The drug business, yes. And from that point on, he  
7 introduced me to a man known as Blue. And this man lived in  
8 Amsterdam. From that point on, we had met in Marbella, Spain;  
9 Julian Rodriguez, myself and Blue from Amsterdam. And we  
10 talked a little bit about putting a hashish load into Canada if  
11 they had the possibilities.

12 And it seemed that Blue and I got along very well.  
13 He felt good about myself and putting this project together.  
14 He thought about it for two days. And we had another meeting,  
15 Julian, myself and Blue from Amsterdam. And he said he'd see  
16 what he could do. He had to go back into Amsterdam and check  
17 with a few different companies. In Amsterdam, Blue knows all  
18 of the major companies that move hashish and/or marijuana into  
19 various countries.

20 Q. Let me stop you there. Let's go back and clarify just a  
21 couple of things you said. You said in your initial discussion  
22 with Mr. Duboc, he indicated that there was another boatload on  
23 the water is what I wrote down.

24 A. Yes. And through the next couple of years, his boatloads  
25 were always on the water.

1 Q. What did that mean, that another boat load on the water?

2 A. That means that there is a load of hashish in the mother  
3 ship most likely moving on the water in the ocean waiting for  
4 someone to come and take that merchandise into another country.

5 Q. Hashish or marijuana?

6 A. Hashish or marijuana.

7 Q. And was that, from your discussions with Mr. Duboc, was  
8 that a fairly constant state that he was saying that there was  
9 a boat on the water?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And you said he had done -- and I think you were  
12 referring to Claude Duboc -- some nice things for you through  
13 the years.

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. Had done some nice things for you. What did you mean by  
16 that?

17 A. He paid for the school tuition to put my daughter in a  
18 private boarding school in Switzerland for four years.  
19 Whenever I needed money in one of my various accounts, he'd  
20 transfer money into my accounts. If I wanted to buy a home in  
21 Spain, he'd transfer money to my account.

22 Q. All right. So I think basically you had indicated  
23 between June of '88 and March of '91, you weren't back actively  
24 involved in anything in the drug business. During that period  
25 of time were you receiving money from Mr. Duboc?

1 A. Yes, I was.

2 Q. Now, was there a debt owed, as you viewed it, as he was  
3 sending you this money?

4 A. Not really. He had put the 500,000 in my account in  
5 Luxembourg, but this -- I had just assumed -- was extra funding  
6 for whatever reason that I needed it for my own personal needs.

7 Q. Now, you indicated that -- talking with some fellow named  
8 Blue. Did you know Blue prior to this introduction by Julian  
9 Rodriguez?

10 A. No, I did not.

11 Q. Did you know Julian Rodriguez before this?

12 A. Prior to the meeting, yes, I knew him for two years. His  
13 children and my children and myself all just used to ride at  
14 the stable. We used to ride horses.

15 MR. HANKINSON: If I might approach the witness, Your  
16 Honor?

17 THE COURT: Surely.

18 MR. HANKINSON: If I may approach, Your Honor.

19 THE COURT: Uh-huh.

20 Q. Ms. Roberts, I've placed before you what has been marked  
21 for identification as Government Exhibit 213A through D. Would  
22 you just look through those and see if you're familiar with the  
23 people in those photographs?

24 A. Yes, I am.

25 Q. And you referred to a fellow named Blue just recently.

1 Is Blue pictured in one of those photographs?

2 A. Yes. Blue is the South African mercenary for the South  
3 African government.

4 Q. Okay?

5 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer into evidence  
6 Government Exhibits 213A through D.

7 A. And I also --

8 THE COURT: Without objection.

9 (Government Exhibits 213A through 213D admitted.)

10 MR. HANKINSON: If I might publish these.

11 MR. KENNEDY: Excuse me, Your Honor. I think she was  
12 trying to say something.

13 MR. HANKINSON: I didn't want her to talk with the  
14 Court having not ruled.

15 THE COURT: Ask her another question.

16 A. No, it was just that I recognized other pictures, myself  
17 and Julian's kids -- children in Spain.

18 Q. Okay.

19 Why don't you refer to them by the letter on the  
20 back. Let's talk first about the one that is just one  
21 individual pictured there.

22 MR. HANKINSON: If I could publish that to the jury,  
23 Your Honor.

24 Q. And it's shown up here on the screen. And that is --  
25 tell us in the photo in front of you, what number that is?

1 A. 213A, as in apple.

2 Q. And who is this pictured in 213A?

3 A. This is Blue, known in Amsterdam as Blue or as Mad Dog.

4 Q. That is the Blue that you are referring to that you met  
5 through Julian Rodriguez?

6 A. Yes, it is.

7 Q. There is also a picture of a group of people there.  
8 Would you go to that. Tell us what number that is?

9 A. 213B as in Boy.

10 Q. And I think up on the screen is a copy of that picture is  
11 it not? And who is pictured in this?

12 A. Yes. First of all I am standing in a crowd at the horse  
13 riding stables.

14 Q. Where is this picture taken?

15 A. This is in Marbella, Spain.

16 Q. And tell us what color you are wearing in this photo  
17 here?

18 A. I believe I'm wearing kind of a turquoise blue top with  
19 jeans.

20 Q. See where the pointer is. Is this you right here?

21 A. Yes, it is.

22 Q. Okay. And do you recognize any of the other people in  
23 the photograph?

24 A. No, I don't.

25 Q. Do you know where this is taken?

1 A. Yes, I do.

2 Q. Where is this taken?

3 A. This is at the two German sisters -- their riding  
4 stables.

5 Q. This is near Marbella, Spain?

6 A. Yes, it is.

7 Q. And the other pictures, C and D, what do they -- who are  
8 they pictures of?

9 A. 213D as in David, those are Julian and Theresa  
10 Rodriguez's children and myself.

11 Q. Okay.

12 A. This is the same 213C, as in Charlie, the children and  
13 myself.

14 Q. Would you set them aside.

15 All right. I believe you indicated that you and Blue  
16 and Julian Rodriguez had met on a couple of occasions. Is that  
17 correct?

18 A. Yes, we did.

19 Q. And where did you meet?

20 A. In Marbella, Spain.

21 Q. And initially, where was the discussion about where the  
22 load was supposed to go?

23 A. The load was supposed to go into Canada.

24 Q. Okay. Was -- was Blue in agreement with sending the load  
25 to Canada?

1 A. At that present time, yes, he was.

2 Q. Okay. At some later point did that change?

3 A. Yes, it did.

4 Q. When was that?

5 A. After this meeting in Marbella, Spain, I and Claude  
6 organized a meeting in Belgium. At the Hilton Intercontinental  
7 Hotel. Blue, myself, Claude Duboc met up in this hotel in  
8 Belgium and we had a further discussion with regards to setting  
9 up a 25 to 30-ton hashish load to go into Canada.

10 Q. And?

11 A. And then from that point, at a later date, Blue wanted to  
12 bring that load into Australia.

13 Q. Did he give some explanation why he wanted to take it to  
14 Australia not Canada?

15 A. He had some Australian sea captains available and handy  
16 and ready for the project. They would be selling the product  
17 within a matter of a few months.

18 Q. Did you have further discussions with Blue about  
19 organizing this project?

20 A. Yes, I did.

21 Q. Where did that take place?

22 A. I -- on two -- well, let me see. On one occasion -- I'm  
23 getting the loads mixed up.

24 On one occasion I had met Blue, Roger Darmon, which  
25 is Claude's -- one of his partners also, myself and two sea

1 captains, we all flew into Hong-Kong and had a meeting there.  
2 And that was in 1991. Somewhere around April or May.

3 Q. All right. And where did that meeting take place in  
4 April or May of '91?

5 A. This meeting in Hong-Kong took place at the Holiday Inn.

6 Q. Okay. And who was present at this meeting?

7 A. Roger Darmon. He is French. Myself, Blue from  
8 Amsterdam, and two Australian sea captains.

9 Q. And who did you understand Roger Darmon was there  
10 representing?

11 A. Claude Duboc.

12 Q. Had you met him prior to this time?

13 A. No.

14 Q. What occurred at that meeting?

15 A. Basically, it was a general discussion with regards to  
16 putting the project together. What would be needed and what  
17 the quality of the product would be, and the size of the load  
18 that would be coming from the mother ship on to their vessel.

19 Q. And how big a load were we talking about?

20 A. 25 or 30 tons of hashish.

21 Q. Now, how long did that meeting continue?

22 A. That meeting was probably about two hours. The next day,  
23 Roger Darmon, Blue, and the two sea captains had a private  
24 meeting without me. I didn't need to be there to hear where  
25 they were going to meet, the codes that they would need to know



1 in order to hook up with the mother load -- excuse me the  
2 mother boat.

3 Q. Now, at this point, we don't hear any mention of Julian  
4 Rodriguez being involved in any of those discussions?

5 A. Yes, that's correct. Blue had made the decision to work  
6 with me exclusively. And he kept Julian out of it for security  
7 purposes. And probably for his own greed, greedy reasons.

8 Q. And what was your role in this proposed load to  
9 Australia?

10 A. I was the one that was the in-between between Claude  
11 Duboc and Blue, the one that would pass on the information to  
12 each party.

13 Q. Okay. And what was Blue's role, as you understood it?

14 A. Blue's role was the one that was going to organize his  
15 end of the project, meaning that he'd coordinate everything  
16 with his sea captains as far as putting all of the coordinates  
17 together for sea captains, making sure that they had their  
18 funding in order to go out there and meet the mother ship and  
19 also collect money from investors inside Australia.

20 Q. As you understand it, did a large load of hashish go to  
21 Australia?

22 A. Yes, it did.

23 Q. Do you know approximately when that occurred?

24 A. The -- probably -- let me see here. Excuse me. In 1991,  
25 July or August, the shipment of between 25 and 30 tons of

1 hashish entered into Australia.

2 Q. Now, did you get involved in collecting money in  
3 reference to this load?

4 A. Yes, I did.

5 Q. And tell us about that.

6 A. Once it arrived in Australia, Blue had several different  
7 investors which invested in this project because he was led to  
8 believe that the product was top quality. And so therefore he  
9 got all of those investors and collected over 24 million  
10 dollars Australian. And from that point on, after the ride, it  
11 arrived in approximately October to December. I had made two  
12 to three trips to Singapore to collect those funds.

13 Q. Okay. How did you collect the funds?

14 A. I would meet the Australian group of people coming over  
15 on Qantas Airlines. And I would pick them up at the airport.  
16 I was dressed looking like a flight attendant so I could assist  
17 this group of people to a taxi once they cleared Customs with  
18 their luggage, which was -- every piece of luggage was stuffed  
19 with money.

20 Q. Okay. And what would you do after you got them into the  
21 taxi cab?

22 A. I would have the taxi cab driver deliver them to the  
23 Westin -- excuse me -- let me just look at my notes. Yes. It  
24 was the Westin Hotel in Singapore where I had the four people  
25 check into the hotel.

1           And I would give them a couple of hours to relax.  
2   And from that point, I would -- they did not know that I was  
3   registered in the hotel. I would take my cart and I would go  
4   to the daughter's -- it was the daughter's -- her parents and a  
5   young woman that carried the money over from Australia.

6           And I would go into the daughter's room and she'd  
7   collect all of the suitcases and put them in her room. So I  
8   had to make several different trips into her room. And I  
9   delivered luggage back into my room.

10           On each occasion I would wait for an hour or so, two,  
11   so that she would not know that I was not staying in the same  
12   hotel.

13           From that point the next day, I would have this  
14   Indian Pakistani type man come into my hotel room. I would  
15   give him a key. And I would go exercise. And he'd take all of  
16   the money out within a couple of hours.

17   Q.     Now, as you understand it, who was he representing?

18   A.     Claude Duboc.

19   Q.     And how much money did you indicate that you had  
20   collected in this way?

21   A.     On the three -- on the two to three different trips to  
22   Singapore, I collected approximately 24 million dollars,  
23   Australian currency.

24   Q.     Do you know precisely how that translates to American  
25   money?

1 A. No, I don't.

2 Q. Now, you indicated that this money was coming from  
3 investors. What did you mean by that?

4 A. Blue had investors that would give him up-front money for  
5 investing in this load.

6 Q. Okay. But, by this time, the -- the load of hashish had  
7 actually reached Australia. Is that my understanding?

8 A. Yes, it did.

9 Q. Okay. But this wasn't money from the sale of the drugs?

10 A. It was not money from the sale. Those were true  
11 investors.

12 Q. Did you ever have occasion to see Al Madrid while you  
13 were in Hong-Kong?

14 A. On one occasion when I was collecting this money that was  
15 coming from Australia, it was around December of 1991, very  
16 close to Christmas. Claude had asked Al to help me collect  
17 some funds from the same man, Blue from Amsterdam.

18 Q. And did he do that?

19 A. Yes, he did. He assisted me. Blue came to -- or I can't  
20 remember. It was the Marriott Hotel in Hong-Kong or on the  
21 other side. I don't remember.

22 Q. Somewhere in Hong-Kong?

23 A. Somewhere in Hong-Kong. And Blue brought up a couple of  
24 suitcases or met me, and I don't know the number.

25 Blue brought up some suitcases, and Al had taken the

1 suitcases to another destination somewhere in Hong-Kong. I  
2 don't know what happened to the money from that point.

3 Q. Okay. So you mentioned some suitcases. What did the  
4 suitcases have in it as you understand it?

5 A. Probably a couple of million dollars Australian.

6 Q. Did you actually count that money?

7 A. I don't actually count the money. But I open every  
8 suitcase and I look at the currency. And how that works and  
9 how I have fairly accurately -- my mind is going blank. I'm  
10 sorry.

11 How I have accurate figures is that when this money  
12 is handed to me, Blue from Amsterdam would give me one figure.  
13 And then the very next day, Claude would call me up and give me  
14 an accounting of exactly what was counted out from his company.

15 And those suitcases out of all of the 24 million  
16 dollars that we selected within this three-month period, was  
17 only short maybe 3 to 7 thousand dollars.

18 Q. So out of 24 million dollars, you were within how much?

19 A. Three to seven thousand dollars short.

20 Q. And did you consider that to be pretty good?

21 A. I considered that to be excellent.

22 Q. And the way you would arrive at the figure is Blue is  
23 telling you how much he understands has been delivered, and  
24 Claude Duboc is saying how much he understands he received?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Now, there was some part of the transaction with  
2 Mr. Madrid in Hong-Kong that you said you didn't recall. What  
3 was it that you were having a problem recalling about that  
4 transaction?

5 A. I was having a problem with -- because what I do is  
6 create visualizations in my mind. And I remember Blue acting  
7 up and being all crazy out in front of the lobby of this hotel.

8 So I cannot remember if I registered in that Marriott  
9 Hotel, because I always stayed at the hotel, or if we came to  
10 his room at the Marriott. I believe that we came to his room  
11 and collected the money. But I just cannot get a clear visual  
12 on it.

13 Q. Is there any doubt in your mind Al Madrid was there  
14 helping you collect money?

15 A. He was there. There is no doubt.

16 Q. Was there any doubt in your mind that he eventually took  
17 charge of this money that has been delivered by Blue?

18 A. Yes, he did.

19 Q. Where it went from there, you are not sure?

20 A. I don't know, and I didn't care.

21 Q. Who did you understand that he was there representing?

22 A. Claude Duboc.

23 Q. And why did you think that Madrid was there at this  
24 occasion representing Duboc?

25 A. Well, I assumed that he worked for the company, because

1 this was the second time that I had seen Mr. Madrid.

2 Q. And the first time was when?

3 A. Next -- on his way to him and John -- excuse me. Him and  
4 John Knock on their way to the dock in Pittsburgh, California,  
5 when the 25 tons of hash came into California.

6 Q. Okay. I think you had indicated that at some point in  
7 time that you couldn't remember, you had met Madrid before the  
8 RUBY R venture. You had seen him prior to that?

9 A. I think that I had met John -- I don't have a clear bead  
10 on this, but I believe that John Knock and Al Madrid may have  
11 come to the Placerville property on one occasion. That may  
12 have been the first time that I was introduced to Al.

13 Q. So this meeting in Hong-Kong is the third time that  
14 you've told us about as far as you recall seeing Al Madrid. Do  
15 I understand that correctly?

16 A. Yes, it is.

17 Q. Okay. Were there any other intervening meetings or times  
18 where you saw Al Madrid?

19 A. No.

20 Q. All right. Did a problem develop with Blue?

21 A. Yes, it did.

22 Q. And what was the nature of the problem that developed  
23 with Blue?

24 A. Let me take a drink of water first.

25 The nature of the problem was Mr. Roger Darmon had

1 promised Mr. Blue of Amsterdam that this product was Grade A  
2 standard.

3 Q. Was what?

4 A. Was Grade A standard, which was a very high quality in  
5 the hashish. This hashish, from what I understand, was  
6 distributed through five different states in Australia. It was  
7 buried for several months so that the police could not find it  
8 or they would not come on to this.

9 So a few months had went by, and then the product was  
10 starting to surface and be merchandised throughout the various  
11 states in Australia. As it was being merchandised through the  
12 various states of Australia, they were coming up with a very  
13 major problem that the product was of very, very poor quality  
14 and people were getting sick and throwing up.

15 So therefore, after Blue had worked so hard to get  
16 these investors to invest in the 24 million dollars and get it  
17 over to our company, excuse me, meaning Claude Duboc's company,  
18 he was upset. He was irate. And he became a very ugly person.

19 And from that point on, I had to deal with this  
20 monster. It was not a very pleasant thing to have to go  
21 through. This guy comes -- what am I trying to say. He has  
22 the mentality of a very hard core personality. So I had  
23 confronted Claude, because I was the go-between between Blue of  
24 Amsterdam and Claude. There was no contact numbers given out  
25 between those various parties. So I had confronted Claude and



1 I had told him that this guy wants his money back.

2 And Claude suggested and was not willing to give up  
3 any amount of money out of the 24 million dollars Australian  
4 that was collected from Blue's investors. He was not willing  
5 to give up any of that money.

6 Q. How much did Blue want him to give back? Did he give a  
7 figure?

8 A. At that point in time I believe it could have been 14  
9 million for starters.

10 Q. And Claude Duboc was saying he wasn't giving anything  
11 back?

12 A. He wasn't giving anything back. His suggestion to me was  
13 to go confront Blue of Amsterdam and tell him that he can make  
14 up his money by receiving another load.

15 Q. Okay. Did you attempt to convince Blue of that?

16 A. Yes, I did. I flew into Amsterdam. It took me exactly  
17 three days to convince this monster to receive another load.  
18 And it was a very, very upsetting and tough project to  
19 accomplish.

20 Q. But you convinced him to do that?

21 A. Yes, I did.

22 Q. And where was this load supposed to go?

23 A. I have to read my notes for a minute because there is too  
24 many projects that I'm discussing here. I have to regroup for  
25 a minute.

1                   Yeah. This load was supposed to go back into  
2 Australia.

3 Q.       And did it actually go to Australia?

4 A.       This other load -- this --

5 Q.       This would be the second load to Australia, right?

6 A.       This would be the second load into Australia. This load  
7 did not make it into Australia. Blue had gave us a green light  
8 that the load would be accepted, and it would be going to  
9 Australia.

10               Midway, while the mother ship was out there in the  
11 ocean somewhere, Blue had called me and told me that he had to  
12 call off this project going into Australia, and that he'd find  
13 another company that would accept the load into another  
14 country.

15 Q.       And did he find another country that he wanted it sent  
16 to?

17 A.       Yes, he did.

18 Q.       And where did he indicate he wanted it sent?

19 A.       He wanted it sent to Amsterdam.

20 Q.       And did you communicate that to Mr. Duboc?

21 A.       Yes, I did.

22 Q.       And what -- was the load sent to Amsterdam?

23 A.       Yes, it was.

24 Q.       Did you have any further meetings to discuss the load  
25 going into Amsterdam?

1 A. Yes, I did.

2 Q. Who did you meet with?

3 A. Again, here we go again. All of this pressure. It's on  
4 the water. It's on the water. It is always on the water. I  
5 had met with Blue of Amsterdam and now we are going to meet  
6 with two Germans, and also Roger Darmon in Spain.

7 We had a meeting in Spain. And those two Germans had  
8 a big freighter that also moved around the world. And those  
9 people were willing to accept this load. And what we derived  
10 from this project was this freighter would accept our load, and  
11 also if it was coming from Pakistan with a whole 'nother load  
12 from a whole 'nother company. So, in fact, when this vessel --  
13 German vessel met up with Claude's mother ship, it not only was  
14 carrying a load of hashish, but it also intercepted Claude  
15 Duboc's load, which was approximately 15 to 20 tons more of  
16 hash.

17 Q. And where was this load going?

18 A. It was going into Amsterdam.

19 Q. Okay. Did you get any confirmation from Blue that it  
20 actually arrived in Amsterdam?

21 A. Yes, I did.

22 Q. And how did that come about?

23 A. When it arrived in Amsterdam, I was in Amsterdam for  
24 three days. And I was registered under Kathleen Fergerty at  
25 the Marriott Hotel in Amsterdam. And I was also traveling with

1 a man under the name of John Faye, Patrick Faye.

2 After the first day that it arrived in the free zone,  
3 which we call the free zone, meaning that it was successful, it  
4 had arrived in the port, I had met with Blue on one of the  
5 streets in Amsterdam.

6 We were walking down the alleyways. And he had told  
7 me that it was in the free zone and that he said he quoted to  
8 me that this is like having money in the bank because Amsterdam  
9 was dry.

10 Okay. So then after that, I didn't have much contact  
11 with him. I was waiting to have contact with him. And there  
12 was a Dutch fellow that had come over to talk to John Faye and  
13 myself.

14 And he had told us that the whole load had gotten  
15 busted. December 13th of 1992 is when I was in Amsterdam.  
16 December 13th of '92 is when the Dutch authorities seized 30  
17 tons of hashish and arrested 13 people in that town.

18 Q. And you saw that in the newspaper?

19 A. I saw that in the newspaper. And I left Amsterdam and  
20 drove back into Spain.

21 Q. After seeing this in the newspaper, did you assume that  
22 that was the load that you had helped deliver to Amsterdam  
23 there?

24 A. I knew it was the load.

25 Q. Did you have any discussion with Blue about that?

1 A. Yes. Yes, I did.

2 Q. Okay. Tell us about that.

3 A. Once I got in Spain, of course, Blue had all of my  
4 contact numbers. And Blue was very upset of course. And he  
5 started blaming myself and everybody else, that it was all of  
6 their fault that this project got busted.

7 Well, my feeling at the point in time was there was  
8 no security leaks from my side, meaning that the mother ship  
9 had bumped with his vessel, the German vessel.

10 So from that point on, it was a clearance on our  
11 side. And when it arrived in Amsterdam is when it originally  
12 got busted. So that means that there was a security leak on  
13 his end. And he was trying to blame me.

14 And of course I wasn't going to go for that. And  
15 I -- of course I had called Claude. And this man now wanted  
16 millions of dollars again. Here we go back with the monster.

17 He was -- I actually got him to calm down and not  
18 blame me any more for the seizure. But, he wanted money  
19 delivered to him up on the hill. Up on the hill meaning in  
20 Spain. He had some very good friends that lived in Marbella,  
21 Spain, they were Americans, the Bakers. And he wanted millions  
22 of dollars delivered up there.

23 Well, again, here we go with Mr. Duboc. He was not  
24 willing to give back millions of dollars. So, again, here is  
25 myself, pressured by this man and his girlfriend calling me

1 every day, talking all of this nonsense over the phone.

2           Threatening me and telling me that, you know, they  
3 got to have their millions of dollars back. Of course I  
4 wouldn't talk to this girl because I didn't know what the hell  
5 she was talking about.

6 Q.     So you felt like you were kind of caught in the middle  
7 there?

8 A.     Oh, yes, I was.

9 Q.     Did Duboc eventually agree to give some money back to  
10 Blue?

11 A.     Yes, he did. What he agreed to, after Blue of course  
12 lost all of this major product from the seizure, is he agreed  
13 to give this man I believe every -- every month over -- every  
14 month he would receive \$300,000 U.S.D.

15           And the first three hundred thousand was arranged  
16 where Roger Darmon which worked with Claude would travel into  
17 Thailand, and give 300,000 USD currency to Blue's Thai wife.  
18 He had a Thai wife and two sons that lived in Thailand. So the  
19 first \$300,000 was disbursed to her. On two other occasions  
20 month after month, three hundred thousand USD was delivered to  
21 Singapore where a man would meet Roger Darmon that worked for  
22 Claude to pick up the three hundred thousand dollars on two  
23 different occasions. So that comes out to \$900,000 that he  
24 collected off of this seizure.

25 Q.     Was that anywhere close to what Blue said that he was

1 entitled to receive back?

2 A. Absolutely not.

3 Q. So I believe you indicated that this seizure in Amsterdam  
4 occurred in December of '92, correct?

5 A. Yes, it did. December 13 of '92.

6 Q. Okay. And I believe you had indicated you started in  
7 this project in the spring of '91. Does that sound about  
8 right, that the project took that long, about a year and a  
9 half, a year and a half to two years?

10 A. Yes. Work two projects combined, the Australian project  
11 that we did in Australia, and the Amsterdam project that was  
12 seized.

13 Q. Because the way you are telling us, it sounds like this  
14 was all happening at once?

15 A. No, it was not.

16 Q. So this would take us up to about January of '93,  
17 correct?

18 A. Yes. Yes, it would.

19 Q. Okay. And roughly January of '93, did -- did Claude  
20 Duboc contact you about getting involved in another drug  
21 trafficking activity or assisting him in another activity?

22 A. Yes. He -- he had felt that I was under a lot of  
23 pressure from Blue of Amsterdam, and he felt that it would be  
24 good for me to go into Canada and assist on a project.

25 Q. How did those two things relate together? I'm sorry.

1 You said he felt that you were under pressure by Blue and  
2 thought you should assist in Canada. I didn't quite follow  
3 that.

4 A. I guess he felt like I was pressured from Blue. So  
5 therefore, he felt like it would be a good opportunity for me  
6 to just go assist on a -- on something that wasn't so  
7 pressurized as what I had just been through.

8 Q. And get you out of Spain?

9 A. And get me out of Spain.

10 Q. And specifically what did he want you to do?

11 A. He wanted me to fly in to Canada and assist on the Al  
12 Madrid project.

13 Q. And as you understood it, what was the Al Madrid project?

14 A. It was a hashish project that got busted in Canada.

15 Q. So this is -- we are talking about now that you are  
16 talking with Claude is in January of '93. When did you  
17 understand that this load had been busted or did you understand  
18 when it had been busted?

19 A. I don't really have any idea when it got busted. But, I  
20 did know that it did get busted in Canada.

21 And my obligation there was to meet with Al Madrid,  
22 Ken and Marshall Way in Al Madrid's attorney's office, and they  
23 would further instruct me on what I had to do; what my part was  
24 going to be.

25 Q. And did you have such a meeting?



1 A. Yes, we did.

2 Q. And where was this attorney's office?

3 A. It's in Vancouver, Canada. And this meeting took place  
4 either in January or February of 1993.

5 Q. Okay. And who was present at the meeting?

6 A. Present at the meeting was myself, Ken Cowles, Marshall  
7 Way and Al Madrid.

8 And this was in one of the attorney's conference  
9 rooms?

10 Q. Okay. Did you know Way by any nickname?

11 A. Yes. I knew him as Pinky or Rouge. I had never met him  
12 before.

13 Q. What about the fellow, you said Cowles?

14 A. Ken.

15 Q. Okay. Do you have any nickname for him?

16 A. Commander or -- I don't know, one of those. I don't  
17 remember.

18 Q. But you would know it to hear it do you think?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Does it sound like Commodore?

21 A. Commodore. There you go.

22 Q. So Larouge or Way and Commodore are Cowles and Al Madrid?

23 A. Yes.

24 Q. And yourself?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. And what was discussed at this meeting?

2 A. What was discussed at this meeting was that I had to --  
3 which was suggested from Larouge, excuse me Marshall Way, I had  
4 to go find an apartment. An apartment that would accommodate  
5 money.

6 This apartment would have to be -- would have to have  
7 an under garage parking to where Larouge could enter into the  
8 garage with his vehicle and bring up money to my apartment.

9 And it would be counted there and then it would be  
10 disbursed through various hotels which Sonia Vacca would then  
11 take from Canada to Singapore.

12 Q. But I thought you said that the Al Madrid project has  
13 been busted?

14 A. Yes, it was.

15 Q. Well, where is the money coming from?

16 A. The money is coming from the project.

17 Q. Okay. Well, maybe -- if the drugs were seized how is  
18 there money available from it?

19 A. I would assume that there were -- there was probably a  
20 large amount that had not been busted.

21 Q. Okay. All you knew is there was more money coming in?

22 A. Lots of it.

23 Q. Okay. So you assumed not all the load was seized?

24 A. I assumed that at that point in time. Yes.

25 Q. Anybody ever tell you how much was seized and how much

1 got through?

2 A. No, no one ever disclosed that. And I guess I never  
3 really asked, but I would assume it was a fairly large load.

4 Q. All right. Did you set up an apartment to collect money  
5 there?

6 A. Yes, I did at 1050 Broughton. I rented an apartment  
7 there for two years.

8 Q. And where -- what town is that in?

9 A. In Vancouver, Canada.

10 Q. Okay. All right. And after you rented the apartment  
11 there, what went on?

12 A. Larouge and a friend of his, and I do not recollect his  
13 name, I believe a short Italian man, would come to my apartment  
14 once or twice a week with money. And there they would repack  
15 the money and count it and take it to various hotels throughout  
16 Vancouver, Canada.

17 And that is where Sonia Vacca and her team of people  
18 would then take it from Vancouver, Canada to Singapore.

19 Q. And who did you understand was in charge of getting this  
20 money to you?

21 A. Who was in charge? La -- Marshall Way.

22 Q. And you started to say Larouge?

23 A. Yes. That is his nickname.

24 Q. Now, you mentioned that Mr. Madrid was at this meeting.  
25 What did you understand Madrid's role was going to be during

1 this collection process?

2 A. Madrid's role was to keep very busy skiing and detour the  
3 police there so that they would be watching him. And,  
4 therefore, everyone else could move easily with regards to  
5 picking up money and disbursing it into Singapore.

6 Q. Did you have any knowledge as to who was going to  
7 distribute the hashish that was being sold off?

8 A. Yes. At a later date Larouge, excuse me Marshall Way, he  
9 was the one that was delivering the money to my apartment. He  
10 had told me that Ernie and Monica, they are Canadians, were  
11 distributing the hashish. They were in charge of it.

12 Q. Okay. And who did you understand that they worked for?

13 A. Al Madrid.

14 Q. So you said he was detouring the police. Is that the  
15 term you used?

16 A. Yes.

17 Q. Okay. So you mean he was acting as a decoy to try to  
18 throw them off?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. Is that your understanding?

21 A. Yes, it is.

22 Q. Do you know anything more about this couple -- what did  
23 you say -- Ernie?

24 A. Ernie and Monica.

25 Q. Do you know anything more about them?

1 A. Just that they are part of the Hells Angels group,  
2 motorcycle club. And I believe now that Ernie is deceased.

3 Q. And they were continuing to distribute the hashish?

4 A. Yes.

5 Q. On behalf of Mr. Madrid?

6 A. Yes.

7 Q. How much money were you collecting?

8 A. I really don't know, because when Claude would call and  
9 talk to Marshall Way, he'd call and talk to him on my phone.  
10 But normally I was out at the park while the counting was going  
11 on. On a couple of occasions I walked into my apartment and  
12 they were still doing their counting of money.

13 But I would just watch TV and let them do their  
14 thing. So I really don't know what the figures are.

15 Q. Are we talking about a thousand dollars?

16 A. No, we are talking millions.

17 Q. But you weren't involved in the counts, so you don't have  
18 any accurate figures as to that?

19 A. I do not.

20 Q. Over what period of time did this money collection take  
21 place?

22 A. Approximately six months.

23 Q. And you're primarily staying in Vancouver during this  
24 period of time?

25 A. Yes, I was.

1 Q. Somewhere during this period of time, did you have some  
2 discussions with Richard Buxton or the Wizard as you had  
3 referred to him earlier about the Australian load?

4 A. Yes, I did.

5 On one occasion Claude had called me and said Wizard,  
6 Richard Buxton, was in town and he wanted to come over and say  
7 hello. So he came to my apartment and we talked. And Richard  
8 Buxton had mentioned that he understood or had heard that I had  
9 worked with a group in Australia. And I said, yes, I did.

10 And he at that point in time had acknowledged that he  
11 also worked on that same hashish load, meaning that half of the  
12 product of hashish was dealing -- if I received 25 to 30 tons  
13 in Australia, that means that this whole load was a lot larger,  
14 because he had said that he received a big portion of that load  
15 in Canada and that I got the leftovers.

16 And, that, yeah, the product was not of great  
17 quality, but not to allow Claude to get away with keeping so  
18 much money and not paying it back for the prices that he was  
19 quoting us for the hash at the time.

20 Q. So based on what Buxton was telling you at the same time  
21 the load that you were working on is going to Australia, there  
22 is another load coming into Canada?

23 A. Actually it was probably on the same mother ship. His  
24 load and the load that I worked on that went into Australia.  
25 But his load got delivered first. And then they hit Australia.

1 I really don't know.

2 Q. But, according to Buxton you got the -- the bad end of  
3 the deal on the hashish?

4 A. Yes, I did.

5 Q. While you were there in Vancouver collecting money, did  
6 you have occasion to see John Knock and Claude Duboc?

7 A. On one occasion that I know of John stopped in to  
8 Vancouver and I had met up with John and Claude. And I don't  
9 really recollect, but I know that John Knock had come over to  
10 my apartment, and it was just a very brief discussion. It was  
11 nothing of any special -- I didn't talk about any projects or  
12 anything. But he was visiting and was wondering how he was  
13 doing.

14 Q. And at the same point in time did you see Claude Duboc?

15 A. Yes, I did. Yes.

16 Q. So you are able to say they were in Vancouver at the same  
17 time?

18 A. Yes, they were.

19 Q. Okay. Did they actually meet together in your presence  
20 or do you know?

21 A. I believe that I met both of them at the Four Seasons  
22 Hotel in Vancouver in the bar area. I'm just not really clear  
23 on it.

24 Q. Did Knock ask you anything about what was going on that  
25 indicated that he knew about the Al Madrid project?

1 A. No. He never indicated anything like that.

2 MR. HANKINSON: Judge, we are going to launch into  
3 another major area at this point.

4 THE COURT: Do you want to take a little break now  
5 rather than later? Fifteen minutes, folks.

6 (Jury out.)

7 (Recess taken.)

8 (Jury in.)

9 THE COURT: Be seated, please.

10 You are still under oath, ma'am.

11 BY MR. HANKINSON:

12 Q. Ms. Roberts, I believe we were talking about some  
13 collection of money that was occurring in Vancouver between  
14 roughly January and June of 1993 when we finished up; were we  
15 not?

16 A. Yes, we were.

17 Q. Okay.

18 At some point during this period of time, did you  
19 find out that Mr. Duboc had two more loads of drugs proposed to  
20 be smuggled into North America?

21 A. Yes, I did.

22 Q. And as you understood it, one load was what substance and  
23 going where with?

24 A. One was marijuana.

25 Q. One load was marijuana?



1 A. Excuse me. I think I'm going to have to take a minute to  
2 regroup here.

3 The other load was hash.

4 MR. HANKINSON: Can we take just a second and let her  
5 step down.

6 THE COURT: Do you need a little break?

7 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.

8 THE COURT: Okay, folks. Just take a short one.

9 (Jury out.)

10 (Recess taken.)

11 (Jury in.)

12 THE COURT: Just be seated folks, please.

13 If the government is ready.

14 MR. HANKINSON: Yes, sir, Your Honor.

15 Q. Ms. Roberts, may we clarify so nobody on the jury is left  
16 wondering. Are you upset because somebody has been yelling at  
17 you or anything of that nature?

18 A. I would like to apologize to everyone on my behalf. I  
19 apologize to Judge Paul for snapping at him. I'm just under  
20 pressure in my own sense of reliving this whole life for too  
21 many years.

22 Q. But, just clarify. Have we been yelling at you or  
23 anything?

24 A. Nobody has been yelling at me. It's just when I have to  
25 relive -- when I read this documentation, the reality of it

1 all.

2 Q. All right. We are talking about two loads. And I  
3 believe you indicated that one of the loads Mr. Duboc was  
4 talking about was a marijuana load.

5 As you understood it, where was the marijuana load  
6 going to go into?

7 A. United States of America.

8 Q. Okay. And he also was planning another hashish load as  
9 you understood it; is that correct?

10 A. That's correct.

11 Q. And that was supposed to go where?

12 A. Into Canada.

13 Okay. To some extent, these are going on -- the  
14 planning of those are going on overlapping to some degree?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. And now, did Mr. Duboc ask you to get involved in  
17 assisting him in the marijuana load into the United States?

18 A. Yes, he did.

19 Q. And how did he first broach that with you?

20 A. I was, of course, in Canada helping collect funds on the  
21 Al Madrid project. And again, of course, I get those calls  
22 from him every day.

23 Q. Are you talking about Mr. Duboc?

24 A. Mr. Duboc. Yes. Claude Duboc. And he finally comes in  
25 and says it's on the water again. I need some help.

1           And again, it took me about two weeks to make the  
2 decision of helping him. Of course him calling me every day  
3 again. And I made a decision to help out on that marijuana  
4 load.

5 Q.     Did he have anything specific that he enlisted of you of  
6 who to contact or how he wanted it to be done?

7 A.     Yes. He wanted me to go contact an old group of people  
8 that I worked with from the '80s. That would have been Dallas  
9 and Doug Nelson. They were the transportation on the RUBY R  
10 load. And also my old friend Dodd Berger which was the captain  
11 on the RUBY R load that went into Pittsburgh.

12 Q.     So he basically wanted you to reenlist the help of some  
13 of the same people that helped you in the RUBY R in the 1987  
14 load?

15 A.     Yes. He wanted me to organize a boat project.

16 Q.     And did you go and start talking to some of those people  
17 to see if they would assist you in this project?

18 A.     Yes. I drove from Canada into California. And relocated  
19 all of the people that I had worked with on previous projects.

20 Q.     Now, you mentioned Dodd Berger as you knew him. Did you  
21 meet with Mr. Berger?

22 A.     Yes, I did.

23 Q.     And do you recall where you met with him?

24 A.     Could have been at his house in Northern California.

25 Q.     What did you discuss with Mr. Berger?

1 A. That Claude, the man that I had worked for, wanted to put  
2 a project together, a marijuana project. If he could assist me  
3 in that project, as being the captain and getting the boat.

4 Q. Did he agree to assist?

5 A. Yes, he did.

6 Q. At some point in time did you have discussions with him  
7 about him needing some money or some financing?

8 A. Yes. At one point in time he'd need some funding in  
9 order to buy a very large sized vessel that would accommodate  
10 the quantity, the load that was coming over.

11 Q. And did -- did you discuss with Mr. Duboc whether you  
12 could provide this money to fund Berger's boat?

13 A. Claude had no problem with financing the money for -- in  
14 order for Mr. Berger to buy a vessel.

15 Q. I believe you earlier indicated that a person named Sonia  
16 Vacca was involved in moving money from -- your part of it was  
17 from Canada to the Far East; did you not?

18 A. Yes. To Singapore.

19 Q. Okay. Did Sonia Vacca -- was Sonia Vacca present during  
20 any of your discussions about this load?

21 A. She was present with Claude Duboc and Dodd Berger. And  
22 they had met up in California, Long Beach, California. Claude  
23 and her appeared together and Dude Berger appeared at the  
24 Ramada Inn, I think, in Long Beach. And they had a meeting.  
25 The meeting which Mr. Berger had told me was about the

1 financing, putting the financing together in order for him to  
2 purchase a large sized vessel that would accommodate the load.

3 Q. Okay. So that was a little disjointed. Let's try to go  
4 back through that a little more systematically. There is  
5 apparently a meeting in Long Beach, California. Is that what  
6 you understand?

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Were you present for that meeting?

9 A. I was not present. I was in Canada; in Vancouver.

10 Q. Who told you about this meeting?

11 A. Claude Duboc and Dodd Berger.

12 Q. Both told you about that?

13 A. Yes. They both called me and informed me.

14 Q. And now you mentioned there is a meeting with Berger to  
15 discuss financing. And somehow Sonia Vacca is also involved.  
16 Is this a joint meeting as they told you, or is this two  
17 separate meetings?

18 A. One meeting. It's two separate meetings. One meeting  
19 with Claude Duboc, Dodd Berger and Sonia Vacca, and another  
20 meeting with myself and Dodd Berger.

21 Q. Now, as you understand it from Duboc and Berger, what was  
22 being discussed with Sonia Vacca and Berger and Duboc?

23 A. Financing in order for Claude to finance Mr. Berger so  
24 that he could buy a large sized vessel.

25 Q. Do you know why Sonia Vacca would have been involved in

1 those discussions?

2 A. I was quite surprised. But that was Claude's trip.

3 Q. I believe you also indicated that you were going to  
4 enlist the assistance of the Nelsons, correct?

5 A. Yes. I drove in to Grass Valley, California in Northern  
6 California. And I had rented a hotel room there. And I had  
7 Mr. Nelson and his wife come over and talk to me with regards  
8 to being the transportation and that they would be paid 400,000  
9 for the trucks.

10 Q. Now, there are several Nelsons. Which Nelson were you  
11 specifically talking to?

12 A. I was talking about the father and then there is a son  
13 that also assisted.

14 Q. The father's name is what?

15 A. Dallas Nelson.

16 Q. So you met with Dallas Nelson?

17 A. Dallas Nelson and Carol Nelson.

18 Q. Carol Nelson is Dallas' wife?

19 A. Yes.

20 Q. But it was your understanding that Doug Nelson was also  
21 going to be involved; is that right?

22 A. Yes. I talked to him at a later date.

23 Q. And they were going to do what?

24 They were going -- their participation in this  
25 project would be when the load arrived into the dock area in

1 Washington State, they would be ready with their two trucks to  
2 pick up the product and deliver it to a storage, which was on  
3 their property.

4 MR. HANKINSON: If I can have one second, Your Honor.

5 Q. You indicated that there has been some discussion with  
6 Mr. Berger about buying a boat.

7 A. Yes.

8 Q. Did you become aware of whether Mr. Berger did in fact  
9 purchase a boat?

10 A. Yes. I was very well aware of it.

11 Q. Did you ever see the boat?

12 A. I saw the boat before it was purchased.

13 MR. HANKINSON: If I might approach, Your Honor.

14 THE COURT: Surely.

15 A. Yes, this is the 90-foot boat. It was called PAL JOEY  
16 and Mr. Berger had changed the name to the SOUTHERN CROSS.

17 Q. That's Government's Exhibit 160A and B. Are those  
18 photographs of the boat you are referring to?

19 A. Yes.

20 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer those into evidence  
21 Government Exhibits 160A and B, Your Honor.

22 THE COURT: Without objection.

23 (Government Exhibits 160A and B admitted.)

24 MR. HANKINSON: I ask permission to publish.

25 THE COURT: Yes, sir.

1 Q. Let me make sure I understand what you are saying. You  
2 said the boat was originally called what?

3 A. PAL JOEY.

4 Q. P-A-L. Separate word J-O-E-Y?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. And then it was renamed what?

7 A. SOUTHERN CROSS.

8 Q. And in these pictures can you see the name of the boat?

9 A. Yes. On the very back on the deck it says SOUTHERN  
10 CROSS, San Francisco.

11 Q. Now, I believe it is now displayed before the jury, the  
12 picture of this boat that Mr. Berger had. What was he going to  
13 do with this boat?

14 A. He was going to meet up with Claude Duboc's mother ship  
15 and smuggle a load into the United States.

16 Q. If you would scroll across so we can kind of see the full  
17 length of it.

18 All right.

19 A. This is just a side view of the boat?

20 Q. And how big was this load supposed to be?

21 A. Approximately 25, 27 tons of marijuana.

22 Q. And the boat -- do you know how big this boat is?

23 A. How what?

24 Q. How big it is?

25 A. 90 feet. It is a very large vessel.



1 Q. All right. Did you have any discussion with Mr. Duboc  
2 about who he suggested using to distribute the marijuana in the  
3 United States?

4 A. He suggested first that Dodd would distribute marijuana  
5 throughout the United States, and then him and I came to the  
6 conclusion that -- he had mentioned Marshall Way. So I  
7 confronted Marshall Way. And Marshall Way was just finishing  
8 up Al Madrid's project, meaning that he had finished up  
9 collecting the funds of that hashish project in Canada where --  
10 which was the in between, was money would come to my apartment.

11 So he was pretty free in order to help out on that  
12 project and distribute the marijuana that would come in.

13 Q. Oh, apparently you didn't agree with the suggestion that  
14 Mr. Berger do it, that Duboc originally made?

15 A. I did not agree. I felt that Dodd was not capable of  
16 moving all of that merchandise.

17 Q. Did Way agree to do this?

18 A. Yes, he did.

19 Q. And did you introduce way to Berger so that they could  
20 coordinate?

21 A. At some point in time I introduced Marshall Way to Dodd  
22 Berger. But the -- they didn't have -- neither one of them had  
23 any business doings as far as merchandising the product.

24 Q. Now, you had earlier mentioned that in kind of an  
25 overlapping manner there were also discussions going on about a

1 hashish load into Canada, correct?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Okay. And did you have any assistance in getting people  
4 involved in handling that hashish load?

5 A. Yes, I did.

6 Q. And who did you -- well, first, who asked you to do that?

7 A. Claude Duboc. He again said that the product was on the  
8 water.

9 Q. And who did you contact on behalf of Mr. Duboc to assist?

10 A. A very old friend of mine, Richard Shinafelt. He lives  
11 in southern California.

12 Q. Shinafelt. Can you spell that for us?

13 A. I just want to be -- to get the correct spelling for you.

14 Q. That is all right. S-H-I-N-A-F-E-L-T?

15 A. That sounds right.

16 Q. And his first name was what?

17 A. Richard.

18 Q. And did Mr. Shinafelt make contact with someone else to  
19 assist him?

20 A. Yes, he did. He -- Richard Shinafelt contacted a good  
21 friend of his named Barry Allen, another American.

22 Q. Okay. And did they enlist the assistance of yet another  
23 person?

24 A. Yes. Barry Allen had a very good friend of his named  
25 Michael Richardson. He was a Canadian outside of Richmond,

1 Canada.

2 Q. Was he known by some nickname?

3 A. The Doctor is what I nicknamed him.

4 Q. He was a Canadian?

5 A. Yes.

6 Q. Did you attend a meeting with yourself and Duboc and  
7 Dr. Mike as you referred to him?

8 A. Yes, I did. Actually under my Irish false identity. I  
9 actually had credit cards and driver's license to accommodate  
10 my passport. So I was able to -- well, excuse me. Before that  
11 we had one meeting prior to that meeting that I'm going to go  
12 into in a moment. We had one meeting at the bay -- bay front  
13 Waterfront hotel. One of those in Vancouver, Canada. And  
14 Roger Darmon, that is Claude's -- one of his partners, Richard  
15 Shinafelt, Barry Allen, Michael -- Mike Richardson and myself  
16 met at this hotel in the lobby. And it was a very general  
17 discussion on who is going to make this project work.

18 So the Doctor -- excuse me, Michael Richardson said  
19 that he felt that he could get this project in order, and this  
20 was going to consist of 30 tons of hashish brought into Canada.

21 Q. All right. I believe you indicated there was a  
22 subsequent meeting --

23 A. Yes?

24 Q. -- with Mr. Duboc?

25 A. Yes. Right after that about a month later, Claude Duboc

1 flies into Vancouver, Canada. And that is when, with my false  
2 identity Karen Fergerty, I rent a conference room in the  
3 waterfront Hotel in Vancouver, Canada. Roger Darmon, again,  
4 Claude Duboc, myself, and Michael Richardson was present at  
5 that conference meeting.

6 Q. And what was discussed there?

7 A. What was discussed there was Michael Richardson felt very  
8 good about putting the project together, that it would be a  
9 30-ton hashish load brought into Canada. And Darmon was there  
10 to give them the exact size of the load, and also some basic  
11 information about the longitude and latitude and code  
12 frequencies where the mother ship and the offload vessel would  
13 meet up.

14 Q. So did Dr. Mike ask anything from Duboc?

15 A. Yes, he did.

16 Michael or Doc, the Doctor, wanted \$200,000 up front  
17 money, which Claude did transfer into one of his accounts in  
18 order to put the project together.

19 Q. Now, at the same time that this is going on the marijuana  
20 load is continuing on, correct?

21 A. Yes, it is.

22 Q. Okay. Did the marijuana load actually come into the  
23 United States?

24 A. Yes, it did. Into the port of Washington State.

25 Q. And when did that load come in?

1 A. July 4th of '93.

2 Q. And it came in where? I'm sorry?

3 A. In Washington State.

4 Q. And where were you when the load came in?

5 A. I was right across from the dock -- the other side of the  
6 waterway watching the load come into the dock.

7 Q. And how was it removed from -- let me clarify. First  
8 it's on Berger's boat, the SOUTHERN CROSS that we saw the  
9 picture of?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. How was it removed from that boat?

12 A. Through the four gentlemen, I can't remember now -- three  
13 or four gentlemen, including Dodd Berger and Dallas and Doug  
14 Nelson. They are all of the ones that took the load off the  
15 boat, and then put it onto two trucks, meaning Doug and Dallas  
16 and Doug Nelson's trucks.

17 Q. What kind of trucks did they put it on to?

18 A. They had semi trucks with trailers.

19 Q. And it was loaded up right there at the docks?

20 A. Yes, it was.

21 Q. And what were you doing while the marijuana was being  
22 loaded on the trucks?

23 A. From that point in time, I was basically surveillance  
24 down the road.

25 Q. So the Nelsons are there, Douglas and Dallas?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Who else was there?

3 A. Dodd Berger and his crew. I believe three other  
4 gentlemen.

5 Q. And are you there?

6 A. Yes, I am.

7 Q. So is that everybody that you know of that is present at  
8 the offload of the marijuana?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. Okay. And after it is put on the Nelson's trucks where  
11 is the marijuana taken?

12 A. It's then taken on July 5th to Dallas and Carol Nelson's  
13 property.

14 Q. What happens after it is taken to the Nelson's property?

15 A. It's -- well this is when I went and got Marshall Way,  
16 myself, Dallas Nelson, we started taking inventory.

17 Q. And how much marijuana has been brought in on this load?

18 A. Seventeen tons.

19 Q. And you start inventorying it there at the Nelson's?

20 A. Yes.

21 Q. Is that right?

22 A. Yes.

23 Q. Who was present for that?

24 A. Myself, Marshall Way, Dallas Nelson.

25 Q. You had indicated that Marshall Way was going to be in

1 charge of distribution earlier; did you not?

2 A. Yes.

3 Q. Okay. Was anyone else involved in the distribution of  
4 this marijuana?

5 A. Yes. Michael Richardson, the Canadian.

6 Q. How did that come about?

7 A. He had asked me if he could participate in the  
8 distribution. And I had talked to Claude about it. And he  
9 said yes he could.

10 Q. Okay. And how much marijuana did this individual  
11 receive?

12 A. I had met Dr. Mike in a hotel in Sacramento which I had  
13 arranged. And I had picked up a very old motor home. And I  
14 would later load up that motor home with 250 bales of marijuana  
15 and drive it to Auburn, California, which is very close to  
16 Sacramento and give it to Dr. Mike.

17 Q. Now, you said 250 what?

18 A. Bales of marijuana.

19 Q. And how much would that be?

20 A. I don't know what the weight of the product was at the  
21 time. Dallas and Marshall Way kept track of all of that.

22 Q. Did you have some idea of what you had agreed to give  
23 Dr. Mike?

24 A. Approximately 5,000 pounds is what it had come to.

25 Q. Somewhere in the neighborhood of 5000 pounds?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. And you indicated you delivered it where, I'm sorry?

3 A. To Auburn, California, very close to San Rafael,  
4 California.

5 Q. And who met you there?

6 A. Dr. Mike.

7 Q. And what was done with the marijuana at that point?

8 A. He got it into the motor home and left, and I went back  
9 to the Nelson property.

10 Q. And what was going on at the Nelson property at that  
11 point?

12 A. We were still taking inventory.

13 Q. All right. About this time, did you find out there was a  
14 problem in Spain?

15 A. Yes, I did.

16 Q. And what did you find out?

17 A. I had a cellular phone at the time. And I had gotten a  
18 call while I was taking inventory, that I had this raging man  
19 yelling and screaming into my cellular phone, and I couldn't  
20 figure out what he was saying. And he gave me this number to  
21 call in Europe. So I went to a phone booth. I left the Nelson  
22 property, went to the phone booth and I called.

23 And then I realized it was Blue from Amsterdam. And  
24 he was yelling and screaming that they had just kidnapped my  
25 daughter and I needed to reply immediately.



1 Q. And what did he want you to do?

2 A. He wanted me to fly to Europe immediately and to resolve  
3 the problem of all of this money that Claude had owed him in  
4 the past, with regards to the Australian money that he wanted  
5 refunded.

6 Q. So what happened after you got the call from Blue?

7 A. I then from a phone both called Claude Duboc, and I told  
8 him the situation. And, of course, he was in shock. But I  
9 said that it was a hard core reality. And at that point in  
10 time, I had known that my daughter and three of her girlfriends  
11 had gone over from Switzerland for summer break.

12 So I knew then that they had not only my daughter but  
13 three other young ladies from various countries. So I said  
14 that I had to jump on a flight and get over there immediately.

15 Q. Now, you indicated that you had a cell phone at this  
16 time. Is that correct?

17 A. Yes, I did.

18 Q. Okay. When you left, what did you do with the cell  
19 phone?

20 A. I gave the cell phone to Larouge so that he could be in  
21 contact with Claude Duboc.

22 MR. HANKINSON: If I may approach the witness as they  
23 are looking at those, Your Honor.

24 THE COURT: Surely.

25 Q. I'm going to place before you what has been marked for

1 identification as Government Exhibit 223. Does that appear to  
2 be the person you are referring to as Dr. Mike?

3 A. No.

4 Q. Okay. That is not the -- that is not the fellow you are  
5 referring to?

6 A. No.

7 Q. All right. You had indicated that you thought the  
8 fellow's name was Richardson. Could it be Roberson?

9 A. Roberson. It's easier if I can refer to him as Dr. Mike.

10 Q. Okay.

11 MR. HANKINSON: May I approach, Your Honor?

12 THE COURT: Certainly.

13 Q. Ms. Roberts, you had indicated that you had gotten a cell  
14 phone that you were using during the course of this activity.  
15 And I have placed before you what has been marked for  
16 identification as Government Exhibit 141.

17 Those appear to be some cell phone records I think  
18 you had a chance to look at yesterday in the name Gerry  
19 Roberts.

20 A. That is my brother. Yes.

21 Q. Is that the name that you got those cell phone records  
22 in?

23 A. I had borrowed his phone.

24 Q. Are those the records of the cell phone you were using --

25 A. Yes, they are.

1 Q. -- during this activity in 1993?

2 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that into as Government  
3 Exhibit 141.

4 THE COURT: Without objection.

5 (Government Exhibit No. 141 admitted.)

6 Q. The next item is a map of California that has been marked  
7 for identification as Government Exhibit 142.

8 Were you aware that while you were -- or did you  
9 later become aware that while you were using this cell phone,  
10 that law enforcement essentially was tracking your travels with  
11 the cell phone?

12 A. It was one very big mistake I made. I was very well  
13 aware of having a cellular phone and the tracking. I was very  
14 tired and getting very sloppy in my work. I was very well  
15 aware of it, though.

16 Q. Okay. Now, this -- you left for Spain at what point in  
17 time?

18 A. Probably around July 9th, 10th, 11 of 1993.

19 Q. Okay. Now, the exhibit in front of you there are some  
20 dates well after that. Is that not correct?

21 A. Yes, that's correct.

22 Q. Now, who did you indicate was using that phone after you  
23 left for Spain?

24 A. Yes. I handed my cellular phone to Marshall Way. And  
25 therefore, Claude Duboc could have contact with Marshall Way.

1 Q. Looking at this map, at least up until the point when you  
2 leave for Spain, which I believe you indicate was July 9th or  
3 10th, do the dates that they reflect, do they accurately track  
4 your travel as you were working on this smuggle into the West  
5 Coast?

6 A. Yes, they do.

7 Q. Okay. And, for instance, on June 24th, you're down in  
8 the Sacramento area. Do you remember why -- and then also,  
9 approximately that date in Santa Barbara, do you recall why you  
10 would have been in those locations?

11 A. Yes. I had rented an RV and I was working my way up the  
12 coastline slowly. And I actually went in -- the reason why you  
13 have me here July 5th -- well, I actually went into Canada. I  
14 came out of Canada with that RV.

15 Q. You are referring to the notation up at the top there,  
16 July 5th?

17 A. Yes. I was coming back down from Canada.

18 Q. Okay. That is where you went and got the RV?

19 A. No. I rented the RV from somewhere around Carlsbad,  
20 Oceanside, California.

21 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that into evidence  
22 Government Exhibit 142, Your Honor.

23 THE COURT: Without objection.

24 (Government Exhibit No. 142 admitted.)

25 Q. Next before you is an exhibit that is marked for

1 identification as Government Exhibit 143. Is that a record of  
2 a motel stay that you had?

3 A. Yes, it is.

4 Q. And do you recall where that is?

5 A. Yes. This is in Grass Valley, California. And this was  
6 May 25th of '93.

7 Q. All right.

8 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that into evidence  
9 Government Exhibit 143.

10 THE COURT: Without objection.

11 (Government Exhibit No. 143 admitted.)

12 Q. And look at document 143. And it's shown up on the  
13 screen here. It shows this is the Holbrook Grass Valley  
14 California. Is that -- I think that is the address here.

15 A. Yes. It's 21st West Main Street Grass Valley.

16 Q. You stayed there what May 25th and 26th of 1993?

17 A. Yes, I did.

18 Q. What were you doing in the Grass Valley area in May of  
19 1993?

20 A. I was having a meeting with Dallas and Carol Nelson with  
21 regards to being transportation for the marijuana project.

22 Q. Go next to the exhibit that is in front of you, Exhibit  
23 144.

24 Are you familiar with Government Exhibit 144?

25 A. Yes, I am.

1 Q. Is that a record of a truck rental that you did?

2 A. Yes. I rented a U-Haul truck in Washington State.

3 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that in as Government  
4 Exhibit 144.

5 THE COURT: Without objection.

6 (Government Exhibit No. 144 admitted.)

7 Q. All right. And if you would, I think if you will look  
8 on -- on the left-hand side of the document, there is a date  
9 out of July 2nd, '93, and return date of July 5th, '93.

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. Okay. And this is rented by you in the top left-hand  
12 corner?

13 A. Yes, it is.

14 Q. And this was a truck that you used in some way in the  
15 course of this importation?

16 A. Yes, it is.

17 Q. What was it used for?

18 A. This was to bring -- hold the excess of the shingles  
19 and/or objects that Dallas and Doug would need in order to  
20 store the marijuana in their trucks and hide it behind, whether  
21 it was a sheet of plywood or shingles, water hoses, thing like  
22 this.

23 Q. So it's used to carry something to hide the marijuana in  
24 the bigger semi trucks?

25 A. Yes.

1 Q. Okay. Next before you is Government Exhibit 145, which I  
2 believe, is a rental from Golden Chain Motel.

3 Do you recall renting rooms at the Golden Chain  
4 Motel?

5 A. Yes, I did.

6 When the load -- excuse me -- when the marijuana  
7 arrived on Dallas and Carroll's property, I rented those rooms  
8 in order to stay there and not stay on the property.

9 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that into evidence as  
10 Government Exhibit 145.

11 THE COURT: Without objection.

12 (Government Exhibit No. 145 admitted.)

13 Q. And showing up on the screen, the right-hand one says  
14 Julie Roberts. I believe it reflects July 5th through July  
15 11th.

16 Is that when you were staying there near the Nelson's  
17 residence?

18 A. Yes.

19 Q. Okay. What was going on at that point in time?

20 A. We were still taking inventory.

21 Q. Now, you also apparently rented another room, July 7th  
22 and July 8th on the left-hand side there. Who were you renting  
23 that other room from?

24 A. That was my sister.

25 Q. All right. Then if we would look at Government Exhibit

1 146, please, which I believe is a rental apartment, the  
2 Raddison in Enconita, California. Are you familiar with that  
3 motel stay?

4 A. Yes, I am.

5 Q. Okay. What did that relate to?

6 A. I had a meeting with Richard Shinafelt. And he was the  
7 one that was locating some friends in order to put the hashish  
8 project together in Canada.

9 Q. That is a report of your stay?

10 A. Yes, it is.

11 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that into evidence,  
12 Government Exhibit 146.

13 THE COURT: Without objection.

14 (Government Exhibit No. 146 admitted.)

15 Q. All right. And this is Raddison Inn in Enconita,  
16 California. Where is Enconita?

17 A. Enconita, it's in Southern California.

18 Q. And I believe this reflects a stay August 11th and 12th  
19 of 1993?

20 A. Yes, it does.

21 Q. And who did you indicate you were meeting with at that  
22 point in time?

23 A. Richard Shinafelt.

24 Q. So by this time, you had returned from your trip to  
25 Spain?



1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Okay. I believe you indicated you left the U.S. on July  
3 9th or 10th of '93 to go to Spain. So you were gone about how  
4 long?

5 A. Approximately two to three weeks.

6 Q. And this visit related to which importation?

7 A. Hashish.

8 Q. So this related to the hashish load into Canada?

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. But I've also placed before you what has been marked for  
11 identification as Government Exhibit 147, which appear to be  
12 some of your Visa records during this time frame?

13 A. Yes.

14 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer those into evidence as  
15 Government Exhibit 147.

16 THE COURT: Without objection.

17 (Government Exhibit No. 147 admitted.)

18 Q. And next I've placed before you what has been marked for  
19 identification as Government Exhibit 148, which I represent is  
20 a checking account of yours at the Bank of America?

21 A. Yes. Under the name of -- my real name, Julie Roberts.

22 Q. Is that an account in which some money was provided to  
23 you by Claude Duboc for use in this importation?

24 A. Yes, it was.

25 MR. HANKINSON: I would offer that into evidence as

1 Government Exhibit 148.

2 (Government Exhibit No. 148 admitted.)

3 MR. HANKINSON: Let's look at 148, if you would. And  
4 I think if you would pull it out of the sleeve so you could  
5 look at it please, Ms. Roberts.

6 Q. If you would go to the page that is reflected on the  
7 screen here, or if you can see the screen well enough to do it  
8 from there it's a monthly statement, June 17th, 1993.

9 A. Yes.

10 Q. There are a series of deposits into your account there on  
11 May 24th, \$9,300 May 24th, \$9,364 -- five deposits all just  
12 under 10,000 dollars.

13 Do you see that?

14 A. Yes, I do.

15 Q. Where was that money coming from?

16 A. That was coming from a money transfer from Claude Duboc.  
17 And what I did with that money was give the cash to Dallas and  
18 Carol Nelson, and I kept 5,000 dollars of that cash in order to  
19 get them going on the marijuana project.

20 Q. And why were those all just under \$10,000 but on roughly  
21 the same day?

22 A. So that the government wouldn't -- or the bank wouldn't  
23 recognize it as being drug money.

24 Q. So to avoid the currency transaction reporting that would  
25 have been involved over \$10,000?

1 A. Yes.

2 Q. Also in that package there are a series of wire transfers  
3 in the actual documents showing the wire transfers. Would you  
4 go to those and we'll reflect them up here on the screen.

5 A. Okay.

6 Q. All right. In the top left-hand corner of those wire  
7 transfers it indicates originator. Do you see where I'm  
8 referring to? If you look up on the screen where I have the  
9 red dot it will give you an originator.

10 A. Right.

11 Q. Let's go through those wire transfers and tell us who the  
12 originator is and tell us, if you know -- this would be the top  
13 left-hand corner of the document. Do you see where I'm  
14 referring?

15 A. I believe so. I can't pronounce them. It is out of  
16 Singapore.

17 The second one would be Dubai out of Hong-Kong,  
18 Shanghai Banking Corporation.

19 Chase Manhattan Bank out of Algeria. I believe that  
20 is how you say that.

21 Q. That is the one that is showing up here on the screen?

22 A. And then Standard Charter Bank Gem Trade Corporation out  
23 of Singapore.

24 Q. All right. Now, I believe there is also one for August  
25 10th of '93, is there not?

1 A. Yes. First Interstate Bank of California, Overseas Union  
2 Bank.

3 Q. And that one in August was how much?

4 A. Excuse me?

5 Q. The one in August was how much?

6 A. Excuse me for a minute. You want the amount?

7 Q. Right. The amount of the transfer. I think it's in big  
8 letters at the top of the wire transfer.

9 A. I have -- well, I guess I'm reading something different.

10 Q. Do you see?

11 A. I see the 24th.

12 Q. You see one there August 10th of '93 in the amount of  
13 \$9,994?

14 A. I'm sorry.

15 Q. That could be the last one?

16 A. \$9,408. I see one for \$9,381. 9,405, 9,300. Let me see  
17 one more. \$9,364. \$9,994. Campaign.

18 I'm trying to see where it's coming from. Singapore.

19 Q. Those were all transfers that were made to you on behalf  
20 of Claude Duboc?

21 A. Yes, into my personal account.

22 Q. All right. If you would go to the next one, Government  
23 Exhibit 149.

24 Are those some records of an account that you had in  
25 the Channel Islands?