- 1 and given to you to correct?
- 2 A. Yes. Uh-huh.
- 3 Q. And then you would make changes, corrections, send it
- back, then they would send you another draft, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. But the writing itself is not your writing?
- 7 A. No.

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- 8 Q. And the writing reflects what the agents --
 - THE COURT: Excuse me. The writing meaning typewritten or handwritten?
- MR. DAAR: Excuse me. Good point. Thank you.
- 12 Q. The typewritten portion of the 20-page document was not
- 13 typed by you, and is not your actual words, correct?
- 14 A. No, sir. But I do have my own original that I have at
- 15 | home of my own handwritten notes.
- 16 Q. Okay.
- A. With regard to everything that has been typed out for the
- government, I just don't have them currently with me.
- 19 Q. So are you using the Government's version of what you
- 20 told them to help refresh your recollection?
- 21 A. It's not a version. It's the actual truth.
- 22 Q. Okay. The Government's -- well, it's the Government's
- written words expressing what they believe that you said?
- 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 25 Q. Okay.

For the purpose of this examination I would like you
to just turn it over for a moment and try to answer the best
you can without it. If you would need to consult it you will
be able to.

A. It may be a little bit longer.

THE COURT: Hold on a minute.

MR. HANKINSON: Judge, I don't think counsel can restrict a witness from refreshing her recollection.

THE COURT: I don't believe so either. He can ask her to --

- Q. Okay. Let me request this. If you need to look at your notes, could you just advise us that you do have that need, we'll give you the opportunity?
- 14 A. No problem.

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- 15 Q. This business of importing marijuana and hashish is a complicated business; isn't that correct?
- 17 A. Very complicated.
- Q. And unlike traditional businesses, there is not contracts or addresses or businesses visits or appointments or anything of that nature; is that correct?
- 21 A. Yes, sir. As a matter of fact, it's just on a handshake.
- 22 Q. Okay. And that is because it's illegal, right?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. Now, you used the word project. It was my understanding that the word project describes when a group of

- 1 people come together, and at least in this case, agree to do
- 2 some kind of importing of marijuana or hashish into some
- 3 | country; is that fair?
- 4 A. Yes, it is very fair.
- Q. And the project, once it was -- everybody reaches a place
- 6 that they want to go forward, represents an agreement between
- 7 | all of the people in the project, correct?
- 8 $\|A$. Yes, it does.
- 9 Q. Some projects are planned, but they never reach the stage
- 10 of being agreed upon?
- 11 A. Yes, that is very true.
- 12 Q. But the projects that did go through in this case
- 13 | represent an agreement by the people within that project to do
- 14 | that project?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. We've also heard the term proposal. Now, proposal would
- 17 | be when one party to this potential project would come forward
- and present to the other members a service, if you will, a
- proposal to offload, for example; is that correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Or a proposal to purchase and distribute. Someone might
- come to the meeting, say, well I'm going to sell ten pounds, if
- 23 ||it's -- ten tons -- if it's delivered to Montreal at this
- 24 price.
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. That would be another example of a proposal?
- 2 A. Yes.
- Q. So different people with different needs and different
- 4 | abilities would come together and exchange proposals, correct?
- 5 A. That's correct, yes.
- Q. And then if the various proposals were accepted, there
- 7 | would be an agreement and the project would try to go forward?
- 8 A. It would try to go forward, yes.
- 9 Q. Now, there are many different roles within the various
- 10 parties who agree to a project, correct?
- 11 A. Yes, there are.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . One role, at least in projects that we've heard about,
- 13 seems to be what we call what I would call the source and the
- ship. In other words, it seems that the one party would be
- able to get the product from the source country, and put it on
- 16 a freighter, and get the freighter somewhere in the ocean; is
- 17 | that correct?
- 18 $\|A$. Yes, it is.
- 19 Q. From that point, there is sort of another breakdown,
- which would be the person charged with getting the product from
- 21 the freighter to the country in which it's going to be
- 22 distributed; is that correct?
- 23 A. Yes, it is.
- Q. And that would be called the offload, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Then there is sort of a third area, which would be the
- 2 distribution and the sale within the country that everything is
- 3 | brought to, correct?
- 4 A. Yes. Every situation is separate.
- Q. Okay. And then, after the load is brought in and sold,
- 6 there is a subsequent almost backwards motion of the money
- 7 going back through the various parties, correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. In other words, the person in charge of offloading it
- would flow through them and back to the person that arranged
- 11 the source and the supply, correct?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Now, within the world that you were in, Mr. Duboc in
- every instance was the source; is that fair?
- 15 A. Yes. It is fair, very.
- Q. And in every instance, Mr. Duboc is the one that got the
- product from the source country, arranged for a freighter and a
- 18 crew and arranged for that boat to be somewhere in the ocean,
- 19 | correct?
- 20 A. Yes
- 21 Q. And financing means he had the wherewithal to pay the
- 22 people that were giving him the product, pay the captain, the
- 23 | freighter, and sometimes he'd loan money to the people in the
- offloading so that they could purchase infrastructure like
- 25 ||ships or trucks to unload; is that fair?

- 1 A. Yes. It is very fair. To the point where he'd bring
- 2 | forward so much money in order to get a project complete he'd
- \parallel do anything. Money was not an issue with him.
- 4 $\| \mathbb{Q}$. So he had the money and contacts, relatively easy access
- 5 to large amounts of product, correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 \mathbb{Q} . His problem was finding people to buy it, distribute it,
- 8 and offload it, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . I mean that is why he always had a boat on the water but
- 11 nowhere for it to go?
- 12 A. Correct. Yes.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . And so as a businessman he was constantly trying to
- 14 | develop new sources for offloading, new sources of
- 15 distribution?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 $\|Q$. And as a businessman he'd fund offloaders and
- distributors to help them help him?
- 19 A. Yes, he would.
- 20 Q. Now, in the time that you knew Mr. Duboc, he worked with
- 21 many different offload groups, correct?
- 22 A. Yes. But I was not aware of who else he worked with,
- only currently with myself or Gary Vance.
- Q. Okay. But you are aware through talking to people that
- 25 | he had worked with other distributors?

- 1 $\|A$. Oh, yes.
- 2 Q. Now, certainly in the course of your testimony, we
- 3 have -- I've wrote down about 25 different names that have come
- 4 | up of people that have been at one time or another used by
- 5 Mr. Duboc so that he could sell his product.
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Now, Mr. Duboc also had at least five or six different
- 10 | suppliers, correct?
- 11 A. I don't know that information. But probably.
- 12 Q. Have you heard of the name N-A-D-I-N?
- 13 A. Yes, I have.
- 14 Q. Was that one of Mr. Duboc's suppliers?
- 15 | A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Have you heard the name R-S-Z-A-K?
- 17 | A. Yes, I believe he is Pakistani or one of those countries.
- 18 Q. Okay. And they were -- to your understanding --
- 19 Mr. Duboc's suppliers?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. You've heard the name Mr. Sea, S-E-A?
- 22 A. No.
- 23 | Q. Okay. Mr. Kiat, K-I-A-T?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 | Q. Mr. Hameed, H-A-M-E-E-D?

- 1 $\|$ A. That sounds familiar, yes.
- 2 Q. Does that sound like another one of Mr. Duboc's
- 3 |suppliers?
- 4 A. Yes. Foreign Pakastani name. That is where the hash
- 5 | comes from.
- 6 Q. So when the various parties and the potential products
- 7 | come together to meet, the various parties would discuss
- 8 | quantity, correct?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. They would discuss location?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. They would discuss manner of delivery, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. They would discuss the price of the product, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And they would discuss what percent or share or fee each
- 17 | party would get, correct?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. In some instances people would be paid a set amount, like
- 20 the Nelsons were promised a million by you if they drove the
- 21 trucks in '87. That would be an example?
- 22 | A. Yes.
- Q. Other times people were given a percent. I would give
- 24 | you 20 percent of the product if you offload it for me?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Everyone would have to come together and agree. And once
- 2 | that occurred the project would go forward?
- 3 A. Yes. Everyone would agree in different entities.
- 4 | Q. And one of your roles oftentimes was the projects you
- 5 | worked on was to sort of bring all of those loose ends
- 6 together?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Now, you used the word once or twice company, to mean a
- 9 business. You have referred to, at one point to Duboc's
- 10 | company. Then at one point you said our company. You
- 11 || corrected yourself and said Duboc's company?
- 12 A. Yes, I did, real quick.
- 13 Q. Company is really just a code word like project so you
- can talk about the elicit business of Mr. Duboc without saying
- drug importation network; is that correct?
- 16 A. Yes, it is.
- 17 O. There is no actual company, is there?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. There are no employees, are there?
- 20 A. No, there are not.
- 21 Q. There is no board of directors meetings?
- 22 A. No, there are not.
- 23 Q. So the word company is just a code word?
- 24 A. Yes, it is.
- 25 Q. Okay. Now, again, you should feel free to look at your

- 1 | notes at any time. But if you can answer our questions without
- 2 | them, I'd like to try that.
- 3 A. I'll try hard.
- 4 \mathbb{Q} . Going back to the '87 load, that did get through. In
- 5 | that particular load, you testified that you saw Al Madrid in a
- 6 pickup truck with John Knock; is that correct?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. You have no personal knowledge as to what Mr. Madrid was
- 9 doing there, or whether he was involved or not?
- 10 A. I cannot say that. I do not know. I was assuming -- if
- 11 he is with John Knock that he is going to work on the project.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . Other than the fact that he was with John Knock, you have
- no personal knowledge that he was involved?
- 14 A. No. I did not at that time.
- 15 Q. He wasn't at any of the meetings?
- 16 A. Never.
- 17 Q. His name had never come up with respect to this project
- 18 | before that?
- 19 | A. No.
- 20 Q. Were you aware in 1987 the drug laws in the United States
- 21 | changed significantly?
- 22 A. No, I was not.
- 23 \mathbb{Q} . Calvin Robinson gets busted in 1988, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Do you recall what the tonnage was?

- 1 A. Approximately 55 or 57 tons.
- 2 Q. Now, you indicated that the captain, Mr. Robinson, got
- 3 | life, correct?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 \mathbb{Q} . Do you understand that that was life without the
- 6 possibility of parole?
- 7 A. Yes. He was a three-time offender. That is why he got
- 8 life. He had participated in other illegal activities.
- 9 Q. Were you aware that in 1988, depending upon the quantity
- 10 | of contraband one with no prior record could get life?
- 11 A. No, I did not.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . Were you aware then of what was called the sentencing
- 13 ||guidelines?
- 14 A. No, I was not. I had no clue.
- 15 Q. You are aware now on it?
- 16 A. I'm very aware now. Thank you.
- 17 Q. Thank you.
- The fact that the captain got life was known to you
- 19 and others that had been involved in those various projects,
- 20 ||correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . And is it fair to say that it shocked everybody?
- 23 A. Yes, it did.
- 24 Q. Because those -- at least had you ever considered if you
- get caught you could get life?

- 1 A. Yes, I had.
- Q. Did you consider it before the captain had been arrested?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. So the captain's arrest caused you to reflect what could
- 5 happen to you if you brought marijuana or hashish into the
- 6 United States?
- 7 A. Very much. Very much, so.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . Were you aware around the time the captain got life that
- 9 the laws in Canada were significantly less serious than the
- 10 laws of the United States?
- 11 A. No.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . Did you become aware of that at a later time?
- 13 A. Yes, when I lived in Canada.
- 14 Q. Now, as far as you know, from your personal knowledge, my
- client, Albert Madrid, after the captain got life, never worked
- on a single project again in the United States of America. Is
- 17 | that fair?
- 18 A. Yes, it is very.
- 19 \mathbb{Q} . Now, my client, according to your testimony, was involved
- 20 | in an importation of hashish into Vancouver in the summer of
- 21 ||1992, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 \mathbb{Q} . You referred to it as Al Madrid's project, correct?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . The reason you referred to it as Al Madrid's project is

- 1 because on one end Duboc is behind every project, but one thing
- 2 | that changes from project to project is the distributor,
- 3 | correct?
- 4 A. Yes.
- Q. So one way to identify which particular project it is by
- 6 | naming the distributor, correct?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 Q. So when you said Al Madrid's project, a more accurate
- 9 description would be that was Claude Duboc's importation in
- which Al Madrid was the offloader; is that fair?
- 11 A. Yes, it is.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . So Al Madrid didn't own all of the product?
- 13 A. No, he did not. As a matter of fact, I didn't know
- 14 anything more about Al Madrid until I moved into Canada, and
- 15 then when I was in his attorney's office, with Al Madrid, Ken,
- Larouge, Marshall Way and myself, I then learned that he was
- 17 the one that was working on that project. I had never heard
- anything more about him.
- 19 Q. I'm not Al Madrid's Canadian attorney, nor was it in my
- 20 office?
- A. No, you are an American attorney.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . Now, going back to the 1992 hashish load, were you aware
- 23 that the product in that case was stamped grand finale?
- 24 A. No, I was not.
- Q. Were you aware that that was intended to be Mr. Madrid's

- 1 | last project?
- 2 A. No, I was not. But I would believe that he was not
- 3 | interested in working.
- 4 Q. Now, Al Madrid gets arrested that summer, correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. He is taken into custody but he eventually gets bail?
- 7 A. What I understand.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . You met him. He is out on bail is your understanding?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . Now, Claude Duboc had a very strict rule. And that was
- 11 that he'd never work with anybody that had flies on them,
- 12 ||correct?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Now, the word flies means that they have been identified
- 15 | and/or arrested by law enforcement, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. Now, Mr. Madrid had been identified and arrested by law
- 18 enforcement, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. To your knowledge, Mr. Duboc would never ever work with
- 21 Mr. Madrid again?
- 22 A. Yes, that is very correct.
- 23 Q. Now, you had periodic contact with my client, Mr. Madrid,
- 24 from the time you arrived in Vancouver basically until he was
- 25 | arrested off and on, correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And he, to your knowledge, confided in you, correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And he trusted you, correct?
- 5 A. Yes, he did.
- Q. From your knowledge, other than my client finishing selling the remaining portion of the load that didn't get found
- 8 in Vancouver, did he ever work on any project again?
- 9 A. No. As a matter of fact, Al Madrid was very upset when
- 10 he would hear that Roger Darmon, which is another partner of
- 11 Claude Duboc, when Claude Duboc and Roger Darmon would come in
- 12 Canada. I had spent a little time with Al Madrid. And Al
- Madrid was irate, yelling screaming saying, oh, my God, they
- 14 are in Canada. They are putting another project together.
- He -- if he could have probably choked Roger Darmon
- and Claude he probably would have. He was so upset that
- 17 they -- he knew if they were in town they were putting another
- project together. Al Madrid did not want to see another
- project. He did not want to do, like myself, another project.
- He was very irate.
- 21 Q. When you say choke, you mean that figuratively or
- 22 ||literally?
- A. Literally. I remember him yelling and screaming that
- 24 they are in town, they are going to put another project
- 25 | together. He didn't want anything to do with it. He had

- 1 gotten busted and he knew what reality was, like myself.
- 2 Q. Now, Al Madrid and Marshall Way and yourself collected
- 3 Claude Duboc's money from the load that Al was busted on,
- 4 | correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And that process kind of wound through '92 and about half
- 7 | of '93, correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Once that was finished -- and you were probably more of
- 10 Claude Duboc's representative than anybody, including Marshall
- 11 | Way or Al Madrid?
- 12 | A. Yes, I was.
- 13 Q. You were there to look out for Claude Duboc's interest to
- 14 | make sure that Claude Duboc got this money?
- 15 A. Yes. Because John was not working, nor was Al.
- 16 Q. Just like he did with Rogerson, you were there to make
- 17 sure that Duboc got his bread?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Now, once that part of this operation was shut down,
- 20 | i.e., collecting Duboc's money from that load, Al never did
- 21 another thing?
- 22 A. No, he did not.
- 23 Q. Now, Claude Duboc was not let us say even slowed down by
- 24 the fact that those people had been arrested, was he?
- A. Claude Duboc had absolutely no intentions of ever slowing

- 1 | down. He wanted to continue the work. I do know for a fact
- 2 | that John Knock and Al Madrid didn't want anything to do with
- 3 | him. They were upset when they would hear that there was
- 4 another project. I know Al Madrid for sure was very upset.
- 5 $\|Q$. Now, Claude having lost one offload distributor,
- 6 Mr. Madrid --
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 Q. -- was now more desperate than ever, correct?
- 9 A. Yes, he was very much so.
- 10 Q. Hence we get the boats on the water and hence we get the
- 11 pressure on you?
- 12 A. The pressure came right onto me; on my head, yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. So at this point, and I'm talking now sort of
- 14 after the arrest of Al Madrid in Vancouver, Ken Cowles, Al
- Madrid, and Berger, again the people that were involved in that
- load out of the organization, they are out of working with
- 17 | Claude Duboc?
- 18 A. Yes, they are.
- 19 Q. And some other people are -- have agreed to work with
- 20 Claude Duboc on a new project such as yourself, Berger, Blue,
- 21 | Buxton, Dr. Mike?
- 22 A. Yes. At this point in time, the two people that were
- 23 taking over was Claude Duboc and Roger Darmon, the two
- 24 | Frenchmen. And I would have to include Raymond Newbell.
- 25 $\|Q$. That is a new name, Raymond Newbell.

Now, when Claude was organizing the double load, the green marijuana to California and the hashish to Vancouver, he

3 specifically became angry about the fact that Madrid might have

- found out from either you or Marshall Way?
- A. Yes, he did. He did not want Al Madrid to know that I
- 6 was involved or anyone was involved in the new hashish project
- 7 | that I worked on, and the marijuana project. Because, that
- 8 means that he is bringing in another load, and Al Madrid didn't
- 9 want to have anything to do with it.
- 10 Q. Okay.
- Now, Sonia Vacca was one of the money carriers,
- 12 || correct?
- 13 A. Yes, she was.
- 14 $\|Q$. And Sonia Vacca is kind of a fancy woman, but does not
- have a background like yourself or many of the other people in
- 16 | this organization; is that fair?
- 17 A. That is very fair.
- 18 Q. She kind of was born of -- a better term rank amateur?
- 19 A. Very much so.
- 20 Q. Is that a fair characterization?
- 21 A. That is.
- 22 Q. And she was at -- her skills were adequate at couriering
- 23 money first class to Hong Kong in a fancy suitcase, but that
- 24 | was about it?
- 25 A. That is it.

- 1 Q. Now, did you have any knowledge that Claude Duboc in his
- desperation to find offloaders had somehow become involved with
- 3 | Sonia Vacca?
- 4 $\|$ A. I did not know. That is how desperate he was to find new
- 5 people to work with.
- 6 Q. Did you know that Sonya Vacca was trying to put together
- 7 ||an offload?
- 8 A. No, I had no idea. If he was working with Sonya Vacca he
- 9 was desperate.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . Now, you had an agreement in 1993 to work two projects
- 11 | with Claude Duboc, correct?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . You agreed with Claude Duboc to do your various duties
- with respect to marijuana and with respect to hashish, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 \mathbb{Q} . Did you have an agreement with Claude Duboc to work with
- 17 Sonia Vacca and this offload group that he was putting
- 18 | together?
- 19 A. I had no clue. No.
- 20 \mathbb{Q} . Was that part of your agreement with Claude Duboc?
- 21 A. No, it was not.
- 22 $\|Q$. Had you known about this planned operations?
- 23 $\|A$. No. Claude Duboc kept everything very separated and very
- 24 | quiet. So if I was working on a project, he'd not let Al
- 25 | Madrid know. He'd not let anybody else know. If someone else

- 1 like Sonia Vacca, he'd probably not let her know that I was
- 2 putting the project together for him.
- Q. So as far as your knowledge goes, Claude Duboc was
- 4 | engaged in a separate project that he was attempting to set up,
- 5 | based on Vacca's; proposal to him; is that fair?
- 6 A. Yes, it is.
- 7 \mathbb{Q} . Now, you understood that Mr. Madrid is being charged with
- 8 entering into a conspiracy that included the acts in
- 9 ||Gainesville -- Gainesville sorry -- or dealing -- involving
- 10 Sonia Vacca and Agent Lilley?
- 11 A. No, I did not know.
- 12 Q. You did not realize that that is the charge that my
- 13 ||client is facing?
- 14 A. At that time I did not know.
- 15 Q. Do you realize that now?
- 16 A. Yes, I do.
- 17 Q. Now, did you realize or did your attorney inform you when
- 18 you started talking to Mr. Seigal in '96 that you, Julie
- Roberts, could be charged here under the same theory that they
- 20 are charging Mr. Madrid here?
- 21 A. No, he did not inform me.
- 22 Q. In your plea agreement, did you or your attorney
- negotiate with the Northern District of Florida, to say, you
- 24 know, I'll help you, but please don't charge me with a
- 25 | conspiracy with Sonya Vacca and Claude Duboc in Gainesville?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. Did my client join this proposed project here in
- 3 ||Gainesville?
- 4 THE COURT: I sustain the objection. She doesn't
- 5 know.
- 6 Q. To her knowledge?
- 7 A. No.
- MR. HANKINSON: Objection, Your Honor. I would move
- 9 | to strike, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: Grant.
- 11 Q. Now, after Mr. Madrid ceased being involved in any of
- 12 this illegal business, he remained in contact with you,
- 13 | correct?
- 14 A. Can you repeat that, please?
- 15 Q. After around mid '93 that Mr. Madrid is finished selling
- 16 the load of Duboc's that got caught, the money is all given to
- 17 | the right people and he has stopped working, correct?
- 18 | A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Now, he stays in contact with you, nonetheless from that
- 20 point until the point that he was arrested, correct?
- 21 A. Yes. I think basically we were the last people out on
- 22 the street. That is why he kept in contact with me.
- 23 Q. Okay. So he was in contact with you based on friendship,
- 24 | correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. It wasn't about money?
- A. It was not about money, no.
- Q. And it wasn't about any business interests?
- 4 $\|$ A. Absolutely not.
- 5 \mathbb{Q} . As a matter of fact, the two of you rarely ever talked
- 6 about business, it was kind of a forbidden subject?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Now, you eventually became romantically involved with
- 9 Mr. Madrid, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And my client hoped that some day you would quit
- 12 | everything, and you would meet him somewhere, maybe Mexico, the
- 13 | two of you would have a family and live out your lives quietly
- 14 and peacefully and legally for the rest of the days?
- 15 A. Yes. As a matter of fact at one point in time, again I
- will repeat that out of all of those men that I've worked with
- over the years, Al Madrid is the only man that told me to my
- face, Julie if you need to turn yourself in for you and your
- daughter, please do it. I hold no regrets.
- 20 Q. When he said that he wasn't just thinking of your
- 21 surrendering yourself, but he knew that included potentially
- 22 sitting in a courtroom and testifying as you are?
- 23 A. Yes. He was the only one that was very sincere. He
- 24 also wants to change his life.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . Now, back in the '93 period, it was around that time

- 1 somewhere in '93, maybe early '94, that you decided enough of
- 2 my helping Duboc, I'm going to take some money out of this
- deal, correct?
- $4 \parallel A.$ Yes.
- 5 \mathbb{Q} . And you had actually discussed that with Mr. Madrid?
- 6 A. I pretty much tried to keep things to myself. But I
- 7 | needed someone to talk to.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . And so you told Mr. Madrid that you were considering
- 9 keeping money that you got that was earmarked for Duboc,
- 10 ||correct?
- 11 | A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And Mr. Madrid told you, help yourself?
- 13 A. Yes.
- He said, think about yourself, Julie.
- Q. Mr. Madrid was certainly not protecting Claude Duboc's
- 16 | interests, was he?
- 17 A. No, he was not. He didn't want anything to do with him.
- 18 \mathbb{Q} . Now, when you described on direct at some point there was
- 19 | a meeting between you, Rogerson, and also Al Madrid, correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 \mathbb{Q} . And that meeting occurred sometime in early '94?
- 22 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you know where?
- 24 A. In a Chinese food restaurant.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . Just as fancy as the other one?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And at this point, it was relatively early in what we'll
- 3 call the payback schedule that Mr. Rogerson owed Mr. Duboc?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And it certainly had not become of any critical nature,
- 6 ||correct?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Now, you actual asked Al at almost the last minute could
- 9 you come along, correct?
- 10 A. Yes, that is very correct.
- 11 \mathbb{Q} . And Al hardly even know what it was about until you
- 12 | briefed him on the way there?
- 13 A. That is very true.
- 14 \mathbb{Q} . And Al came along with you because of his friendship to
- 15 you, correct?
- 16 A. Yes, he did.
- 17 \mathbb{Q} . Not to help Mr. Duboc, not as a member of some
- 18 conspiracy?
- 19 A. No, absolutely not.
- 20 Q. He came as someone who was concerned with you and that
- 21 | wanted to help you?
- 22 A. He was concerned for me.
- Q. And because you asked?
- A. Because I asked for him to be there.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . Now, in your direct you talked about the fact that there

- 1 was some words by either Knock or Madrid that kind of elicited
- 2 to maybe the IRA backing up someone?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. Do you have any recollection now of what my client, not
- 5 either John or Al, but what Al said?
- A. He might have said -- I'm not clear on this, that -- I'm
- 7 | really not sure.
- 8 Q. Okay. If you don't know what he said then you can say I
- 9 don't know what he said.
- 10 A. I believe if he had said that there was a Irish Republic
- 11 Army behind Claude's -- behind Claude, he was saying that to
- 12 Dr. Mike, just as kind of a scare tactic.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . But you are not even sure he said that?
- 14 A. No, I'm not even sure.
- 15 \mathbb{Q} . Now, certainly Dr. Mike never felt threatened by Al, did
- 16 he?
- 17 A. No, not at all.
- 18 \mathbb{Q} . And we know that because we all listened to the
- 19 conversation that took place two years later in '96?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 \mathbb{Q} . Now, at that point, he is owed 20 million dollars for two
- 22 || years, a little more serious, right?
- 23 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, do you remember -- in that conversation I believe
- 25 | that Al is referred to as Blank?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And do you recall that Mr. Rogerson asked you, well when
- are you going to get married to that guy?
- 4 $\|$ A. Right.
- Q. And you said it seems like you are going to get married.
- 6 Do you remember that?
- 7 | A. Yes, I do.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . And then he says: He seems like a nice guy. Isn't that
- 9 | what Mr. Rogerson said?
- 10 A. That is very true. Yes.
- 11 \mathbb{Q} . So Mr. Rogerson was not threatened by Al Madrid, was he?
- 12 A. No, he wasn't.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . Everything that you have told me in this examination has
- 14 | been the truth?
- 15 A. Yes, it has been.
- 16 \mathbb{Q} . And nobody has threatened you in any way or put any
- pressure on you to say what you said?
- 18 A. No.
- MR. DAAR: Thank you.
- THE COURT: Redirect.
- MR. HANKINSON: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 22 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 23 BY MR. HANKINSON:
- 24 \mathbb{Q} . And in fact along those lines, you would like to help out
- Mr. Madrid, wouldn't you, Ms. Roberts?

- 1 A. I hope that he gets a light sentence. And why it is,
- 2 because he like myself did our duty and we were -- I became
- more in -- excuse me, I became more of putting projects
- 4 | together, but as I learned more and more about Al, Al was a
- worker like myself and he was not Claude Duboc or John Knock.
- 6 \mathbb{Q} . He was a worker in the drug business?
- 7 A. Yes, he was.
- 8 Q. Okay. And you would like to put in a good word for him
- 9 here, that is essentially what you have done through his
- 10 attorney, right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. And in fact you met with his attorney on three different
- occasions to talk to him and talk to him about what you knew,
- 14 | right?
- 15 | A. Yes, sir.
- 16 \mathbb{Q} . And you knew you didn't have to do that?
- 17 A. Yes, I did.
- 18 $\|Q$. That was totally voluntarily?
- 19 A. Yes, it was.
- 20 Q. And in fact you gave him copies of every document that
- 21 you had that related to this case?
- 22 A. Yes. I have given every agent and every attorney
- documents of absolutely everything that I have to keep
- 24 everything open here. Nothing is hidden.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . And you -- you referred earlier to some documents that

- 1 may have gotten kind of confused. You were asking about some
- 2 notes that you had. Were those some of the documents that you
- 3 turned over to Mr. Madrid's attorney?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And those were documents that related to the forfeitures
- 6 | in this case?
- 7 | A. Yes, sir.
- 8 Q. Okay. So you shared copies of those with him?
- 9 A. I shared everything that I had copies of.
- 10 Q. Now, along the lines of what Mr. Daar's attorney was
- 11 | asking you, has this office, the Northern District of Florida
- 12 prosecutor's office, ever pressured you to try to say anything
- 13 ||in particular?
- 14 A. No. I would have to honestly say that through my course
- 15 | from the day that I turned myself in to the United States, that
- 16 | all of the government agencies and government agents have been
- 17 | very diplomatic with me, very nice. As a matter of fact, I
- 18 enjoyed working with Greg Small, the agent that I worked with
- 19 | for two years. Everyone has been great.
- 20 Q. And those -- in these meetings with everybody, has it
- 21 | been a give and take, and you told them just what you were
- 22 | thinking?
- 23 A. Absolutely. With everybody.
- 24 |Q. Now, Mr. Kennedy suggested that you were up here trying
- 25 to say what the prosecutors would like to hear. Do you recall

- 1 | those questions?
- 2 A. Yes, I recall. And I feel that he is very wrong. I have
- 3 been very honest. The government has been very honest. The
- 4 attorneys have been very honest. Everyone has been very
- 5 | up-front and honest here.
- 6 Q. Has anybody even suggested that it would be good to lie?
- 7 A. Absolutely not.
- 8 Q. Now, are you -- you are not a stupid person. You could
- 9 come up with a story that would more directly implicate John
- 10 | Knock, couldn't you?
- 11 A. Oh, of course I could.
- 12 Q. All right. And, in fact, in -- in the spring of '93, you
- met in Vancouver with John Knock and Claude Duboc; did you not?
- 14 A. Yes, I did, sir.
- 15 Q. That would be very easy for you to say that there were
- 16 extensive discussions of the planning of the 1993 loads;
- 17 ||wouldn't it?
- 18 A. Yeah, I have never been a liar. I was never taught to be
- 19 a liar. My mother was a very honest woman, thank God.
- 20 Q. Did you have discussions at that point with Mr. Knock
- 21 about the 1993 importations in -- in Vancouver in the spring of
- 22 / 93?
- 23 A. No. No.
- Q. Now, there was some suggestion by the defense attorney
- 25 for Mr. Knock that you were concerned about being charged here

- 1 | in this district. Has anybody from my office ever suggested
- 2 that charges were being considered against you?
- 3 A. No, never.
- 4 Q. And included in the documents that you gave to Mr. Darr
- was a copy of your presentence report, which is basically a
- 6 | confidential document all about you, right?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 $\|Q$. And you voluntarily gave that to him?
- 9 A. I voluntarily gave that to him, yes.
- 10 Q. Understanding that he may use that against you to
- 11 | cross-examine you?
- 12 A. Sure. Yes.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . Were you aware that he was going to share that with
- 14 Mr. Knock's attorney?
- 15 A. No. Oh, yes, I was. He did inform me. He actually
- asked me if he could share this information with John Knock's
- 17 | attorney. And I said, yes.
- 18 Q. Now, let's go back to the first boat load that we talked
- 19 about in 1987, the RUBY R load.
- 20 You had indicated that you got into this with Gary
- 21 || Vance, right?
- 22 | A. Yes.
- 23 \mathbb{Q} . And between you and Gary Vance, you know who was
- 24 | basically in charge in the '87 RUBY R load?
- 25 $\|A$. Gary Vance. I was his girlfriend.

- 1 |Q. You did assist him in some ways?
- 2 A. Yes, I did.
- \mathbb{Q} . But primarily he was the one that was calling the shots?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. For the offload business?
- 6 A. Yes, he was.
- 7 Q. Do you know whether he got any money beyond the money
- 8 that you received from the Knock-Duboc organization?
- 9 A. He definitely did not, because any time he received money
- 10 from John Knock, I was present.
- 11 Q. The three million dollars that went into the Patrick
- 12 | Conlan account, whose money was that?
- 13 $\|A$. That was Gary's, not mine.
- 14 \mathbb{Q} . Now, there was a little bit of confusion at one point. I
- think you were referring to a Tom Vance and it got -- it got a
- 16 | little bit confused. The Tom Vance that you were referring to
- about bringing Mr. Robinson and Mr. Lyttle into this, who were
- 18 you referring to when you said Tom there?
- 19 A. Gary Vance.
- 20 Q. Okay. Now, there is a Tom Vance. That is the son of
- 21 | Gary Vance, right?
- 22 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. Okay. Just to keep things clear, let's talk about the
- 24 | father as Gary Vance and the sons as Dan and Tom Vance.
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Are you the mother to Tom and Dan Vance?
- 2 A. No.
- Q. Okay. So they were Gary Vance's children by a separate
- 4 ||wife?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. Okay. And you indicated that Gary Vance was the one that
- 7 | insisted that they be involved.
- 8 A. He definitely insisted. It was very upsetting.
- 9 Q. Did you consider it your place to override what their
- 10 | father had said?
- 11 A. Excuse me? I'm not understanding that.
- 12 Q. In terms of Gary Vance, the father insisted that they be
- 13 | involved.
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. As the stepmother, I guess is that how we characterize
- 16 ||it?
- 17 A. Girlfriend.
- 18 |Q. Okay.
- 19 $\|A$. They didn't want me.
- 20 Q. You weren't even married to Gary Vance?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. So you really had no relationship there. Did you
- 23 ||consider it your place to override their father's insistence
- 24 | that Tom and Dan be involved in this drug load?
- A. Yes. As a matter of fact I tried to talk the boys out of

- 1 | it. But they were too pressured from the father.
- Q. Okay. There were -- there was discussion, and I think
- 3 perhaps it got a little bit confused. Let's talk about
- 4 | instances where you were collecting money for the Knock-Duboc
- 5 organization.
- 6 Because I think in some instances we started talking
- 7 | about dollars, then we may have repeated those dollars. It
- 8 | made us sound like we were doubling up on those. If we could,
- 9 let's go with the -- the first instance. I think you told us
- where it was simply the collecting of money after the '87 load
- 11 | which was the Australian load, right?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Okay. And I believe you previously indicated that that
- 14 was in late '91 that you were collecting the money. You were
- 15 | in Hong-Kong and were receiving money?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. During that period of time?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And do you recall about how much you received
- 20 | during that time frame?
- 21 A. In Hong-Kong?
- 22 | Q. Right.
- 23 A. Approximately it was either two or three million.
- 24 Q. And at some point in time you indicated that you had
- 25 | received \$24 million dollars Australian, right?

- 1 A. Yes, I did, sir.
- Q. And when was that?
- 3 A. In Singapore. I just have to look at the year.
- 4 ||O. Sure.
- 5 A. It was in 1991.
- 6 \mathbb{Q} . All right. And I believe you have indicated that in
- 7 December of '92, the -- the second load proposed Australian
- 8 load but went to Amsterdam was seized, right?
- 9 | A. Yes, sir.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . And then after that you got involved on a couple of
- 11 | occasions collecting money in Canada?
- 12 A. Yes, I did.
- 13 $\|Q$. Okay. And the first one of those was I think in
- 14 | Vancouver, correct?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And when was that?
- 17 A. In 1993.
- 18 | Q. Okay. Early 1993?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Okay. And I think that you had indicated the other day
- 21 | that went on for about six months, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And were you able to say how much was collected during
- 24 | that period of time?
- 25 A. From the hashish load?

- 1 Q. Uh-huh.
- 2 A. Thirty million Canadian.
- 3 Q. Now, there was a -- there was also an instance where you
- 4 | were collecting money in Montreal. Now, it was my
- 5 understanding that Montreal is when you collected this 30
- 6 | million Canadian?
- 7 | A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Maybe I'm confused.
- 9 A. No. In Montreal, Canada is where I collected the 30
- 10 | million dollars cash.
- 11 ||Q|. Okay.
- 12 A. Canadian.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . And that was a subsequent collection, right, from
- 14 | Vancouver?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Okay. So that probably is confusing you. Collecting the
- 17 | money in Hong-Kong in '91?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And then in early '93, you were collecting money in
- 20 Vancouver?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 $\|Q$. And then in late '93, you went to Montreal, and you were
- 23 || collecting money in Montreal?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 |Q. Right?

- 1 A. Yes.
- Q. And in terms of the '93 load into Seattle, Washington,
- 3 and that was later seized in California, you had indicated that
- 4 | you were aware that Marshall Way got \$200,000, correct?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 \mathbb{Q} . And how were you aware of that?
- 7 A. He had received 200,000 from the Doctor. And I also
- 8 think, which I forget, I think that I had given him another
- 9 200,000 from Barry.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . Okay. And who is Barry?
- 11 A. Barry Allen.
- 12 Q. So?
- 13 A. Again we had met at a Marriott Hotel in San Francisco.
- 14 \mathbb{Q} . So how much money do you think Way got total that you are
- 15 | aware of?
- 16 A. 400,000 to give to Claude Duboc.
- 17 Q. And 200,000 of it was from Barry?
- 18 A. Barry Allen.
- 19 Q. And Barry Allen was working with whom?
- 20 A. Dr. Mike and Rich.
- 21 \mathbb{Q} . And that money, you were present when that money was
- 22 | delivered to him?
- 23 A. Yes, I was. It was in the Marriott Hotel. The hotel was
- registered under my name.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . Okay. And now, if I understand you, you think there is

- 1 | another 200,000 dollars that was given to Marshall Way?
- 2 A. Doctor Mike, Barry Allen.
- Q. Okay. So how is the 200,000 from Dr. Mike given to
- 4 | Marshall Way?
- 5 A. Cash.
- 6 \mathbb{Q} . Okay. And where -- were you present at that?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. Where was that?
- 9 A. Marriott Hotel. I might be a little confused.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . Okay. You look like you are a little confused on that.
- 11 A. Because it's easy to get confused. I remember meeting
- Barry Allen in Southern California. And I picked up 200,000.
- 13 Q. Okay.
- 14 A. Okay. Then on another instance I did not pick it up from
- Dr. Mike in the Marriott motel, it was from Barry Allen again.
- 16 $\|200,000$. It was not from Dr. Mike.
- 17 Q. Okay. I think I'm confused now. So tell us what money
- 18 you are aware of going to Marshall Way?
- 19 A. Okay. 200,000 from Barry Allen which was given to
- 20 myself. And 200,000 when Barry Allen and myself were in a
- 21 | hotel room in the Marriott Hotel.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . So as to whether it's one or two separate things?
- 23 A. It's very hard.
- 24 Q. You are a little confused?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 $\|Q$. Okay. Fair enough.
- 2 And the last time that you were involved in
- 3 collections is in -- starting in '94 when you are trying to
- 4 | collect the 20 million dollars from Dr. Mike, Mr. Rogerson,
- 5 ||correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. Now, you indicated that you delivered a million dollars
- 8 to Mr. Berger Canadian, a million dollars Canadian to the
- 9 | Nelsons, and \$400,000 U.S. to the Nelsons, correct?
- 10 | A. Yes, sir.
- 11 \mathbb{Q} . And where did you get that money from?
- 12 | A. From Dr. Mike.
- 13 $\|Q$. And where did you get that?
- 14 A. I received it in Palm Springs, California.
- Q. And so that was the money from Dr. Mike to those people
- 16 for their assistance in the '93 marijuana loads?
- 17 A. Yes. He was aware of it.
- 18 Q. Well, he was more than aware of it, he had gotten some of
- the marijuana, hadn't he?
- 20 A. Yes, he did.
- 21 \mathbb{Q} . In fact, he got about 5,000 pounds of the marijuana?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Now, you were asked about your taxes. And you indicated
- 24 that you had arrived at some figure that you had profited about
- 25 a million and a half that you were going to have to declare on

your taxes?

A. Somewhere around there. I haven't sat down and looked over all of my documentation. It scares me. But I have acknowledged with Internal Revenue Service, Mr. and Mrs. Purdy, they are tax accountants, have acknowledged with the Internal Revenue Service, this year I will be filing my taxes.

And, as a matter of fact, before we started this whole trial, I asked Mr. Hankinson if I could have documentation with regards to all of the figures so I can bring out everything in front for the Internal Revenue Service.

- Q. Okay. How did you arrive at that estimate, the million and a half?
- A. I'm just assuming that I received cash on the 14th from John Knock, there is a million dollars through various bank transfers, from Claude Duboc into my personal accounts or overseas under various alias names, that comes out to approximately a million and a half, two million. I really don't know until I get to that phase.
- Q. So that is a work in progress?
- 20 A. Excuse me?
- 21 Q. So that is a work in progress?
- A. That is my next obstacle course, yes.
- Q. But you intend to declare and pay taxes on what you made in the drug business?
- 25 A. Yes, I do.

- 1 MR. HANKINSON: If I might approach, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Surely.
- Q. I think Mr. Knock's attorney had asked you about a
- 4 statement that you made that was in a packet of materials that
- 5 he was given. Have I put part of that statement in front of
- 6 you?
- 7 A. Yes, you have, sir.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . And did you give a copy of that to Mr. Daar previously?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . Okay. And those are documents that you gave to law
- 11 | enforcement back in 1996?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. It is a little hard to read. There is a date written in
- 14 | the top left-hand of that statement. And part of it is cut
- 15 off.
- Can you tell us roughly when that statement was
- 17 offered?
- 18 A. I think that it was September of 1993. I'm not sure.
- 19 Q. Well, September of '93 you would still have been
- 20 | involved --
- 21 A. I'm sorry. It had to have been right before I turned
- 22 | myself in. So it was probably in '97.
- Q. So you turned yourself in in February of '96?
- 24 A. Sorry.
- Q. We have established that?

- 1 A. All of those years. It would be '95.
- 2 Q. September of '95?
- 3 A. Yes.
- Q. I mean you can read the September part, but you can't
- 5 | tell us what year it was?
- 6 A. It was '95.
- Q. All right. And I have highlighted portions of that
- 8 statement. Would you just read the -- the part I highlighted?
- 9 A. Okay. It says: To whomever it may concern. This is --
- 10 this is a list of names which will be helpful in solving the
- 11 Claude Duboc case and international criminals John Knock, owner
- 12 and part owner of the organization.
- John Knock has been retired for several years.
- 14 | Finish off with the -- John Knock and Roger Darmon are
- presently hiding in France. Every month I have phone contact
- with them. The next call is September 20th and October 1st, to
- arrange a meeting or dinner in France. I cannot wait any
- longer or I will lose contact with both of them.
- 19 Q. Okay. Those comments were -- you were going to help law
- 20 enforcement locate them, correct?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And did you do so?
- 23 | A. Yes, I did. I did, sir.
- Q. All right. Now, you indicated in that statement that
- John Knock has been retired for several years. What did you

- 1 | mean by that?
- 2 A. I meant that I had no inclination or clue, and I had
- 3 | heard through other people that he didn't want anything to do
- 4 | or work with Claude Duboc.
- 5 Q. Okay. But before you -- well -- about the time of Claude
- 6 Duboc's arrest, Claude Duboc told you something else, didn't
- 7 | he?
- 8 A. Yes, he did, sir.
- 9 Q. Remind us about the phone conversation that you had with
- 10 Claude Duboc just before he was arrested?
- 11 A. I was in Mexico. And Claude Duboc had told me that he
- was on the run from American authorities. He was in Thailand
- with his -- one of his Thai wives. And he had said that if
- anything happened to me he was going to go to Hong-Kong the
- next day. If anything happens to me that John Knock will take
- 16 over.
- Q. Okay. But then within a day or two you had conversation
- 18 | with John Knock, correct?
- 19 A. Yes, I did.
- 20 Q. And did he confirm that he was taking over the
- 21 | collections of the money?
- 22 A. Yes. He confirmed that he was taking over the
- 23 ||collections of the 20 million, that I would receive at some
- 24 point in time from the Doctor
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . Okay. And between March of '94 and when Mr. Knock was

- 1 arrested in April of '96, were you having periodic contact with
- 2 Mr. Knock?
- 3 A. Yes, I did.
- 4 Q. And in those contacts was the discussion about how things
- were progressing on collecting the money?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And during the course of those conversations, was -- was
- 8 Mr. Darmon ever, Roger Darmon, was he ever involved in those
- 9 ||conversations?
- 10 A. Yes. At one point in time when I was talking to John
- 11 Knock in France at a phone booth, he was in a park. Roger
- 12 | Darmon was present. And, as a matter of fact, I had talked to
- 13 | him on two different occasions when I had made separate calls.
- 14 Q. Sorry?
- 15 A. He also wanted that money too.
- 16 Q. That is Roger Darmon?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And in the -- in the transcript we saw today, there was a
- discussion -- there was a taped statement about getting his --
- 20 || I forget your terminology -- maybe it was partner or associate
- 21 to pick up the company paycheck. Do you remember that
- 22 | reference?
- 23 || A. Yes.
- Q. What were you referring to there?
- 25 A. The 20 million.

- 1 Q. Okay. And who was the associate that you were suggesting
- 2 | that maybe could pick up the -- help pick up the 20 million
- 3 ||dollars?
- 4 A. Roger Darmon.
- Q. Had you discussed with Mr. Knock getting Darmon to be
- 6 | involved in picking up the portion of the 20 million dollars or
- 7 | the 20 million dollars?
- 8 A. No. He wanted to keep him separate at that point in
- 9 | time.
- 10 Q. Okay. So you had discussed it or you had not discussed
- 11 | it? I'm sorry.
- 12 A. Okay. Yes. I did discuss it with John. John at that
- point in time did not want Roger Darmon involved in the
- 14 | collection of the 20 million. I guess he wanted it for
- 15 | himself.
- 16 Q. Did he indicate why he didn't want him involved?
- 17 A. No, he did not.
- 18 |Q. Now, did -- did Knock ever talk directly with Dr. Mike?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 $\|Q$. Did he encourage your efforts at the collection from
- 21 Dr. Mike?
- 22 A. Yes, he did.
- 23 Q. And did he offer to send assistance in those collections?
- 24 A. Yes, he did.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . What was the nature of the assistance that he offered?

- 1 A. He said that he'd have a -- a group of people from
- 2 Montreal help me assist in collecting the 20 million.
- 3 |Q. And you also indicated that Al Madrid went with you on
- 4 | one occasion to talk with Dr. Mike?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 Q. And as -- it is a little foggy, but as best you recall,
- 7 Mr. Madrid made some reference to the organization has contacts
- 8 | with the IRA?
- 9 MR. DAAR: Objection.
- 10 | THE COURT: Overruled. Go ahead.
- 11 Q. That organization has some contact with the IRA, is that
- 12 | what I understand you to say?
- 13 A. Yes. He was just using that as a tactic to scare
- 14 Dr. Mike.
- 15 Q. Okay. And what -- whether or not it actually scared him,
- 16 | it was intended to try to speed up with the process, wasn't it?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. I mean, you weren't just saying that just to be expending
- 19 ||air?
- 20 A. No. Absolutely not, sir.
- 21 Q. There was some questions about forfeitures and what you
- 22 have forfeited or not forfeited. Do you have any drug proceeds
- 23 | left that have not been forfeited the U.S. government?
- 24 A. Zero.
- 25 |Q. And I believe you indicated that you are running a

- 1 | business. How did you get that business started?
- 2 | A. Yes. I have three private loans for that business.
- 3 |Q. Okay. And pursuant to your plea agreement, were you
- 4 | required to forfeit all of your drug proceeds?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 ||Q. And you've done so?
- 7 | A. Yes, I have, sir.
- 8 Q. There were questions about Calvin Robinson getting life,
- 9 | a life sentence and whether that startled you, I guess, or
- 10 scared you to some extent, right?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. When did you find out about Calvin Robinson getting a
- 13 ||life sentence?
- 14 A. This was probably about a year after he got arrested.
- 15 |Q. Which would have been when?
- 16 A. Excuse me, sir? Oh, probably about 1990.
- 17 \mathbb{Q} . And you continued to be involved after that; did you not?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Okay. And certainly Claude Duboc continued to be
- 20 ||involved after that?
- 21 A. Yes, he did.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . Roger Darmon continued to be involved after that?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And, in fact, after that, John Knock was involved in
- 25 | helping you try to collect money?

- 1 A. Yes, he was.
- 2 Q. So despite the fact that it may have been startling?
- 3 | A. We kept going.
- 4 Q. You kept going?
- 5 A. We kept going.
- 6 Q. And, in fact, Mr. Madrid was involved after that time,
- 7 |right?
- 8 A. Yes, he was, sir.
- 9 Q. And a fellow named Ricard Buxton, Wizard, he was involved 10 for many years; was he not?
- 11 A. Yes, he was.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . And continued to be involved up and through the '90s?
- MR. DAAR: Objection, beyond the scope.
- 14 | THE COURT: Well, it's leading.
- MR. HANKINSON: I'll rephrase the question.
- Q. Well, when did you know that Richard Buxton was first
- 17 ||involved?
- 18 MR. DAAR: Objection, beyond the scope.
- 19 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 20 A. When he approached Gary in re. the possibility of putting
- 21 | a project together with Claude and John Knock.
- 22 Q. And when was that?
- 23 A. Sorry for the years. There is just too many years here.
- 24 In 1985, 1986, approximately.
- 25 $\|Q$. And when was Buxton last involved that you know about?

- 1 A. When he assisted me in picking up the three million
- 2 dollars from Gary Vance's boys.
- Q. When was that?
- 4 A. Approximately July or August of 1988.
- 5 Q. So whether he was involved in the loads after that you
- 6 | are not aware?
- 7 A. I'm not aware of.
- 8 Q. But he was certainly involved back in 1985?
- 9 A. Yes, he was.
- 10 Q. Now, you had indicated that Claude Duboc tended to keep
- 11 | things secret from various people, right?
- 12 | A. Yes.
- 13 Q. So if -- if he was working with one offload crew -- would
- 14 | he necessarily tell the other offload crew that he is involved?
- 15 A. No, he'd not.
- 16 \mathbb{Q} . If he was dealing with Sonya Vacca as an offloader, is he
- 17 | necessarily going to tell you that?
- 18 A. No.
- 19 Q. Is he necessarily going to tell you what Mr. Madrid is
- 20 | doing?
- 21 | A. No.
- 22 Q. Or vice-versa? Would he tell Mr. Madrid what you are
- 23 ||doing?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. The -- let's -- I want to clarify the timing that you

- 1 talked about, you trying to collect money from Dr. Mike. The
- 2 | 20 million dollars. And you indicated that on at least one
- 3 | occasion, Mr. Madrid participated in that with you.
- 4 Was that before or after Claude Duboc's arrest?
- 5 $\|A$. After.
- 6 Q. So if Mr. Duboc was arrested in March of '94, it was
- 7 | after that date?
- 8 A. I believe so.
- 9 Q. Okay. And there was discussion about you taking some of
- 10 the Duboc money, the five million dollars that was sent to
- 11 Morocco. And I think Mr. Daar elicited from you that Madrid
- 12 | had encouraged you to do that, right?
- 13 | A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And when was that? In terms of Mr. Duboc's arrest, when
- 15 | was that?
- 16 A. Afterwards.
- 17 $\|Q$. And at that point, in fact, did you know that Mr. Duboc
- 18 was cooperating against you?
- 19 A. No, I did not.
- 20 \mathbb{Q} . When did you find out that Duboc was cooperating?
- 21 A. Yes, we did find out, I believe through -- the Nelsons
- 22 | had told me that he was cooperating, I think.
- 23 Q. So when you decided to take Claude Duboc's five million
- 24 | dollars -- with Mr. Madrid's encouragement -- that is after you
- 25 knew that Mr. Duboc was in custody and cooperating against you,

- 1 | right?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- Q. I believe Mr. Darr elicited from you that at some point
- 4 | in time you were romantically involved with Mr. Madrid?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 |Q. And, in fact, discussed marijuana?
- 7 A. Uh-huh. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you certainly didn't come in here to try and do
- 9 unfair prejudice to Mr. Madrid, did you?
- 10 | A. No.
- 11 \mathbb{Q} . And did you come in here to try to unfairly accuse John
- 12 | Knock of things he didn't do?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. You've done the best that you could to tell the truth?
- A. To the best of my ability, yes.
- Q. And let me just get one last thing clear. There has been
- 17 | discussion about Duboc arranging the source and providing the
- money. Back in 1987, when you were dealing with Knock and
- Duboc, how did you understand their respective roles?
- 20 A. They were both -- Duboc and John Knock were the two
- 21 people that were running this whole company.
- 22 Q. Okay. Did you know what -- did they have it
- compartmentalized as to who was supposed to do what?
- A. I didn't know then. But definitely Claude is the
- 25 | financier.

And did you -- later as through the years found out what 1 Mr. Knock's role was? If Duboc was the financier, what was 2 3 Mr. Knock's role? He was the one pretty much working with the people that 4 5 would put the projects together. 6 Ο. Logistics? I don't know. Okay. The hands-on work? 8 Q. 9 Α. Hands-on work. Yes. 10 MR. HANKINSON: If I can have just a moment, Your 11 Honor. 12 THE COURT: Uh-huh. 13 MR. HANKINSON: That is all that I have, Your Honor. 14 THE COURT: Thank you, ma'am. MR. DAAR: May this witness be subject to recall, 15 16 Your Honor? 17 THE COURT: You may step down subject to recall. 18 You folks can go to lunch. One o'clock, please. Remember not to discuss the case among yourselves or with 19 20 anyone. 21 (Jury out.) 22 MR. HANKINSON: Could we let her remain for a second. 23 We need to discuss something related to her so I think she 24 probably needs to hear what is said. 25 May I proceed?

1 THE COURT: Sure. 2 I understood Mr. Daar to say he MR. HANKINSON: wanted the witness to stay subject to recall. Certainly if 3 they want to recall her in their case, that is fine. 4 But I don't think it's reasonable to leave 5 6 Ms. Roberts here for two weeks while we finish our case. what I want to do is allow her to leave. If they want to make 7 8 transportation arrangements to pay her way back, that is up to them. But I don't think it is reasonable to make her stay here 9 for two or three weeks while we finish up our case. 10 11 MR. DAAR: Your Honor, we wanted her available. Absent the ability to re-cross, sometimes there are things that 12 we want to bring in our case when we put our case on. 13 certainly don't want to keep her here for two weeks, especially 14 15 given the break. 16 If she would be willing to make herself available, we 17 would make the arrangements. 18 THE COURT: You all just give her some notification 19 and arrange for her to get here. 20 MR. DAAR: Okay. 21 THE COURT: Or whatever is required; housing and so 22 Thank you, ma'am. 23 What does your afternoon look like? 24 MR. HANKINSON: We've got a good one planned. 25 THE COURT: How long are we working? Do you have

enough for all afternoon? 1 2 MR. DAVIES: Maybe not. The next witness my direct will take an hour, an hour and a half. 3 THE COURT: Okay. Who is it? MR. DAVIES: Marshall Way. 5 6 THE COURT: Thank you all. Is there some time that you are 7 MR. HANKINSON: needing to be finished by, Your Honor? THE COURT: I don't need to be. Just whenever we are through I'm leaving town. 10 11 MR. HANKINSON: Okay. 12 (Recess taken.) 13 THE COURT: Got a note from a juror. If you all want 14 to come up it might be easier. Really involves Mr. Daar. of you. 15 16 It says, unfortunately I now realize I may have worked on a case involving Randy Daar. When Ms. Roberts said 17 18 Randy, a light came on and it started coming back to me. 19 I worked as a private investigator for Virginia 20 Snyder of Delray Beach. And I believe the case was for Judge question mark. I can't recall for sure if this is the case. 21 This was around 85, '86. And I believe we met in person maybe 22 23 two times. I have not had any contact with Mr. Darr since that 24 25 time. And as you can see, barely remember him.

This is assuming that it's the same person. I can't say for sure. Mr. Daar would have known me as Diane Darby.

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I have not told my fellow jurors, and do not feel this in any way will affect my impartiality. Quite frankly, I'm shocked at this revelation and sincerely wish I had realized this during voir dire.

I apologize for any disruption or inconvenience this may cause. Diane Craig.

MR. DAAR: Small world. Especially for me being 3,000 miles away.

MR. HANKINSON: Can we talk this over?
THE COURT: Uh-huh.

MR. HANKINSON: Judge, the government's position would be to ask that she be stricken. Although what she says doesn't give ground for cause, that would come up, you know, prior, it certainly would have been a significant factor in our exercise of peremptory challenges.

And as the Court is aware, you know, we had peremptory challenges left. And, you know, I don't say with a hundred percent certainty, but I think that would have certainly been something that concerned us and may well have been a -- something we would have exercised peremptory challenges, having had personal contact with one of the defense attorneys is, you know, a significant factor, I think, particularly in a professional capacity relating to apparently

a criminal case, I would assume; is that correct?

MR. DAAR: That's correct.

Well, to respond. From my perspective, Your Honor, one, obviously, the -- whatever memory I have is worthless.

But, whatever memory she has is very, very, very slight memory, with days of sitting looking at me in the courtroom, listening to voir dire, it's only now that this ancient memory is triggered.

She was a minor participant in that investigative agency. And the main investigator was Virginia Snyder. I worked extensively with and maybe met this woman once or twice. Certainly there is no evidence whatsoever that there is any bias or inability for her to do her job as a juror. If we go back to now -- to what in terms of how challenges get exercised, we can't go back there now. It is not fair. We can't start selecting the jury again.

THE COURT: Government.

MR. KENNEDY: I concur with Mr. Darr. I think the woman has expressed herself honestly, from an honest recollection. And this will not affect her in any way. If you have any doubt about that, Judge, I simply commend you talking to her in camera to satisfy yourself of that.

MR. HANKINSON: Judge, I'm not -- I'm not suggesting that she has expressed bias. I think she has said that she is not. But it's something that she didn't reveal, you know, and

I'm not suggesting with any ill motives. Apparently it's just something that didn't hit her until now.

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But I'm concerned that she might at this point, based on her prior professional work, view herself as an ally of Mr. Daar's based on the fact that they had been, you know, working together before.

And, you know, that is something that we didn't know when we were picking the jury. We now know it, and I think, you know, it's appropriate to let her go. And we've got four alternates -- we picked four alternates because things happen during the course of the trial. And I just think, you know, pretty confident that we -- she'd not be on this jury had we known that at the time.

MR. DAAR: Your Honor, it's pretty clear, and I don't think anyone is disputing the fact that she did not know nor did she withhold any information during the voir dire process. She gave honest answers. She said that she was a private investigator. She said that she worked on cases and the prosecutor knows that private investigators work on the defense side of cases. They had that information. And they chose to leave her on the jury.

Now, she has revealed this in a prompt manner. She's stated absolutely that it would have no influence. There is no cause, Your Honor.

In order to remove this juror, there would have to be

cause. And you would have to feel this revelation would in 1 2 some way prejudice the government or the Government's case. 3 I mean, I think the government perhaps or the Court 4 could voir dire her in camera out of the presence of the other jurors and satisfy themselves that that brief contact in 1986 5 or 1987 doesn't have an affect on her ability to remain an 6 7 impartial juror. 8 THE COURT: Any additional? 9 MR. HANKINSON: No, sir. 10 THE COURT: Take a couple of minutes. 11 (Brief recess taken.) 12

THE COURT: Be seated, please. Any additional argument by anyone?

MR. HANKINSON: No, sir. Your Honor.

MR. DAAR: No, Your Honor.

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MR. KENNEDY: No, thank you, sir.

THE COURT: I'm of the opinion that there is insufficient basis to remove her at this time, even though the government did not have the opportunity to exercise one of their peremptory challenges.

The case law I found says that is not sufficient at this stage of the proceedings absent an actual showing of cause. Now, if you wish to bring her in and we make inquiry beyond her note, that is fine with me too. We'll give you that opportunity.

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MR. HANKINSON: No, sir. I'd rather leave it alone.
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                THE COURT: Does the defense wish to make an inquiry
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      of the juror?
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                MR. DAAR: No, Your Honor.
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                MR. KENNEDY: No, Your Honor.
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                THE COURT: Then we are ready to go. Jury in,
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      please.
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                                 (Jury in.)
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                THE COURT: You folks just be seated, please.
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                If you would call your witness.
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                MR. DAVIES: Marshall Way.
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                             (Witness sworn.)
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                THE CLERK: Please be seated.
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                For the record please state your name and spell your
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      last name.
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                THE WITNESS: My name is Marshall Way. W-A-Y.
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                            DIRECT EXAMINATION
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      BY MR. DAVIES:
            Mr. Way, would you please tell the ladies and gentlemen
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      how old you are?
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            I'm 53.
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      Q.
            What is your level of education?
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      A.
            I have one year of college.
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      Q.
            Where are you from?
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            Philadelphia.
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- 1 Q. Were you charged with intent to distribute marijuana and
- 2 money laundering?
- 3 | A. Yes.
- 4 Q. Where were you prosecuted for those crimes?
- 5 A. In San Francisco.
- 6 ||Q. And did you enter a plea agreement?
- 7 A. Yes, I did.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . Did your plea agreement require that you testify
- 9 truthfully about your prior drug trafficking and who you were
 10 involved with?
- 11 | MR. DAAR: Objection.
- 12 | THE COURT: Sustained at this stage.
- 13 \mathbb{Q} . What were the terms of the plea agreement?
- 14 | A. That I --
- MR. DAAR: Objection.
- 16 A. Testify as to my prior activities, if necessary.
- 17 Q. What sentence did you receive on your case?
- 18 A. I spent 17 months in jail; a year of house arrest.
- 19 Q. Pursuant to your plea agreement, did you also forfeit
- your drug-related assets to the government?
- 21 | A. I did.
- 22 Q. Are you working now?
- 23 A. Yes, I am.
- Q. Would you tell the jury where you are working.
- 25 A. I work for a health and social services agency in

- 1 | California.
- 2 Q. What do you do?
- 3 A. They call it special projects. I'm kind of a
- 4 || jack-of-all-trades in the office.
- 5 Q. Do you know John Knock?
- 6 A. I do.
- 7 Q. Do you see him here in court?
- 8 A. I do.
- 9 Q. Would you point him out for the record, please?
- 10 A. He's at the table over there.
- 11 Q. Which end of the table?
- 12 A. He is in the middle.
- 13 Q. Is he wearing the tie?
- 14 | A. No.
- MR. DAVIES: Your Honor, would the record reflect
- 16 that the witness identified John Knock.
- 17 Q. Would you tell the ladies and gentlemen of the jury when
- 18 || you met Mr. Knock?
- 19 $\|A$. Sometime in the early '70s.
- 20 |Q. Where did you meet John Knock?
- 21 | A. Somewhere in Marin County, California.
- 22 ||Q. Where is Marin County in California?
- 23 A. Just north of San Francisco.
- Q. What was your relationship with him when you met him then
- 25 || in the '70s.

- 1 ||A. Just a casual associate.
- 2 Q. Do you know who Richard Ezidro is?
- 3 | A. I do.
- 4 \mathbb{Q} . Do you know if Mr. Ezidro and Mr. Knock knew each other?
- 5 A. I believe that they did.
- 6 |Q. Was Mr. Ezidro involved in narcotics?
- 7 A. I believe he was.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . Were you selling any drugs back then?
- 9 | A. I was.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . What type?
- 11 A. Marijuana.
- 12 Q. What quantities were you selling back then?
- 13 A. Probably ten, twenty pounds.
- 14 Q. Did there come a time when you were involved in
- 15 trafficking drugs with John Knock?
- 16 A. There did.
- 17 Q. And when was that?
- 18 A. Probably in the mid or so '80s.
- 19 \mathbb{Q} . Where was that?
- 20 A. In Marin County, California.
- 21 \mathbb{Q} . What did you do with John Knock in relation to drug
- 22 activity in Marin County in the mid '80s?
- A. I received some marijuana from him and sold it.
- Q. And how did it come about that you started doing that
- 25 ||with him?

- A. I ran into him one day and asked him if he had any work
- 2 for me.
- Q. What did he tell you?
- 4 A. He said, yes.
- 5 Q. And he started supplying you with marijuana that you
- 6 sold?
- 7 A. That's correct.
- 8 Q. What quantities were you selling to John Knock back then
- 9 | in marijuana?
- 10 A. I think it was about 500 pounds or so.
- 11 \mathbb{Q} . How would you get marijuana from Mr. Knock? Would you
- 12 explain to the jury how that would work.
- 13 A. He delivered it to me.
- 14 Q. Where would he make the deliveries to you?
- 15 A. To his storage space out there.
- 16 Q. Do you remember what type of vehicle he was driving back
- 17 | then?
- 18 A. Pickup truck.
- 19 Q. Would you pay him for the marijuana when he delivered it
- 20 to you?
- 21 A. I received it on credit.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . So once you sold it you had to pay John Knock what you
- 23 | owed him?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. And for about how many seasons did this go on that you

- got marijuana in those quantities from John Knock and sold it
- 2 | for him in Marin County?
- 3 A. Maybe only one, possibly two.
- 4 Q. Did you stay in touch with John Knock after that?
- 5 A. Yes, I did.
- 6 Q. And what was the nature of you-all's relationship?
- 7 A. We were casual friends.
- 8 Q. Did there come a time after that time in Marin County
- 9 when you were involved again with Mr. Knock in trafficking
- 10 | drugs?
- 11 A. Yes, there was.
- 12 Q. Approximately when was that?
- 13 A. In the latter '80s.
- 14 Q. What was that about? Tell the jury what happened that
- 15 ||time.
- 16 A. Similar situation. I ran into him. I asked him if he
- 17 knew of any work that I could get. And he said yes.
- 18 Q. And what happened after that?
- 19 A. I went up to Vancouver and picked up a quantity of
- 20 | hashish.
- 21 | Q. Mr. Way, do you know who Al Madrid is?
- 22 A. I do.
- 23 Q. Do you see Al Madrid here in court?
- 24 | A. I do.
- 25 |Q. Would you identify him for the record, please?

- 1 A. He's at the end of the table.
- 2 Q. Is he wearing a tie?
- 3 A. No. He is not.
- 4 MR. DAVIES: Would the record reflect that the
- 5 | witness identified Al Madrid.
- 6 THE COURT: Yes.
- Q. Was Al Madrid around with John Knock during this time period?
- 9 A. I had seen them together, yes.
- 10 \mathbb{Q} . Would you describe the area you said John Knock sold you
- 11 hash in Vancouver? Would you describe the area where you went
- 12 to him to get the hashish?
- 13 A. It was a rural area north of Vancouver.
- 14 Q. Can you describe the housing or the structure that -- the
- area where you got hashish from John Knock?
- 16 A. It was a small farm type property.
- 17 Q. About how much hashish did you get from Mr. Knock?
- 18 A. Approximately a dozen pounds.
- 19 |Q. Sorry?
- 20 A. Approximately a dozen pounds.
- 21 Q. And in this rural area where you got it from Mr. Knock,
- were there any other people around Mr. Knock when he gave you
- 23 | the hashish to sell?
- 24 A. There were a couple of older gentlemen.
- 25 Q. Did you ever get their names?

- 1 A. No, I did not.
- 2 Q. Was this the same arrangement? You didn't pay for the
- 3 hashish when you got it, but after you sold it you had to pay
- 4 Mr. Knock?
- 5 A. That's correct.
- 6 Q. Did you sell that thousand pounds of hashish?
- 7 A. I did.
- 8 Q. Do you recall who you sold it to?
- 9 A. To a man I knew, Eric.
- 10 Q. How did you know Eric?
- 11 A. From the area where I lived in Marin County.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . Did you have any more dealings with John Knock up in the
- 13 | Vancouver area?
- 14 A. No, I did not.
- 15 \mathbb{Q} . Do you know any places where Mr. Knock had residences
- 16 | back then at that time?
- 17 A. Certain period of time he was living in Sonoma County,
- California, which was just north of Marin. And at some point
- 19 | he had moved to Hawaii.
- 20 \mathbb{Q} . Did he have a house in Hawaii that he lived in?
- 21 A. I believe so, yes.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . After getting the hashish from John Knock in Vancouver in
- 23 the late '80s, did you keep in touch with John Knock after
- 24 | that?
- 25 A. I did.

- 1 Q. What was the nature of your relationship with him?
- 2 A. Casual friendship.
- Q. Was there ever a time after that that you were involved
- 4 | in collecting drug money at John Knock's request?
- 5 A. There was.
- 6 Q. When was that?
- 7 $\|A$. That was in late 1992.
- 8 \mathbb{Q} . Well, how did that start up that you got involved in
- 9 | collecting the money at John Knock's request?
- 10 A. Once again I called on John and asked him if he knew of
- 11 any work that I could get.
- 12 Q. Where was this?
- 13 A. This was in Hawaii.
- 14 $\|Q$. Do you recall what island?
- 15 A. It was on Oahu.
- 16 Q. The state of Hawaii is actually several different
- 17 | islands?
- 18 A. That's correct.
- 19 Q. Okay. So you go over to see John Knock in Oahu?
- 20 A. That's correct.
- 21 Q. Ask him if he had any work?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And what happened?
- A. He said no, he didn't. He was no longer in the business.
- Q. And what happened after that?

- A. A week or two later he called me and told me there was a
- 2 possibility that he could find some work for me.
- Q. Did he say why he could find work for you?
- 4 A. He just mentioned that someone had had a problem and
- 5 there was an opening for a job.
- Q. And where was this that he had this conversation with
- 7 you? Was it on Oahu?
- 8 A. No, it was on the Island of Kauai.
- 9 Q. Is that where you were vacationing?
- 10 A. Yes, it was.
- 11 Q. So he tracked you down and came to where you were
- vacationing and said that he might have work for you?
- 13 A. That's correct.
- 14 Q. Did John Knock explain what your role would be with
- 15 regard to that work?
- 16 A. He told me I would be collecting money.
- 17 Q. Did you have any conversations with Mr. Knock about
- whether you wanted to do that right away or not?
- 19 A. I asked him if it would be possible to put it off a week
- or so, two, so I could be around for my son's birthday.
- 21 Q. When is your son's birthday, by the way?
- 22 A. August 3rd.
- 23 Q. And when you told Mr. Knock you would like to put it off
- for a week or two so you could be around your son's birthday,
- what did Mr. Knock say?

- 1 A. He said he thought that would be all right.
- 2 \mathbb{Q} . After you all agreed to that, did Mr. Knock direct you to
- 3 go anywhere?
- 4 A. Yes. I was directed to go to Montreal.
- 5 Q. Did you go up to Montreal?
- 6 ||A. I did.
- Q. And what happened -- and when did you get up to Montreal?
- 8 A. Approximately late August.
- 9 \mathbb{Q} . What happened when you got up to Montreal?
- 10 A. I met a couple of Canadian gentlemen who I spoke of
- 11 ||collecting money with, and they gave me a cellular phone.
- 12 Q. What names did those two folks go by?
- 13 A. Louis and Snake.
- 14 Q. Once they gave you the cell phone, did you get any calls
- on your cell phone?
- 16 A. Yes. I immediately started receiving calls from
- 17 Mr. Duboc.
- 18 Q. Do you know his first name?
- 19 A. Claude.
- 20 \mathbb{Q} . What would Claude Duboc call you about?
- 21 A. He instructed me how I was to go on the collection of the
- 22 money.
- 23 \mathbb{Q} . Did Claude Duboc have any people helping him that you
- 24 dealt with with regard to the money collection?
- 25 A. Yes, he did.

- 1 Q. Who was that?
- 2 A. Roger Darmon.
- \mathbb{Q} . Who was actually bringing you the money that you
- 4 ||collected?
- 5 A. Workers of the two fellows I initially met.
- 6 \mathbb{Q} . And then who were you -- what were you doing with the
- 7 | money?
- 8 A. I was turning it over to Mr. Darmon.
- 9 Q. Where would you turn the money over to Mr. Roger Darmon
- 10 ||at?
- 11 A. In a hotel room.
- 12 \mathbb{Q} . Just describe for the jury how that would work? How
- would it go that you would meet with Mr. Darmon and turn the
- money over to him?
- A. He'd book a room in a hotel, usually one that had
- underground parking so I could enter underneath and go straight
- 17 to his room and just hand off the money to him.
- 18 Q. When you got the money before you delivered it to
- Mr. Darmon, when you got it from the workers of Louis and the
- 20 other fellow, would you count the money?
- 21 A. No, I did not.
- 22 \mathbb{Q} . You just turned it over to Mr. Darmon and left it for him
- 23 to make sure that it was accurate?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 |Q. Did Claude Duboc and you ever discuss money couriers or

- when money couriers would need to be there to pick up the
- 2 | money?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. You would. Would you tell the jury how that would work?
- 5 A. He would call me on the cellular phone and tell me when
- 6 the couriers would arrive.
- 7 Q. Claude Duboc would?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Go ahead.
- 10 A. And then I would get in touch with the people who had the
- money and make arrangements for them to deliver it normally the
- 12 | very day I needed it.
- 13 Q. And how big -- or what was this money contained in when
- 14 | you got the money and then you delivered it to Mr. Darmon?
- 15 A. Usually came in cardboard boxes. And I transferred it
- 16 into luggage to take to the hotel.
- 17 Q. How much luggage would you take to Mr. Darmon?
- 18 A. One or two large bags.
- 19 Q. Just approximately, how much would they weigh? How much
- weight are we talking about of money?
- 21 A. Sometimes they were pretty heavy. 70, 80 pounds on
- 22 occasion.
- 23 Q. After you had been dealing with Roger Darmon, did there
- 24 come a time when you started dealing directly with the money
- 25 ||couriers?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And how did that come about?
- A. Claude called me and told me that Roger was unavailable
- 4 and would I mind handing the money off directly to the
- 5 | couriers.
- 6 Q. What did you say?
- 7 A. I agreed.
- 8 $\|Q$. And who did you start dealing with after that?
- 9 A. A woman by the name of Sonia Vacca.
- 10 Q. Once you started dealing with Sonia Vacca, did you have
- 11 any more dealings with Roger Darmon?
- 12 A. Almost never after that.
- 13 Q. Where would you deliver money to Sonya Vacca?
- 14 A. The same type of arrangement. Hotel rooms.
- 15 Q. Same type of quantities?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. During the -- you said you went to Montreal to collect
- this money and to deliver it to Roger Darmon and then later
- 19 Sonia Vacca. Did you stay in Montreal the whole time?
- 20 A. No, I actually based myself out of Toronto.
- 21 Q. Why did you do that?
- A. The gentleman I met in Montreal thought it would be a
- safer, neutral ground to do the money transfer.
- 24 \mathbb{Q} . So most of this money collection that you have been
- 25 describing when you transferred it to Roger Darmon and Sonya

- 1 | Vacca, most of it happened in Toronto?
- 2 A. That's correct.
- Q. During the time that you were in Montreal and Toronto,
- 4 approximately how much money did you deliver to Roger Darmon
- 5 and Ms. Vacca?
- A. I think it was in the vicinity of 17 or 18 million
- 7 dollars.
- 8 Q. About what time of year did you finish up collecting the
- 9 money in Toronto?
- 10 A. Somewhere around Christmas of '92 or early January of
- 11 \| '93.
- 12 Q. Did you get paid for the work you did collecting the
- money and transferring it to the couriers?
- 14 A. I did.
- 15 $\|Q$. And how -- would you explain to the jury the
- 16 circumstances of how you got paid?
- 17 A. I collect the money in New York.
- 18 Q. Who directed you to go to New York?
- 19 A. It was Claude, I believe.
- 20 \mathbb{Q} . So you go to New York and then how was it that you got
- 21 | paid in New York?
- 22 A. I met a man at a restaurant in New York, and handed me
- 23 | the money.
- 24 $\|Q$. When you say New York, the State or New York City?
- 25 A. It was New York City.

- Q. And do you know the name of the man, or at least what he went by, that gave you the money?
- 3 A. He was known as K.C.
- 4 Q. And how much money did K.C. give you?
- A. I think it was in the vicinity of 350, maybe 400 thousand dollars.
- Q. Did you ever collect money and deliver it to couriers in another city?
- 9 A. Yes, I did.
- 10 Q. How did that come about?
- 11 A. Claude contacted me when the job in Toronto was about at
- 12 | its end, and asked me if I would be willing to do a similar
- 13 thing in Vancouver.
- 14 \mathbb{Q} . Did Claude Duboc give any more information about the
- operation in Vancouver, how it was running or anything like
- 16 | that?
- 17 A. Not really.
- 18 Q. Did you agree to go to Vancouver?
- 19 A. I did.
- 20 Q. And when you got to Vancouver, what happened?
- 21 A. I was instructed to meet Al Madrid at a lawyer's office
- 22 | in Vancouver.
- 23 Q. And did you meet Al Madrid at the lawyer's office?
- 24 | A. I did.
- 25 \mathbb{Q} . Was there anybody from the organization -- I don't mean