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	(Thursday, 18 April 2024)	1	A. That's correct.
2	(10.02)	2	Q. We will come back to that shortly, but
3	MR SANTOS: Good morning, sir. We now	3	before we do, we would like to ask you about
4	move on to our next witness, Sergeant Paul	4	your role in the investigation team. Can I ask
	Clarke.	5	you to turn to your first witness statement at
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6	SERGEANT PAUL CLARKE, sworn	6	paragraph 16, please? It is A1059.
7	Questioned by MR SANTOS	7	A. Okay.
8	MR SANTOS: Good morning, Sergeant	8	Q. You say:
9	Clarke.	9	"On 12 April 2019 I was requested by former
10	THE CHAIRMAN: Just make yourself	10	Detective Superintendent Richardson and
11	comfortable.	11	former Detective, now retired Chief
12	A. Thank you. (Pause).	12	Inspector Brian Finlayson to be seconded
13	MR SANTOS: Can I ask you to look at that	13	from Area Response Team 5 for the purpose
14	bundle in front of you. It should have your	14	of Operation Delhi. It was explained at the
15	three statements. Can I just ask you to check	15	time that Detective Sergeant Neil Zammit
16	that the first statement is your first statement	16	was the OIC."
17	to this inquiry and then to check that your	17	From that point onwards were you working
18	signature is on the final page, please.	18	on Op Delhi full time?
19	A. It is, yes.	19	A. I was. From that point onwards, so that's
20	Q. And do you confirm that the contents of	20	before the initial arrests of the Op Delhi
21	that statement are true to the best of your	21	defendants were made. My role at that point
22	knowledge, information and belief?	22	was to analyse data then building up towards
23	A. I do, yes.	23	the date of the initial arrests to help formulate
24	Q. Thank you. Can I ask you to do the same	24	and plan interviews, then to assist with the
25	for the second statement, please? (Pause).	25	search on one of the Op Delhi defendants and
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2	signature on the back page.	2	the interviews of the defendants on the day.
3	Q. Thank you. And do you confirm that the	3	And subsequently from that point onwards I
4	contents of that statement are true to the best	4	was working on Operation Delhi almost full
5	of your knowledge, information and belief?	5	time for a period of about 18 months.
6	A. Yes, I do.	6	Q. Who did you report to?
7	Q. Thank you. And now can we do the same	7	A. I reported directly to Mr Wyan at the
8	for the third statement, please? (Pause).	8	time, Inspector Wyan.
9	A. Yes, that is my signed third statement,		
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2	Mr Richardson would decide how to go there	2	Mr Wyan, yes.
3	and Mr Wyan would decide how to do it and	3	Q. Thank you. We have managed to match
4	then from there I was mainly given tasks by	4	it up with a draft of the charging advice
5	Mr Wyan and on occasion generally, in	5	report dated 24 March at B3612, if you just
6	Mr Wyan's absence, by Mr Richardson	6	go to that briefly. (Pause). This is
7	directly.	7	a charging advice which was eventually sent
8	Q. Were you involved in the decision on	8	by Superintendent Richardson and Wyan to
9	whether to seek a warrant or were you simply	9	the DPP. And, as I say, some of the
10	instructed to apply for a warrant?	10	references in your notes to paragraph
11	A. I was not involved in the decision	11	numbers appear to refer to paragraph
12	whether to seek a search warrant or any	12	numbers in this document.
13	decision against the course of action to take	13	A. Yes.
14	against Mr Levy. However, I was instructed	14	Q. We have heard from Mr Wyan that this
15	to apply for the search warrant. However, I	15	meeting took place and that there was
16	had to be clear in my mind, I had the belief	16	a discussion of the content of the charging
17	that the evidence was there in my mind	17	advice report with Mr McGrail. Do you
18	before I made the application. It wasn't	18	recall discussing the content of the charging
19	a case of go and get a search warrant and	19	advice report?
20	offer to do it. I had to formulate the plan and	20	A. I do, yes. This meeting for me was rather
21	the belief in my mind prior to making the	21	unusual, and I mean that by being asked by
22	application to the magistrate.	22	the actual Commissioner, being a fairly
23	Q. Were you present at the discussions or	23	newly promoted sergeant, to discuss the case,
24	involved in the discussions as to whether to	24	obviously a case of this complexity and this
25	obtain a warrant?	25	grandeur merited it. But by this point in
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2	over the last week or so hearing the evidence,	2	been on bail for almost a year and had just
3	there was a lot of meetings and a lot of	1 2	
4		3	been re-bailed again. We were at the point of
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3	as I recall, for a schedule 1 search warrant,	3	I should have said that that was in response
4	and definitely not to this detail and this	4	to a question by the Inquiry that asked what
5	complexity.	5	the basis for the conclusion at 322 of the
6	Q. Can we now turn to A1430, please. This	6	application, what was the basis for that
7	is Mr Richardson's third witness statement	7	conclusion that the material did not include
8	and I just want to show you paragraph 25	8	any legal privilege material.
9	where Mr Richardson states that he asked	9	A. Mm.
10	you to seek advice from DI Goldwyn as	10	Q. Is it correct that the statement and the
11	inspector Wyan was off sick.	11	information was based on a template
12	A. Yes.	12	prepared by Mr Wyan?
13	Q. Do you seek such advice from Detective	13	A. The information, no. And the statement
14	Inspector Goldwyn?	14	being a template, yes and no. If I turn to the
15	A. I did. Um, prior to the end of April 2020	15	warrant itself I can explain you what parts
16	I was asked by Mr Wyan to start preparing	16	would be a template and what parts I would
17	the search warrant. I know in my statement I	17	have completed (inaudible).
18	said it was Mr Richardson, but in hindsight, I	18	Q. Do you mean the information?
19	took a period of annual leave and then	19	A. The information, yes.
20	Mr Wyan was in Covid isolation for a period	20	Q. Yes. We will turn to that.
21	of 14 days, I think it was then. So	21	A. Okay.
22	Mr Richardson asked me to continue with the	22	Q. Just to ask about the templates, had you
23	application. And Mr Goldwyn at the time	23	been given any training on how to use the
24	was head of the Economic Crime Unit and	24	template?
25	his unit would be himself and other officers	25	A. Not at all as far as I can recall, no.
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over 38 pages, if Mr Peter wanted me to read 1 just for my benefit. 2 2 the whole document as he had it in advance Q. Can we look at 2905, please, and at the 3 3 bottom of the page on necessity, under the or give him the personal points, I made 4 4 reference to paragraph numbers, etc, within heading "Necessity", you say: 5 this document. And it was purely for my 5 "DPP, CoP and detective superintendent 6 benefit. It wasn't meant to be used for any 6 consulted with who recommend the course of 7 7 action. It is necessary to execute these search official purpose. 8 Q. So are you saying that it was a sort of 8 warrants to seize devices and inform Levy 9 9 preparatory note for the hearing? Is that our intention to interview him. Levy will not 10 10 what you are saying? be arrested." 11 11 A. Um, there's no, as far as I am concerned, In this note it appears that you are recording 12 no right or wrong way to draft an information 12 that the DPP had recommended the course of 13 for a search warrant. It's effectively a blank 13 action. Was that your understanding? 14 14 page. Um, it took, obviously with the A. No, not at all. This is, if you like, 15 15 subjects of the search warrants and the nature a two-step note. Now, obviously the initial 16 16 of the offences and the length of the arrests of the subjects came in 10 May 2000 17 17 investigation, it took me a long time to and ... May. Sorry, 10 May 2019, followed 18 consider, one, to what extent do I lay the 18 by Mr Sanchez on 14 May 2019 as he had 19 19 information, in how much detail I go to, and been in England. Now as time went on, 20 20 Mr Levy was a person of interest in the other considerations such as that. So I made 2.1 various notes and there are various drafts and 21 investigation, but it wasn't up until, if 22 22 revisions of the original warrant, but then it memory serves me correctly, April 2020 he 23 23 ended up being based upon the latest actually became a suspect. Now, in 24 24 charging advice which was compiled by January 2020, up until that point, myself and 25 25 Mr Wyan with my assistance, but not a copy Mr Wyan didn't work in the same office. Page 13 Page 15 1 and paste. It told, it gave full disclosure of 1 After a forced restructure we were provided 2 what happened, the other arrests of the 2 an office where we could work together and 3 3 subjects, the background, people involved, within that office there was a whiteboard 4 and in my thoughts at the time it met the duty 4 where we would record actions and complete 5 5 of candour, it gave as full disclosure as I them by day. But two initials ... or initials on 6 possibly could and as I possibly considered 6 that board, which had been there since 7 7 necessary at that point. January onwards, were JR and finally I was 8 8 Q. I probably was not clear enough in my told that the Commissioner and 9 9 question, but my question was more aimed at superintendent and DPP had authorised or 10 10 knowing whether this document was one that recommended that he is now a suspect and 11 you used in your preparation for drafting 11 we can take a course of action against him, 12 information or rather in your preparation for 12 and not necessarily that course of action to be 13 the hearing itself. 13 a search warrant. That was a decision made 14 A. So, it was for both. It was for drafting 14 by Mr Richardson and Mr Wyan. 15 information and then I would have taken it to 15 Q. So is it your position that actually that 16 16 the hearing. I didn't use it at the hearing -reference is to his status as a suspect? 17 17 Q. Yes. A. Absolutely, yes. To take executive action 18 18 A. -- because I just read it. against him as a suspect rather than a witness 19 19 Q. Understood. 20 20 Q. Is that notwithstanding that the second A. By I would have taken it if I needed 21 21 sentence of that paragraph, which says: prompts or the magistrate didn't want to hear 22 22 "It is necessary to execute these search the full information at that point. 23 23 Q. Did you send this document to anybody? warrants to seize devices and inform Levy of 24 24 A. As far as I can recall, no. It was just, um, our intention to interview him"? 25 it was saved in our shared drive, but it was 25 A. Yes, absolutely. A decision was made to Page 14 Page 16

1 treat him as a suspect and then the decision	1 was involved in the plan to remove the
2 by, a tactical decision by, or strategic, sorry,	2 NSCIS contract from Bland at an early
3 Mr Richardson was to execute search	3 stage."
4 warrants against Mr Levy. So action would	4 And then you set out the five reasons or the
5 be taken against him, then it would be	5 sort of five grounds that you set out in
6 subsequently by way of search warrants as	6 support of that statement.
7 decided by Mr Richardson.	7 A. Mm.
8 Q. What was your understanding as to the	8 Q. If we can now go to 322, please, this is
9 DPP's position in respect of the search	9 a section with a heading that says: "There is
10 warrants?	material that consists of special procedure
11 A. My understanding was I attended	11 material or includes" sorry. 322, yes,
12 a couple of meetings prior to the search	12 thank you.
13 warrants with the DPP and I think I attended	13 "There is material that consists of special
14 four meetings prior. But in this case, as with	14 procedure material or includes special
other cases, I have had cause to meet the	procedure material and does not also include
16 OCP about, they will advise on evidence to	excluded material on premises specified in
17 charge, they will advise on offences, but they	17 the application."
will not advise on operational decisions.	Just reading the second paragraph, you say
19 And that is a stance they take throughout, not	that the material sought does not include any
20 just for this investigation, throughout. So I	20 excluded material. And then in the third
21 have learnt subsequently the DPP may have	21 paragraph:
22 made comments, but I was at no point told in	22 "The material sought consists of
23 the positive or the negative his views in	communications between the subjects of this
24 relation to the obtaining of search warrants	24 application. This would not be classified as
25 for Mr Levy.	25 legally privileged material. The material
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1 MR WAGNER: Could the witness just	1 does not, however, consist of anything which
2 speak just a tiny bit more slowly? I am very	2 could be regarded as excluded material."
3 sorry.	3 And then four lines from the bottom:
4 A. I'm sorry. I apologise.	4 "The material sought is not and does not
5 MR WAGNER: Thank you.	5 contain any legal privileged material.
6 THE CHAIRMAN: If it is a mannerism, it is	6 However, it is understood legally privileged
7 difficult for him to alter it, but I agree, you	7 material may be present on digital devices
8 are speaking very fast.	8 which will be seized."
9 A. I will try and slow down, sir, thank you.	9 What was your understanding as to why the
10 MR SANTOS: We have heard the evidence	10 material sought was not privileged?
of Superintendent Richardson and DI Wyan	11 A. From the evidence we had obtained
that the DPP had expressed a preference for	12 through the 13 months of investigation up to
13 a production order rather than a search	13 that point, or certainly as far as I was
warrant. Were you ever made aware of that	14 involved, was Mr Levy was not acting
15 preference?	basically as a lawyer for the Operation Delhi
16 A. No, the first time I heard of that	defendants. He was acting, um, with the
preference would have been Wednesday or	evidence we had, as a co-conspirator for the
18 Thursday of last week.	18 criminal offence. Therefore, there would be
19 Q. Now can we, please, turn to the	19 legally privileged material on his devices,
20 information, B3243. This is the final	20 which I have covered, because he is a lawyer
21 substantive paragraph of the information	21 and has other business, but the specific
22 which appears to draw the threads together	22 material we sought, or I sought in this
22 which appears to draw the threads together 23 from the preceding paragraphs. And the	23 warrant, was communications between the
1 61 61	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
25 "The above paragraphs demonstrate Levy	25 a criminal purpose and therefore excluded
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1	from legal privilege regardless.	1	made by a legal representative, which I
2	Q. Was your understanding that it was	2	believe was of Mr Levy's choice or he would
3	lawful to search Mr Levy's devices, which	3	have been given the option of such.
4	might well contain privileged material, if the	4	Q. If we can now go down to paragraph 324,
5	material that was of interest to you was not	5	please, we can see there the heading:
6	privileged?	6	"Other methods of obtaining the material
7	A. Yes, absolutely. Um, section, I think it is	7	have not been tried because it appeared they
8	29(4) of the CPEA covers what is known in	8	were bound to fail."
9	England as seize and sift. We can seize	9	And your explanation is:
10	different devices and as long as material is	10	"The material sought is held by a subject in
11	linked to them we can, um, they can be	11	this case and it is feared if notice was given
12	separated by use of keywords and then by	12	to the subject to provide this material to the
13	an independent lawyer reviewing that	13	OIC the subject would destroy, alter, deface
14	material and we will be basically given what	14	or conceal the material sought."
15	is left which will be relevant purely to our	15	What was the basis as far as you were aware
16	investigation.	16	for saying this?
17	Q. Did you consider defining if we can	17	A. The difference between a production
18	just go up to 320, please, you say:	18	order and a search warrant is it is notice to
19	"I now seek to recover electronic devices	19	the person, the subject. With a production
20	capable of sending and receiving text	20	order it is inter partes. So a representative or
21	messages, instant messages and/or electronic	21	Mr Levy himself could have gone to the
22	mail owned and/or used by Haim Levy and	22	application. He would know exactly what
23	any device capable of storing any of the	23	we were looking for and by this time, this
24	aforementioned communications."	24	was a year after, almost to the day, that the
25	Did you consider defining the material more	25	original suspects had been arrested and he
	Page 21		Page 23
1	narrowly to only capture documents relating	1	had only become a suspect of the
2	to your investigation and which were not	2	investigation some weeks before. Now, for
3	privileged?		
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2	firstly, review and then conceal or destroy	2	A. Yes, absolutely.
3	any evidence against him.	3	Q. But if you can - you have touched upon it
4	THE CHAIRMAN: Those words in that	4	in your answer, but I just want to deal with it
5	sentence: "The material sought is held by	5	specifically. Did you consider, as a
6	a subject", etc, that sounds as if it has come	6	counterargument, the fact that Mr Levy was a
7	straight of the template.	7	senior lawyer?
8	A. It's come from, I believe, it's not	8	A. I did, yes, as I've explained. But at the
9	a template, the template is the bold writing,	9	same time, there was extensive evidence to -
10	sir.	10	for me to believe he had committed a serious
11	(10.31)	11	criminal offence.
12	THE CHAIRMAN: Sorry?	12	Q. Can we
13	A. The template is in bold, and the writing	13	A. Sorry - an offence based solely around
14	underneath is writing I've input. In other	14	dishonesty, as well.
15	words: destroy, alter, deface or conceal are	15	Q. Can we look at A1431, please. Paragraph
16	mentioned too (?) I believe in paragraph 11	16	38, towards the bottom. This is Mr
17	of schedule one, if I'm not mistaken, and	17	Richardson's witness statement, where he
18	that's the argument against a production	18	gives an explanation as to the fact that Mr
19	order.	19	Levy had been aware of the investigation for
20	THE CHAIRMAN: Sorry, I am not sure I	20	over a year but he nevertheless says as
21	have completely understood your answer.	21	follows, "JL did not know (so far as I was
22	You are saying that that sentence comes from	22	aware) how much information we had
23	some other source?	23	collected that implicated him. If he had
24	A. It's - it's wording, or similar to wording,	24	deleted communications from his digital
25	in the Act itself, sir.	25	devices after the earlier arrests, as CS had
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2	A. Yeah.	2	production order might have resulted in him
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have obtained neither a production order nor 1 application. If he wished for the Chief 2 2 a search warrant, because it would be my Justice to hear the application that - that 3 3 belief that the material did not exist, I could've happened. 4 4 Q. Sorry to tell you again, Sergeant Clarke, thought. Maybe he may have deleted some 5 things which could be recovered; he would 5 but you are talking quite quickly. 6 6 A. Sorry, I apologise. be aware of forensic capabilities to the RGP. 7 But then, moving forward he may - it could 7 Q. Can we now look at A1058, please. If we 8 8 go to paragraph 10, in response to the be human nature to become more relaxed, 9 9 question, "Were submissions made to the more complacent as time went on. Now 10 10 Court in writing and/or orally when seeking we're talking almost a year later and maybe, 11 11 to think of a better term, he may not even search warrants? If oral submissions were 12 think that the police would have the audacity 12 made how long did the oral submissions 13 to - to conduct a search warrant at his home 13 take?", you say, "I sent the 38-page document 14 14 address or target him as - as a suspect. to the Clerk of the Court as requested by him. 15 15 Q. Why do you not mention this more As detailed in para 8 above, during the 16 16 specific information in that paragraph dealing application, I read the 38-page document in 17 17 with the preference for a search warrant over its entirety. To the best of my memory, the 18 a production order? 18 application took approximately 2 hours." Do 19 19 A. At the time I drafted the - the search you recall how much of that two hours was 20 20 taken by your reading out the application? warrant, I did it to the best of my ability. It 21 was checked by the inspector, the 21 A. It was pretty much all of the two hours. 22 22 superintendent and - and agreed by a Now, at - at the application wa-- was myself, 23 23 magistrate. I - I believed that I had a Mr Richardson, Mr Goldwin, clerk of the 24 24 sufficient detail included, and unfortunately court Mr Turnock; and - and the magistrate, 25 25 the details such as this in hindsight I would, obviously. The application was heard in Mr Page 29 Page 31 1 but at the time I didn't think to include it. 1 Pitto's chambers, so it was in his - an office 2 Q. Now turning to the hearing, we have seen 2 around a table, not - not in a court, so 3 3 that Superintendent Richardson's NDM unfortunately it wasn't recorded. Now, after 4 proposed applying to the Supreme Court for 4 the - the pleasantries and formalities, Mr 5 5 the warrant, rather than the Magistrates Pitto asked me to - to basically rea-- rea--6 Court. Do you know why the decision was 6 read it, the document, in its entirety, which 7 7 made to apply to the Magistrates Court rather was - it took approximately two hours. It's -8 8 than the Supreme Court? it's a long document, and some parts deal 9 9 A. In relation to the NDM document, I know with quite complex computer-speak, which -10 10 I received it via email on 10 May, after the which took a - a little bit of time to - to go 11 11 application. I can't recall if I ever saw that over. Now, he asked me a couple of 12 document prior to it, and if with me the Chief 12 questions to clarify pl-- points, sorry, and 13 13 clarify points only. Now, I - I made a note of Justice was discussed, because Mr Wyan and 14 myself - Mr Wyan began to draft the 14 the - at the time of the - the application and 15 15 application. But then, I took a period of who was present, and I left that space - pa--16 16 annual leave, he was in Covid isolation, so space in my book, sorry, to record any 17 17 that (?) it's a bit disjointed, and Mr questions had he asked them. However, 18 18 Richardson wanted the - the application there wasn't any questions outside of the - the 19 19 pushed forward, so I sought adv-- sorry, information or - or the grounds for the search 20 20 excuse me - sought advice from Mr Goldwin, warrant, so no questions are recorded 2.1 21 who - who is well versed in - in these because it's just purely on - on what was --22 22 applications, who advised to - to contact the THE CHAIRMAN: Sorry, just go through 23 23 clerk of the court and go through the that again, very slowly. The hearing took 24 24 magistrate. And, Mr Richardson not (?) two hours? 25 25 A. It - it took two hours and nineteen -obviously aware of that, he was at the Page 30 Page 32

1	THE CHAIRMAN: Hang on, I am taking it	1	unfortunately, and it was very, very few.
2	very slowly.	2	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, how long did that
3	A. Okay.	3	part of the process take?
4	THE CHAIRMAN: And, you read the whole	4	A. Not long at all. As - as I said, it took me
5	thing out?	5	approximately two hours to - for me to read
6	A. I did. All 38 pages, from - from start to	6	the document.
7	end, yes, sir.	7	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, hang on. "Not
8	THE CHAIRMAN: Did that strike you as a	8	long at all" could be five minutes or half an
9	rather peculiar thing to do? I mean, I know	9	hour.
	you were asked to do it, but why would the	10	
10		1	A. No, no, it was - I'm not going to say
11	magistrate want you to read it?	11 12	seconds, but it was literally a couple of points
12	A. It's his domain, it's his application, and if		to - to clarify the evidence I had told him,
13	he wanted me to - to read out 38 pages to him	13	rather than anything outs anything outside
14	that's - that's - that's his decision.	14	of the evidence.
15	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, I	15	THE CHAIRMAN: It could only have been
16	A. I - I didn't - sorry, Sir, I didn't feel like I	16	seconds?
17	was there to - to question him, being an	17	A. Really, yes. As far as I recall.
18	experienced magistrate.	18	Q. I think it is fair to interpret from your
19	THE CHAIRMAN: Anyway, what questions	19	evidence, but I just want to ask you the
20	did he ask?	20	question directly. Did the magistrate ask any
21	A. As I say, I really cannot recall any	21	questions about the suggestion that Mr Levy
22	specific questions outside of either the	22	could destroy evidence?
23	information or the justification for a search	23	A. No, he accepted the - the reasons on the -
24	warrant, otherwise I would have	24	on the document.
25	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, but that is what I	25	Q. Did he ask any questions about why a
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1	want to know about.	1	search warrant had been preferred over a
2	A yes. It was purely to do with the	2	production order?
_	information there, the - and that - the	3	A. No, again, he accepted the - the reasons
3 4	information being the - the substance. I can't	4	on the document. Unfortunately the hearing
	recall	5	wasn't recorded, otherwise we'd have a
5			· ·
6	THE CHAIRMAN: What questions did he	6 7	transcript, but if he had asked any questions
7	ask about the substance?		like - for - for the justification or - or over
8	A. Unfortunately I really cannot recall, sir,	8	and above the information, I would have
9	and there's very few.	9	recorded it in my book like I've done with
10	Q. When you say "the substance", are you	10	previous applications to him.
11	referring	11	THE CHAIRMAN: Because, have I
12	A. The information itself. Yes, sir	12	understood you correctly, you had a space in
13	Q. The evidence?	13	your notes for recording
14	A. The background and the evidence, yes.	14	A. Absolutely, and I'll give you an example,
15	Q. As to the grounds	15	sir. I applied to the magistrate, for this case,
16	A. Yes.	16	for an international letter of requests, I think
17	Q. Rather than	17	in July 2019, and I made a series of notes of
18	A. Absolutely, sir.	18	questions he had asked in relation to that
19	Q the procedure that you were proposing	19	application. But, for this application he
20		20	didn't ask any - any questions over and above
21	A. Yes.	21	points to clarify in - in this information.
22	Q and	22	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, but that is what I
23	THE CHAIRMAN: How many questions	23	am trying to get at: what points did he ask to
24	did he ask?	24	clarify?
	A. I - I couldn't give you a number	25	A. I'm sorry, I really can't remember. It's -
25	11. 1 1 couldn't give you a number		· ·
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	ide many of a case of coming to the maint (0)	1	alanification did vya this 1- 1614111.
1 2	it's more of a case of coming to the point (?)	1	clarification, did we think, if it would be compromised if we just asked for the
3	and just reiterated what I'd told him. I didn't	$\begin{vmatrix} 2\\3 \end{vmatrix}$	information which we handed over, and for
4	give him any information over what was in the information.	4	the - the reasons for that are clearly, yes, and
5	Q. If we look at the information itself, sorry,	5	they were borne out yesterday. You know,
	maybe it might help to give a bit of context.	$\begin{vmatrix} 3 \\ 6 \end{vmatrix}$	this - this wasn't - I'm an officer of the court,
6	Let us just go to B3208. Or just, maybe, a	1	here is our understanding, and the argument
7 8	little bit further along, something like	7 8	therefore". Superintendent Richardson
9	paragraph 20. Where the paragraph sets out,	9	appears to be explaining questions asked by
10	for example, the background to the NSCIS	10	the magistrate, and then the previous - just
11	platform, and the software system etc. Is that	11	further up he says, "Yeah, he asked about
12	the kind of thing that he was asking you to	12	how we would deal with the legally
13	clarify? Can you think of a sort of example	13	privileged material." Do you recall questions
14	of the type of question that he would be	14	of that nature by the magistrate?
15	asking?	15	A. I do not recall, no.
16	A. I - I really can't - I don't want to mislead	16	Q. Were you involved in the execution of the
17	the Inquiry by - by - by (inaudible)	17	warrants? Or, the intended execution of the
18	Q. I am	18	warrants?
19	A. — it is purely to clarify the points within	19	A. I was not directly involved, no. It was
20	the information. If I had given him any	20	Mr Richardson and - and Mr Wyan, as we've
21	evidence or information outside what's on	21	heard. I w I was nearby should I be
22	this document, it - it - I would record it	22	needed, but I wasn't involved in the
23	myself.	23	execution in the end. Well, I can clarify that:
24	Q. Thank you.	24	the only part I did play, sorry, was to send the
25	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, but you said: I gave	25	Hassans IT person (I think it was Arthur
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1	him no information over what I had already	1	Mills) a list of keywords which we required
2	written in the application.	2	from the IT system, that's - that all my
3	A. Yeah, that's correct sir.	3	involvement was. That was subsequent to
4	THE CHAIRMAN: That is correct?	4	the execution - or, sorry, the - the attendance
5	A. Yes, yeah.	5	at Hassans.
6	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.	6	Q. I think you mentioned earlier that you
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was very - it was a very - it was a very sad 1 (?) 2 2 time for - for us. MR SANTOS: Well, I do not think we have 3 Q. Finally, just on the progress on Operation 3 any applications. 4 4 Delhi after Mr McGrail's departure. Did THE CHAIRMAN: No. (?) 5 work on the prosecution continue unabated 5 SIR PETER CARUANA: Just one question, 6 until the nolle prosequi was filed in February 6 if you will permit. 7 7 THE CHAIRMAN: No, no... 8 8 SIR PETER CARUANA: Just one. A. That's correct. My work with Operation 9 Delhi led up just past the point of charge of 9 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. 10 10 the Delhi defendants. Then I - I assumed a -Questioned by SIR PETER CARUANA 11 11 a Sergeant role elsewhere, whilst the post-Q. Can I just ask you this, Sergeant Clarke. 12 prosecution process started. But as far as I'm 12 At the hearing in front of the magistrate for 13 concerned, everything went forward as 13 the warrant application, did any of the other 14 14 planned and there was no - there was no officers more senior to you say anything at 15 15 interference with the investigation all during the proceedings, to the magistrate? 16 16 A. During the proceedings themselves, no. I whatsoever. 17 Q. To your knowledge, was the Chief 17 was under oath, and it was my application, 18 Minister kept informed of the progress of the 18 and I was afforded that respect, sir, to make 19 19 prosecution? the application for - for the warrant in its 20 20 A. To my knowledge, no, I couldn't answer entirety. 21 that question, it's - wouldn't be something at 21 Q. That includes Mr Richardson? 22 22 my level to - to do. A. Yes. 23 23 Q. And in terms of the Attorney General, to THE CHAIRMAN: So, if questions were 24 your knowledge was he kept informed of the 24 asked by the magistrate you answered them, 25 25 progress of the prosecution? rather than... Page 45 Page 47 1 A. Again, I'm aware that senior officers went 1 A. Yes. Yeah - I --2 to meetings, but I - I was not aware of the 2 THE CHAIRMAN: (inaudible) 3 3 content of - of those meetings, really, until A. -- it was my - it was my application, yes. 4 4 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay, thank you. Right, last week. 5 5 Q. Did any of the Governor, the Chief well I know it is very early, but it is probably 6 Minister or the Attorney General provide 6 a good time to break, is it? 7 input, directly or indirectly, to the ongoing 7 MR SANTOS: I was going to ask whether 8 investigation? 8 we could break for a slightly longer period, 9 9 A. As far as I'm aware, no. Not on my level. perhaps 15 minutes, just to give us a little bit 10 Q. When were you told that the prosecution 10 of time to deal with a couple of... I am 11 was to be discontinued? 11 informed by Mr Simpson, in fact, that Mr 12 A. Mr Wyan told me at the time it actually 12 Baglietto was asked to attend at 11, so he 13 happened. I can't remember if I saw it on the 13 may not even be here. So, perhaps could we 14 14 news first, but me and Mr Wyan - we - we break until quarter past 11? 15 were not working together (?) at that point, I 15 THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, but it should not be 16 think he - he may have been - been promoted 16 taken as a precedent. 17 again, I can't remember. But it was 17 MR SANTOS: No. I do not think anybody 18 something that we - we discussed, he just 18 has any doubts. 19 19 told me that his had happened, and that was (10.56)20 20 when the - when it was actually announced, (Adjourned for a short time) 2.1 so not beforehand. 21 (11.24)22 MR SANTOS: I had no further questions, 22 THE CHAIRMAN: Okay. 23 sir. I do not think we have any applications 23 MR SANTOS: Thank you, sir. 24 24 for any further questions, so... MR LEWIS BAGLIETTO, Sworn 25 THE CHAIRMAN: Sorry, I did not catch. 25 QUESTIONED BY MR SANTOS

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1 MR SANTOS: Good morning Mr Baglietto? 1 Llamas a friend? 2 2 A. Good morning, sir. A. I do, yes. 3 3 Q. I think you have in front of you a file Q. And how often do you speak to the 4 with your witness statement in it. Can I just 4 Attorney General? 5 ask you to turn to that, please? 5 A. Not as often as I'd like because he's been 6 6 so busy with Brexit and other issues, and A. Yes, of course. 7 7 even when he's not I don't really speak to him Q. Can you please confirm that that 8 8 statement is the statement that you have that often unless I'm - we arrange to meet up 9 9 provided to this inquiry? socially which, as I say, is quite rare, or 10 10 A. Yes, it is. unless I'm doing some work on his 11 11 instructions, or instructions of the Q. Thank you. Can I ask you to turn to the 12 final page, please, and confirm that it is your 12 Government. 13 signature at the end of that document? 13 Q. How often do you message him? 14 14 A. Not particularly often I'd say. No, not A. Yes, it is. 15 15 Q. And do you confirm that the contents of often at all I'd say. 16 Q. How often do you message him outside 16 that statement are true to the best of you sorry, that affidavit is true to the best of your 17 17 of work - outside of work contact? 18 information, knowledge and belief? 18 A. Very, very rarely. Very rarely. 19 19 A. Yes, I do. Q. Turning now to 36 North, we know that 20 20 Q. How long have you been in practice, Mr your colleagues at Hassans were involved in 21 Baglietto? 21 setting up that company. Did you play any 22 22 role in the setting up of --A. Since 1986. 23 23 Q. And what is your role at Hassans? A. Not at all, no. I don't get involved in 24 A. I'm a partner of the firm and have been 24 transactional work. I'm a litigator and 25 25 head of litigation at the firm since 2003. therefore my area of work is completely Page 49 Page 51 1 Q. In his fourth affidavit to this inquiry the 1 different. 2 Chief Minister describes you as one of his 2 Q. Am I right in saying that you had an 3 3 ultimate beneficial interest in 36 North of just closest personal friends. Do you agree with 4 that description? 4 under 3 per cent? 5 5 A. Yes, I do. A. I'm not sure what the percentage was, and 6 Q. How often do you speak to the Chief 6 when I came to know about 36 North and our 7 7 Minister? shareholding in it, I assumed that my 8 8 A. It varies. It depends largely on whether percentage would be very small. 9 9 I'm doing some work for the Government, in Q. Why do you say that? 10 10 which case contact might be more frequent, A. Because if we were shareholders of a 11 but at a personal level I very rarely do. In 11 larger company and my equity shares is quite 12 fact the last time I spoke to him was probably 12 a small one, it followed that by share in a 13 to wish him a happy Christmas at the end of 13 larger, or ultimate beneficial interest in a 14 last year, and I also sadly bumped into him at 14 larger enterprise involving other 15 15 a funeral last week and just said "Hello" but shareholders, would be even smaller. 16 16 I've had no contact with him for the past four Q. When did you learn that Mr Levy had an 17 17 months, for example, but on the other hand ultimate beneficial interest in 36 North? 18 18 there may be times when I do have more A. I was - Until 12 May I was vaguely 19 19 contact, but it's not as if we go out for dinner aware of the fact that we had invested in 20 20 regularly or anything of the sort. It's a some security company, but to be honest I 21 21 friendship that goes back many years and we didn't really know much about it. I didn't 22 22 have been professional colleagues also for even know the name of it, let alone the extent 23 23 many years. of our interest in it. 24 24 Q. So, when you say, "we had invested", you Q. Can I ask next please about the Attorney 25 General, Mr Llamas. Do you consider Mr 25 mean Hassans? Page 50 Page 52

1	A. Yes.	1	A. I don't know about on the 12th. No, I
2	Q. And so, by virtue of knowing of that	2	wouldn't have learned any of that on 12 May.
3	investment, your vague awareness, you	3	On 12 May what happened was Well, we
4	would have a vague awareness that Mr Levy	4	know what happened, the search warrant, and
5	and you had a beneficial interest in the	5	I just became involved in that and that was
6	company?	6	my sole focus. It wasn't until later in the
7	A. Yes. I assume I would have had	7	course of Mr Levy providing his voluntary
8	something, and certainly Mr Levy because he	8	statement to the RGP that I began to learn a
9	has a larger share in the business, as in - by	9	bit more about the structure and so on.
10	which I mean partnership.	10	Q. Did you know that Hassans had lent Mr
11	Q. Did the other partners - did other partners	11	Cornelio and Mr Perez £476,000?
12	know that they were shareholders?	12	A. No. I may have learned that afterwards,
13	A. I have no idea because I never spoke to	13	as I say, in the course of Mr Levy providing
14	anybody about this. It's something that I	14	his voluntary statement to the RGP, but
15	heard. I had a vague idea that there was this	15	certainly not any time before that.
16	investment and it was something that simply	16	Q. At the time when Mr Cornelio, Mr Perez,
17	wasn't on my radar until 12 May basically.	17	Mr Sanchez and Mr Asquez were arrested,
18	Q. Did you hear Sorry, when you say you	18	did you raise any concerns about Hassans'
19	had a vague idea, do you know where you	19	investment in 36 North?
20	got that vague idea from?	20	A. No, I didn't actually. I imagine it was a
21	A. It could have been a partners' meeting, an	21	typically busy day in the litigation
22	informal partners' lunch or just casually	22	department and there was a call from the
23	chatting to one of my partners. I couldn't	23	police station, and the extent of my
24	really say.	24	involvement was to make sure that somebody
25	Q. Would you accept that you potentially	25	was up there to because I think we got a
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2	Operation Delhi investigation. Is that	2	lines and leading counsel in London was
3	correct?	3	involved, largely involved in advising and
4	A. That is correct.	4	the drafting - had a lot of input in the
5	Q. When were you first instructed?	5	drafting of the many letters and
6	A. In the afternoon of 12 May.	6	communications that were sent to the
7	Q. Given your own interest in 36 North, did	7	Attorney General, and to the RGP.
8	you think it was appropriate to act as a	8	Q. Do you, in retrospect, notwithstanding
9	lawyer for Mr Levy in relation to the	9	the instruction of external counsel, do you, in
10	criminal investigation?	10	retrospect, wish that you had passed the case
11	A. I didn't give it a minute's thought. This	11	on to an external lawyer to act in - to instruct
12	was a bombshell. I needed to sort out what	12	counsel?
13	appeared to us to be a gross abuse of process,	13	A. Well, with hindsight, I don't know
14	and abuse of power, and my sole focus was	14	whether I would have done that. It would
15	to try and have that redressed as quickly as	15	have obviously sort of made my life easier,
16	possible. I wasn't the slightest bit interested	16	but at the time I was not even thinking about
17	in whatever interest, however small, I might	17	that. I was just thinking of sorting it out for
18	have had in that company which I seem to	18	my senior partner who, I think, had been
19	recollect was not doing very much at the time	19	unfairly treated, with the help of a colleague
20	anyway.	20	in my office who was experienced in
21	Q. Were you surprised when Mr Levy asked	21	criminal law and whose integrity and ability I
22	you to represent him?	22	had total trust in. In addition to that, we had
23	A. No. I expected him to ask me to represent	23	the support, detached support if I can put it
24	him. As head of litigation, I do do some fire-	24	that way, of an eminent specialist silk in
25	fighting for the firm from time to time.	25	London.
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1	Q. Did you pause before agreeing to	1	Q. Did Mr Levy tell you that the police had
2	represent him?	2	undertaken for an independent lawyer to
3	A. Not at all. My instinct was to try and sort	3	sieve out all privileged material?
4	this out as soon as possible, by which I mean	4	A. Sorry, that the police had undertaken?
5	trying to put - trying to rectify what seemed	5	Q. Yes, for an independent lawyer to sieve
6	to us to be a gross injustice in terms of the	6	out all privileged material from his devices?
7	way they had gone about obtaining the	7	A. I think he must have told me at some
8	evidence - not in terms of interfering with	8	point, but this was not a case of somebody
9	the substantive investigation, but rather the	9	already having been earmarked and turned up
10	procedure that had been followed, which was	10	with a blue bag. This was a case of the
11	unduly draconian and oppressive in my view.	11	police taking the material with a possible
12	?	12	view to blue-bagging at some indeterminate
13	Q. Do you wish, in retrospect, that you had	13	time in the future.
14	immediately passed the case on to an external	14	Q. Did he tell you that the RGP was willing
15	lawyer?	15	to allow him to choose that lawyer?
16	A. Well, we were in the middle of Covid,	16	A. I don't know whether he told me at the
17	and there were all sorts of restrictions of all	17	time, but I believe that to be the case, or that
18	kinds, but what we did do was I mean the	18	certainly he would have a voice in who might
19	short answer to your question is we had	19	be appointed.
20 21	external leading specialist counsel from	20	Q. Turning now to your communications
22	London engaged from the very beginning and at every stage of every - of the process	21 22	with the Attorney General, can we please
23	involved in making representations with a	22 23	look at B/1902 please?
24	view to putting everything on a fair and	23	A. B1/902. Oh, sorry it is on the screen, is it?
25	proportionate footing as we saw it - so, as I	25	Q. It will appear on the screen and you
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1 should also have the document in front of 1 the letter was drafted on that basis. 2 2 you, so it is whatever you prefer? Q. Can I now refer to C/6883. For your 3 3 purposes, this is a heavily redacted document A. I will look at the document as much as I 4 4 can. Thank you. which sets out --5 Q. It is an email dated 12 May. 5 A. Oh ves. 6 6 A. Which tab is it in? Right, got it. Q. - messages between you and the Attorney 7 Q. This is the email that your firm - that you 7 General? 8 sent on behalf of Mr Levy on 12 May 2020 at 8 A. Yes. Q. On 13 May, so the day after the warrant 9 9 11.03 in the evening? 10 A. Yes. 10 and the day after your email, you set out --11 11 first of all at 3.32 you send a message saying: Q. In your evidence you say that you had 12 previously called Mr Llamas before sending 12 " M, can I call you?"? 13 the email to protest about the warrant --13 A. Yes. 14 14 A. Yes. Q. And then there are two missed calls later 15 on at 6.39 and 6.48 in the afternoon? 15 Q. - to express concerns for the protection 16 16 of the material taken by the RGP and to also Q. Did you manage to speak to the Attorney 17 17 let him know that you would be writing to 18 him. Is that correct? 18 General on that day? 19 A. Yes. I don't know whether I said that I 19 A. I can't remember whether I managed to 20 20 had or that I'm likely to have. speak to him. 21 Q. You are quite right. I will just take you --21 Q. You say that it was likely that you would 22 22 A. I anticipate that I probably did. have called him on 12 May. Is it likely that 23 Q. Yes. It is A/1520, 4.2 - sorry, your 23 you would have spoken to him on the 13th as 24 24 witness statement, paragraph 4.2. "It is likely well? 25 25 that I would have called him on the phone."? A. Well, I'm sure I would have wanted to Page 61 Page 63 1 A. Exactly, exactly. 1 speak to him on 13 May because of course 2 Q. Why was your first action to phone and 2 you asked me why didn't I first contact the 3 3 then email the Attorney General with this RGP, but you will see from the letter that we 4 complaint rather than to contact the RGP 4 wrote to the - or rather the email that I sent 5 5 directly? to the Attorney General, that my first request 6 A. Because I wasn't -- We had serious 6 was to meet with and with the RGP and a 7 7 misgivings as to the conduct - unfortunately meeting had been tentatively arranged with 8 8 I have to say this - within the RGP, and my the Attorney and the Commissioner of 9 9 recourse is therefore to the Attorney General Police, Mr McGrail, for the following day 10 10 as the Crown's most senior legal adviser and but Mr McGrail subsequently declined to 11 it was also regarding the public interest, one 11 meet on advice, and for reasons which are 12 of the guardians of the rule of law and a 12 entirely up to him, and therefore I was - but 13 person in whom I have total trust and 13 therefore I was keen to meet with the 14 confidence. 14 Attorney General regardless to see whether a 15 15 Q. Did you call him or contact him because way forward could be found that was less 16 16 he was your friend? oppressive in terms of the obtention of Mr 17 17 A. I think I would have called the Levy's evidence and the return of his 18 18 incumbent, whoever he or she might have equipment. And, as the letter that we sent 19 19 around that time, I think on the 13th to Mr been. 20 Q. What did you think of the propriety of 20 Richardson, also seeking that if they did want 21 21 your contact with the Attorney General? the evidence that there should be a proper 22 A. Entirely proper, and if I may say so and 22 inter partes application for a production 23 23 without breaching any form of privilege, the order. 24 - my legal team, including leading counsel, 24 Q. Were you aware, on 13 May, that the 25 had obviously no issue with that and in fact 25 Attorney General was meeting with the DPP, Page 62 Page 64

1	the Commissioner of Police, Superintendent	1	and the information provided herein must not
2	Richardson and Mr Lloyd DeVincenzi?	2	be disclosed to any third party without
3	A. I don't recall being aware. I really don't	3	authority of the Royal Gibraltar Police."?
4	recall being aware. Obviously I've seen	4	A. Yes.
5	transcripts of that meeting since, but whether	5	Q. Did you disclose any information from
6	I was aware at the time, I am afraid I no	6	within this document to any third party other
7	longer recall.	7	than legal representation?
8	Q. Is it the case	8	A. No, because what - all that - all those
9	A. I should say, Mr Santos, as well, and this	9	items listed relate to the historical
10	is certainly not a criticism of the Inquiry, but	10	relationship regarding 36 North, in other
11	I have not had occasion to actually apply my	11	words, the substance of the investigation. I
12	memory to many of these events because it	12	was not concerned with the substance of the
13	wasn't until fairly recently that I was asked to	13	investigation. I was only concerned with
14	provide evidence to the Inquiry.	14	procedural fairness.
15	Q. Do you think it was likely that you were	15	Q. If we now look at C6/806 please, this is
16	told by the Attorney General as to that	16	another transcript of WhatsApp exchanges,
17	meeting?	17	this time between the Attorney General and
18	A. It is likely or possible at any rate.	18	Mr DeVincenzi I just want to focus on the
19	Q. Can we now turn to C/3522 please?	19	final three - well, the final two, sorry, one
		20	the state of the s
20	A. I have got it.	1	timed at 12.31 and the other 12.45 on 14 May
21	Q. I am not going to read out lengthy	21	2020. And Mr DeVincenzi says: "Lewis and
22	passage from this document. You may	22	another gent here to see you. Moshe Levy is
23	recognise this is a document that was handed	23	the other gentleman."?
24	to Mr McGrail on 12th - sorry, that was	24	A. Yes.
25	handed to Mr Levy on 12 May 2020. It is a	25	Q. Do you know whether that reference to
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2	A. 4.2, yes exactly.	2	much correspondence there had been with
3	Q. What was the purpose of that meeting?	3	the DPP.
4	A. I can't recall the specific purpose, but if I	4	Q. I believe your original email, or one of
5	had to make an intelligence guess I would	5	the later emails, was copied to the DPP?
6	say this was the meeting that I was hoping to	6	A. There was a later one, yes, but I had total
7	have with the Attorney General, albeit in the	7	trust and I knew the Attorney General and as
8	absence of the RGP, to actually make - to	8	I say he was above - without - with no
9	protest and make representations with a view	9	disrespect to anybody else, any of the other
10	to having matters dealt with in what we	10	Crown legal advisers and I thought I should
11	considered to be a more proportionate and	11	go straight to the top basically, and because
12	fair manner going forward.	12	he is guardian of the public interest and one
13	Q. So, is your evidence that this is the	13	of the guardians of the rule of law and so on
14	meeting which you requested in your email	14	and so forth.
15	of the late night of 12 May, albeit without the	15	Q. Did you or Mr Levy take any notes of
16	Commissioner?	16	that meeting?
17	A. I'm not sure that I would go so far as to	17	A. Not that I can recall. I have looked for
18	say that this is the evidence that that is the	18	notes going back that far, but I tend to not
19	meeting, but certainly if I did not meet the	19	turn up with iPads and laptops at meetings or
20	Attorney General on the 13th, I mean that was	20	anything like that. My manner of taking
21	certainly my next opportunity - or my first	21	notes is much more old-fashioned. It's one of
22	opportunity, rather, to air our grievances with	22	these types of counsel's notebooks and I have
23	him.	23	looked to see whether there were any notes
24	Q. What role did you believe that the	24	
25	Attorney General was playing in this	25	going back that far, but there weren't. I think
23	Auorney General was playing in this	23	you have to understand as well that most of
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1	scenario? Was he lawyer to the Governor,	1	the - I think all of the momentous
2	lawyer to the Chief Minister, negotiator,	2	developments in this case were recorded in
3	mediator? Was he acting in his personal	3	what was practically contemporaneous
4	capacity?	4	correspondence, whether it was emails or
5	A. I think he was exercising his own - well,	5	letters, and therefore the need for attendance
6	I trusted him to exercise his own judgment	6	notes - and I think if I may say generally has
7	and give his own opinion to other attendees	7	become less important than it was, say, 30 or
8	of that meeting as to what a measured and	8	40 years ago, largely because of that. And
9	fair manner of proceeding would be as	9	then, of course, as far as we were concerned
10	regards to the obtention of the evidence, and	10	this case was totally over by October 2020.
11	_	11	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
12	having read the transcripts of the tape recordings of those meeting, he seems to	12	So, my notes may have been disposed of, along with the notes of many other cases
13	have performed exactly that role, in my view	13	which were dead by then.
14		14	Q. So, is your evidence that you believe you
15	anyway. Q. Why was Mr Levy Junior there?	15	would have taken a note, but you are unable
16		16	to find it?
17	A. I cannot recall. Obviously Mr Levy	17	
18	junior felt very strongly about the way that	18	A. I'm not sure because - that I will have
18	his father had been treated. He worked very	1	taken a note, because at the end of the day I
20	closely with me. He may have assisted me	19	was there to make representations and the
	with research, and indeed I may have asked	20	Attorney General was there to listen to those
21	him to come along to the meeting.	21	representations, and hopefully taken them on
22	Q. Why did you need to meet the Attorney	22	board. Therefore, it is possibly unlikely that
23	General in person, given that you were	23	I got any feedback from him at the time, and
24	already in correspondence with him and with	24	that his response may simply have been:
25	the DPP over email?	25	well, let me look into it, in which case there
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1 was no point in taking a note about that.	1 Q. If we now turn to B5/419, this is a letter
2 Q. Have you asked Mr Levy, Moshe Levy	2 from you to the Attorney General on 15 May
whether he has notes of the meeting?	3 2020, which in the introduction section says
4 A. I'm not sure whether I've asked him, but	4 that it sets out the "very good grounds for
5 I'm under the distinct impression that he does	5 believing that the warrants were improperly
6 not have notes because I don't believe he	6 procured."?
7 recollects that meeting.	7 A. Yes.
8 Q. When you say that you looked for your	8 Q. Is this the letter that you were referring to
9 notes of a meeting, what would the process	9 in your message of the previous evening?
of looking for that have entailed?	10 A. Yes, I believe so.
11 A. Opening my cupboard and going through	11 Q. Did you tell the Attorney General in
all the papers in it, which are not in the most	12 advance what you would be saying in this
orderly sort of state, but these notebooks are	13 letter?
quite easy to spot and I just sifted through	14 A. Well, I said - I must have given him a
15 them and there was nothing going back that	heads up that I was going to send him a very
16 far, by any means.	full letter, or a letter containing very full
17 Q. And an electronic search?	17 representations as to why we considered the
18 A. I wouldn't have made any electronic	18 warrants to be unlawful.
19 notes of meetings. Anything that	19 Q. Did the Attorney General have any input
20 Because, as I say, I wouldn't have been there	20 on the contents of the letter?
21 typing what was being said and so on. I	A. Not at all. This was done entirely by our
would have just scribbled something. So, no	22 legal team. That is myself, Mr Bonfante and
23 electronic notes at all. If I wanted to commit	23 leading counsel in London who had the
24 anything to memory, I would have probably	24 largest input because he is very experienced
done so in an email to whoever I wanted to	25 in this area, and he was completely au fait
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1 communicate it to.	1 with all the case law cited in that letter.
2 Q. Even if you did not make a note during	2 Q. Further down that first page there is a
3 the meeting, why did Mr Levy not make a	3 sentence that says: "There can be little
4 file note of the meeting after it too place?	4 surprise that, as we believe is the case, the
5 A. Because as I say I can't answer for a	5 DPP advised the Commissioner against the
6 fact, because this took place a very long time	6 making of these applications."?
7 ago, but I surmise that what we were doing	7 A. Yes.
8 there was basically making representations to	8 Q. How did you learn about the DPP's
9 the Attorney General, the nature of which	9 advice on the warrant?
10 was very clear because we had already sort	10 A. I can't recall exactly how I learned but at
of rehearsed our presentation in	the time the only people that I was talking to
correspondence, and it would have been	or who might have been a source of
13 utterly pointless, in my view, to have made a	information were either Mr Levy, by way of
14 note simply regurgitating them.	14 instructions, the Chief Minister, or the
15 Q. Can we now look at C6/883 please?	15 Attorney General, but I seem to recall from
16 A. Of course.	one of the transcripts that the Attorney
Q. These are exchanges between you and the	General indicated that he was not the person
18 Attorney General. I just want to focus on the	that would have told us this, if I remember
ones on the 14th. This is in the evening, 9.54.	19 rightly; I may be wrong.
20 You say: "M, we are delayed with letter to	Q. His statement I believe on 15 May - the
21 you 'til morning."?	21 meeting on 15 May is to the effect that it
22 A. Yes.	22 must have come from the conversation
Q. The reply comes back just over two	between the Chief Minister and Mr
24 minutes later: "No problem, L. M"?	24 McGrail.?
25 A. Yes.	25 A. Originally yes. Yes, of course. And then
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1	maybe the Chief Minister either told us	1	confirmed to me (see his email to me of 17
2	directly - either told me or told Mr Levy and	2	May 2020) that the Commissioner of Police
3	Mr Levy told me.	3	would be prepared to accept a voluntary
4	Q. But Mr Levy's evidence yesterday was	4	statement from Mr Levy in lieu of the
5	that he was not aware of the DPP's advice.?	5	interview under caution scheduled for 18
6	A. Right. Well, maybe the Chief Minister	6	May 2020."
7	told me directly, but I can't say for a fact. I	7	A. Yes.
8	mean, I am just saying that that is plausible,	8	Q. Who was it who came up with the idea of
9	that it my have happened that way.	9	a voluntary statement being provided by Mr
10	Q. Do you think it is proper for a suspect to	10	Levy?
11	know the DPP's advice on executive action	11	A. I don't remember but it is perfectly
12	taken against that suspect?	12	plausible that it came from us because it
13	(12.02)	13	would he been consistent with our contention
14	A. Well, certainly it is open, in my view, to	14	that in the first instance Mr Levy ought to
15	the legal representatives of a suspect to try	15	have been treated as a witness rather than as
16	and obtain as much information as they	16	a suspect but, on the other hand, looking at
17	possibly can from whoever they think might	17	the transcripts of the meeting that took place
18	be able to provide that information and then	18	between the Attorney General, I believe the
19	it is up to that person, the holder of the	19	DPP, Mr McGrail and Mr Richardson, I
20	information, to decide whether it is proper to	20	believe the idea of a voluntary statement
21	share that information with those seeking it.	21	evolved from something that Mr Richardson
22	Q. So is it your position that the legal	22	had said although in fairness to him he did
23	representatives do not make their own	23	say that it should be under caution and then if
24	assessment as to whether they are receiving	24	you follow that transcript, I think the DPP
25	information properly or improperly?	25	it starts to gather a bit of momentum and the
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24	infrequently you use messages by virtue of	24 25	Q. Rather than saying, "You have asked." Who asked you to come over to the Attorney
22 23	the matters before the Inquiry. Q. You say that you point out how	22 23	asked" A. Yes.
21	solicitors, this is the only one that related to	21	Q. You say in the message, "I have been
20	the letters received from the Inquiry	20	me in the evening of 15 May.
19	and I checked it for everybody on the list in	19	that the Attorney General has asked to see
18	but the moment I realised that it was there	18	exactly, so that is just a message telling me
17	than a year later, so it just slipped my mind	17	A. Yes, 4.3, exactly and this is just
16	almost a year later and the other one is more	16	to?
15	that one of them is 2019, the next one is	15	Q. Paragraph 4.3 I think you are referring
14	think you can see it from the actual exchange	14	Attorney General
13	SMSs. I very rarely engage in SMSs and I	13	statement about meeting or speaking to the
12	A. Because it hadn't occurred to me to check	12	connects to what I say in my witness
11	to the Inquiry before yesterday?	11	A. I think that that message was about it
10	Q. Why is it that this message was not sent	10	message is about?
9	A. Yesterday, I believe.	9	Q can you just explain what that
8	you discover these messages?	8	A. Yes.
7	another one on 24 October 2021. When did	7	Q. In terms of the message of 15 May
6	another one on 15 May 2020 and then	6	them to the Inquiry.
5	Q. There is a message on 22 July, there is	5	LPPI I would have had no difficulty showing
4	A. Yes.	4	A. Not at all; not at all and if it were not for
3	begins on 22 July 2019.	3	under enquiry?
1 2	A. Yes.Q. This is an iMessage exchange which	1 2	Q. Other than the 15 May 2020 message, are any of those messages related to the matters
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25	yesterday.	25	was a year and a half later, roughly.
24	exchange which you disclosed to the Inquiry	24	year before and that the one that followed
23	Q. Can I now show you an iMessage	23	couple of days earlier in 2020, it's actually a
22	that that option remained open to the RGP.	22	message before that is not a message from a
21	certainly it was apparent to me at the time	21	you the whole page and show you that the
20	that clear. I stand to be corrected but	20	works so what I thought is I would just give
19	himself in a letter of around 22 May made	19	am not very techie, I don't know how that
18	understanding. In fact I think Mr McGrail	18	cut it out and paste it on a I don't know, I
17	me but I think that would have been the	17	message on its own. I didn't want to sort of
16	A. I am not sure whether he explained that to	16	A. Well, I didn't want to just give the 2020
15	Attorney General explain that to you?	15	you have provided those to the Inquiry?
14	interview under caution was needed. Did the	14	ask why those have been provided why
13	and they would then assess whether an	13	we cannot see all of the content - can I just
12	voluntary statement as an interim measure	12	Q. The first four messages that we can see -
11	Q. The RGP had in fact agreed to accept the	11	instead of the WhatsApp one.
10	letters quite meticulously.	10	button or something and sent the SMS one
9	transcripts that they were going through our	9	that day. I may have just pressed the wrong
8	other hand, it is also apparent from those	8	use of SMS. I don't know why I sent an SMS
7	and the Commissioner of Police but, on the	7	my use of WhatsApp is more regular than my
6	of discussions at meetings involving the DPP	6	necessarily that frequent anyway but it is
5	in that correspondence were also the subject	5	A. Yes, but as I have said before, it is not
4	seems that many of the points that were made	4	through WhatsApp is far more frequent?
3	from my recollection of the transcripts, it	3	because you are messaging your messages
2	A. I don't know. I think certainly a lot of	2	message exchanged or two per year, is that
1	meetings of 13, 15 and 20 May?	1	between you and Mr Llamas, it seems, one

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1	General's office?	1	account of what happened," certainly in
2	A. I am afraid I don't know. It may have	2	relation to the point on which he had been
3	been a message left at my office. I simply	3	asked to give evidence on the basis of a
4	don't know, I am sorry.	4	voluntary statement and not under caution.
5	Q. Could it have been the Chief Minister	5	Q. Do you act for Mr Levy KC in this
6	asking you to attend?	6	Inquiry?
7	A. I doubt it. I doubt it. I think this would	7	A. Do I in this Inquiry? I have assisted him
8	have come straight from the Attorney	8	when he has received letters from the Inquiry
9	General or his office.	9	and when he was asked to give evidence but I
10	Q. Do you recall how you were asked to	10	am not really generally advising him on the
11	come? Was it by text message, email or	11	Inquiry to the extent that he needs to be
12	phone message?	12	independently advised, he is independently
13	A. No, I don't. It's very possible that	13	advised.
14	somebody might have phoned me and left me	14	Q. What efforts have you made to try and
15	a message and my secretary might have just	15	track down Mr Levy's messages and
16	scribbled a note on a notepad saying, "You	16	communications with the Chief Minister, the
17	are wanted at a meeting, you have been asked	17	Attorney General and other individuals of
18	to attend a meeting at such and such a time	18	interest to this Inquiry?
19	on Friday afternoon."	19	A. I haven't made any efforts because I rely
20	Q. At that meeting on 15 May sorry, let	20	and trust Mr Levy to provide whatever he
21	me just double check something. Yes, what	21	reasonably can provide and obviously I know
22	was the purpose of that meeting on 15 May?	22	that he gave his evidence to the Inquiry in
23	A. The purpose of the meeting on 15 May I learned was that the Commissioner or the	23	that regard yesterday afternoon.
24		24 25	Q. His evidence yesterday was that he would
25	RGP were happy to take a voluntary	25	not have been much use in locating electronic
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1	statement from Mr Levy in lieu of his having	1	documents because of his lack of familiarity
2	to attend New Mole House at ten o'clock on	2	with it, so how is it that he, as far as you are
3	the Monday morning for an interview under	3	aware, complied with the Inquiry's request
4	caution.	4	for those communications?
5	Q. Are there any notes of that meeting?	5	A. As far as I am aware, I think he spoke to
6	A. Of which meeting?	6	his IT our IT people. I don't know the
7	Q. Of that meeting?	7	detail of that.
8	A. No, because that was the gist of it and	8	Q. You were not involved in that?
9	there was no more to it really.	9	A. No, I wasn't in on that.
10	Q. Did you attend on your own or with	10	Q. In 4.1, can we go to 4.1 of your
11	anybody else?	11	statement, you say, "I have recently been
12	A. On my own; yes, on my own.	12	provided with Mr Picardo's fourth affidavit
13	Q. Again you did not take any notes of what	13	where he states that he and I discussed the
14	was said?	14	matter on a number of occasions."
15	A. I don't think I would have taken any notes	15	A. Yes.
16	because the message was very short and	16	Q. "While I note this and from the
17	simple.	17	WhatsApp disclosed by the Chief Minister it
18	Q. What information did Mr Llamas give, if	18	is clear that I spoke to him around those
19	any, about the meeting which had taken place	19	dates, the fact is that nearly four years later I
20	that afternoon with Mr McGrail, Mr	20	simply have no recollection of the contents of
21	Richardson, Mr Rocca, et cetera?	21	any discussions with him on the subject of
22	A. I don't think he would have gone into any	22	the warrants."
23	detail about that meeting. I think he would	23	A. Yes.
24	have just said, "Look, listen, the RGP are	24	Q. "It is easier for me to recollect my
25	content for Mr Levy to provide his full	25	interactions with other persons listed above
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		vidence in his fourth affidavit on page
4 would have cleared it later in 2020 or in 5 2021?		11447. I am just picking it up at paragraph 0.
6 A. I really couldn't tell you.		o. A. Yes.
7 Q. What did you think of the propriety of). In fact, just one further back, 9, "As can
8 your contact with the Chief Minister?		e seen from the WhatsApp messages
9 A. I didn't think it was improper at all. I		isclosed, I met with Mr Baglietto KC on a
10 mean, the mindset at the time is that we had		umber of occasions during that period.
got this bombshell, as we perceived it		Those meetings occurred nearly four years
12 anyway, which is the search warrant which		go and I cannot recall the detail of what was
was a very serious intrusion into the private		iscuss. I can, however, assisted by the
14 rights of Mr Levy and indeed of an		eferences in the WhatsApp messages I have
15 individual and courts have repeatedly		isclosed, recall the general tenor of the
16 referred or that in their judgments and my		iscussion. In those meetings, I believe that I
sole focus was to get to the bottom of how all		hared with Mr Baglietto KC, who is,
18 this had come about and as I mentioned		ncidentally, one of my closest personal
19 earlier, my initial preference was to meet		riends, my outrate at the RGP, in my view
20 with the Attorney General and with the	20 in	mproperly, obtaining a search warrant in
21 Commissioner of Police on the 13th and when		espect of Mr Levy KC instead of a
22 the Commissioner of Police felt unable to	22 P	roduction Order." Just pausing there, how
23 hold such a meeting with me, I turned to the	23 n	nuch information did you give to the Chief
24 Attorney General directly and also to the	24 N	Ainister as to the basis put forward by the
25 Chief Minister because I knew or anticipated	25 R	GP for the search warrant?
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1 that he would have been involved in all these		. I dare say I don't recall exactly, but I
2 he would have known about the incident		are say it would have been quite high level
3 and would he been able to shed some light on		nd quite obvious and I believe that he
4 it and that is what I was I was hoping that		imself had alighted on why it was so
5 between the Chief Minister and the Attorney		nappropriate, to put it mildly, because where
6 General that they would help defuse the		as the risk of destruction? Where was
7 whole matter by having discussions, as		ubstantiation in the application of that risk?
8 indeed they did, with the RGP with a view to 9 the procedural defects and what we perceived		Where was the alleged inability or
		npracticability of contacting the person who eld the information. So, there were lots of
10 to be the abusers being redressed to the 11 extent they could, the horse already having		arts of the application for the warrant which
bolted of course but we did achieve a	_	ere woefully defective, in my respectful
13 measure of success, in my view, because we		iew. Leaving aside the question of full and
14 did get these extra assurances as to the		ank disclosure, but that's a different matter.
15 safeguarding of the equipment and Mr Levy		. Had you see the information at the time
was treated from the point of view of		f your discussions with the Chief Minister?
offering evidence, he was treated more like a		. It depends, because I had certainly seen
witness than as a suspect, not forced to go		ne warrant itself but I think I only got to see
down to the police station and so on and so		ne schedule a few days later, but it was
20 forth and he gave the fullest account that he		vident on the face of the warrant that it was
could of the facts and that contributed to the		indamentally wrong, because it was
decision that the RGP took later in the year,		ompletely of the various bases put
23 so it was a process which we thought was the		orward, that the basis, the alleged basis, that
24 right one and which was borne out by	24 it	was impracticable to communicate with the
25 subsequent events.	25 su	uspect or obtain information from him. It
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1	was completely irrational. There was no	1	never be able to trust him again because I
2	reason to state that and there was certainly no	2	believed he had, as I have already stated in
3	evidence to support it, and the same applies	3	my earlier Affidavits, lied to me about the
4	to the risk of destruction. Then looking at	4	advice he had taken and received about the
5	the application, of course, there was just a	5	appropriateness of the execution of a search
6	mere statement of fear, or because he was a	6	warrant as opposed to a Production Order.
7	suspect, ergo there was a risk of destruction,	7	Mr Baglietto KC and I discussed at length
8	which was a complete non sequitur and	8	how best he should raise these issues in his
9	nothing to support those bare allegations.	9	representations of Mr Levy KC. We
10	Q. In terms of seeing the information, did	10	discussed whether Mr Levy KC should be
11	you see the information when it was	11	advised to judicially review the RGP's
12	disclosed to you by the RGP with the	12	actions in this respect. In this context, I
13	redactions or did you previously see the	13	believe (though I have no precise recollection
14	information from any other source?	14	of the detail of the discussion) that I would
15	A. I think it was sent to me under cover of a	15	have shared with Mr Baglietto KC also the
16	letter. I can't recall exactly when, but it was	16	fact that I was very open with the Gibraltar
17	definitely during that week, possibly within a	17	Police Authority and the then Governor that
18	couple of days that I saw the information	18	Mr McGrail no longer enjoyed my
19	which was highly redacted, but for my	19	confidence and my views as to the
20	purposes it was more than sufficient because	20	mechanisms to see Mr McGrail removed and
21	the parts that dealt with the alleged basis of	21	the consequences thereof." Do those
22	the warrant were not redacted or were largely	22	paragraphs accord with your recollection of
23	unredacted.	23	the exchanges with the Chief Minister?
24	Q. And did you feel at liberty to share	24	A. Right, where do we start, 12?
25	information on that redacted version with the	25	Q. Let's deal with them yes, 12.
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sure to what extent we had gone into a 1 recollection of that being said? 2 2 lengthy sort of discussion about it frankly. A. Of sending it on to Mr Levy? 3 Q. And then 14, he believes he would have 3 Q. No, no, of the Chief Minister telling you 4 4 shared with you also the fact that he was very about it? 5 open with the Gibraltar Police Authority. Do 5 A. I have no clear recollection for his 6 you remember him mentioning that? 6 Honour I am afraid, but I think it's entirely 7 A. I don't remember it. I mean, his 7 plausible that he did. It's just that it wasn't 8 statement is somewhat qualified. It says, "I 8 relevant to what I was doing. I was just 9 believe that I would have shared it." It is 9 focused on Mr Levy and getting the devices 10 slightly -- it's the sort of thing ... in other 10 back for him, or having them safeguarded 11 11 words, it's the sort of thing that he would and having his evidence dealt with in a less 12 have told me during these discussions, but I 12 draconian way. 13 have no issue with what he's saying. It's very 13 Q. We know that the Chief Minister first 14 14 possible that he did tell me what he had told raised his concerns with Dr Britto of the 15 15 the GPA and the Governor and what he GPA on 18 May 2020, so he could only have 16 16 thought the way of dealing with it was. But I shared with you his openness with the 17 17 mean, that's not something which was of any Gibraltar Polie Authority either on that date 18 sort of relevance to what I was doing, 18 or after that date. Do you recall 19 because I was just concerned with Mr Levy 19 conversations on 18 May or afterwards about 20 20 the Chief Minister's loss of confidence in Mr and the return of his equipment, of his 21 devices rather, and having the gathering of 21 McGrail? 22 22 A. On the 18th? No, I think that was the the evidence sought from him, dealt with on 23 a fair footing. I may not even have actually 23 Monday. 24 24 Q. That's the Monday. passed these comments by the Chief Minister 25 25 on to my legal team in fact. They don't A. That was the Monday, no, I honestly Page 111 Page 109 1 feature in the actual correspondence that 1 don't recall. 2 followed. It basically wasn't my business. It 2 Q. Or afterwards? 3 3 wasn't what I was doing. A. I don't recall, Mr Santos, I am sorry. 4 Q. Were you making any representations on 4 Q. Can we turn to B1422 please. 5 5 behalf of Mr Levy --A. Yes. 6 A. Not at all. 6 Q. We are back to the exchanges between 7 7 you and the Chief Minister over WhatsApp. Q. -- as to Mr McGrail's position? 8 8 A. Not at all. No representations, no advice, At 4.55 the Chief Minister says, "The last 9 nothing of the sort. 9 limb refers" and he sends a message that 10 10 Q. But would you not agree that a Chief says, "Dismissal with total loss or reduction 11 Minister sharing with you information about of pension benefits, forfeiture of pension 11 12 his views on the Commissioner of Police and 12 benefits will be used as a disciplinary 13 his discussions with the Gibraltar Police 13 measure only in O's", which seems to be a 14 Authority and the Governor and his 14 typo. 15 confidence and the mechanisms to see Mr 15 A. Cases, it must be cases. 16 McGrail removed was quite -- although you 16 Q. Cases, yes, I think that is right, where the 17 say it wasn't relevant to you -- momentous 17 police officer is convicted of treason or some 18 information. 18 other offence which is gravely injurious to 19 19 A. Well, he was obviously expressing his the State or is liable to lead to serious loss of 20 20 confidence in the police force. dissatisfaction. I don't think he would have 21 gone into any particular detail about it. He 21 A. Right. 22 would have just been venting it. 22 Q. And you reply an hour and-a-half later, 23 Q. Yes, but my point is that given the 23 "Many thanks." 24 24 A. Yes. momentous nature, the important nature of 25 that information, do you nevertheless have no 25 Q. Having looked that provision up, we Page 110 Page 112

found it to be a disciplinary measure that is 1 A. Yes. 2 2 available under the Police Regulations. Do THE CHAIRMAN: With the Chief Minister 3 3 saying "the last limb refers". He must be you know why the Chief Minister sent you a 4 4 message containing that provision? referring there to some previous exchange 5 A. No, I don't know what I would have made 5 which has gone on between you and the 6 6 Chief Minister? of that message at the time. I mean, he's 7 obviously drawing my attention to provisions 7 A. Yes, I see what you mean, Sir. Yes, it 8 8 looks like -- it's odd that it should just come that deal with misconduct on the part of 9 9 police officers. I have since reviewed the out of the blue. 10 10 relevant provisions which are the Police THE CHAIRMAN: That is precisely -- it 11 11 Discipline Regulations if I am not mistaken, wouldn't just come out of the blue, would it? 12 as I think you said in your opening address, 12 A. It may have, but I don't recall having any 13 Mr Santos, they expressly do not apply to the 13 discussion about disciplinary proceedings 14 14 **Commissioner or Assistant Commissioner of** against police officers. He may have 15 15 Police, as opposed to, for example, section mentioned it in a conversation and this may 16 16 34 of the Police Act, which specifically deals have been a follow up of that. I just don't 17 17 with the removal of the Commissioner of know. 18 Police. So, I don't know why he would have 18 THE CHAIRMAN: You mean like 19 19 sent it, but what I can tell you, and it's discussing it on the phone and then there is 20 20 obvious from the papers and hopefully in this this exchange? 21 bundle as well, is that in a letter that I wrote 21 A. It is possible. It's possible. I cannot 22 22 to the Magistrates' Court, copied to Mr discard that possibility. But in any event, it's 23 23 Richardson on 13 May, I referred to, I think not something which we were adopting or 24 24 it was, what we apprehended was a serious following up in any way. We were 25 25 abuse of power and also misfeasance I think. concentrating on a public law remedy and a Page 113 Page 115 1 Again, I know this has been misunderstood 1 potential tortious remedy, not a statutory in subsequent meetings as misfeasance in the 2 2 disciplinary remedy, and the same applies to 3 3 criminal sense, but I wasn't suggesting that. I section 76 of the Police Act, which he then 4 4 was suggesting the tort of misfeasance in refers to. 5 5 public office. Now, I don't know whether the MR SANTOS: We will turn to that next. 6 Chief Minister somehow became aware of 6 So, is your position that you can't recall 7 7 anything that you discussed beforehand the fact that I was raising issues of 8 8 misfeasance by individual officers, and it which might have prompted the Chief 9 9 may have been in that context that he thought Minister to send this to you? 10 10 that that provision might be relevant. So in A. I'm afraid I can't, no. 11 11 no way would I have understood it, I think, to Q. Is it possible that the Chief Minister was 12 have referred to the Commissioner of Police. 12 referring to some sort of punishment against 13 Q. The provision itself that is quoted, it 13 either Mr McGrail or any other officers 14 14 quotes a disciplinary measure that is only to involved in Operation Delhi? 15 15 be used in cases where the police officer is A. I wouldn't have thought Mr McGrail 16 16 convicted of treason or some other offence because otherwise he would have drawn my 17 which is gravely injurious to the State or is 17 attention to section 34, having been 18 18 liable to lead to serious loss of confidence in conscious of the primary legislation to which 19 19 the police force. he referred in the next message. 20 A. Yes. Well, I think "or is liable to lead to 20 Q. But the other officers? 21 21 serious loss of confidence in the police force" A. Other officers, yes. I mean, if he was of 22 22 is consonant with misfeasance in public the view that other officers might have 23 23 office. seriously misbehaved in relation to the 24 24 THE CHAIRMAN: But that exchange starts warrant or otherwise, he might have thought 25 25 off at 16.55. that relevant. Page 114 Page 116

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2	give, as far as you are aware, any powers to	2	assist the Inquiry with that. I really am sorry.
3	the Chief Minister to discipline officers?	3	I wish I could.
4	A. I'm sorry, I haven't read the whole lot.Q. Did you think it was appropriate for the	4 5	MR SANTOS: You say, "Let me think about
5		5	this provision" A. Yes.
6	Chief Minister to be sending this provision to	6	
7	you.	7	Q. " but we'd prefer not to go not to
8	A. Well, I didn't form a view on its	8	have to go to court but for CPO to return due
9	appropriateness and it is more a matter for	9	to clear unlawfulness." Why did you prefer
10	him and he will know what his red lines area.	10	not to go to court?
11	I mean, people sometimes offer suggestions	11 12	A. Well, we didn't want to have to go to
12 13	and then I look at them and I take them on	13	court with all guns blazing if we could
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14	this would even have gone before my legal	14	forward to deal with the question of
15 16	team.	15 16	obtaining evidence from Mr Levy. As I think
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17		17	publicity, the cost and all the work involved
18	A. Yes.	18	in having to go to court.
19	Q. Which is a provision permitting an	19	Q. Were you content to have suggestions of
20	application to the Magistrates' Court by a	20	this nature put to you by the Chief Minister?
21	person whose property has been taken by the	21	A. Content? Well, I mean, I didn't
22	police under a statutory provision to seek its	22	particularly object to them. I suppose any
23	return. Did you understand there the Chief	23	suggestion is welcome when you're in a
24	Minister well, your response to that is,	24	situation like that. Obviously, you might
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4	MR SANTOS: Sorry, Mr Baglietto, I still	4	you the benefit of it, can we just go to the
5	have a substantial number of questions so I	5	previous page, 29 May 2020 from the
6	think we will have to pick up again at 2	6	Director of Public Prosecutions to you and
7	o'clock.	7	Mr Bonfante?
8	A. Did you say about half an hour, Mr	8	A. Yes.
9	Santos?	9	Q. In the final paragraph it says: "You
10	Q. Well, I said half an hour at least.	10	should be pleased to know that we are in the
11	A. At least.	11	process of finalising a further version of the
12	Q. Probably between half an hour and 45	12	RGP's application for the search warrant
13	minutes.	13	which slightly scales back the extent of the
14	A. But 2 o'clock then?	14	redactions made to the document which was
15	Q. Two o'clock.	15	
16	THE CHAIRMAN: 2 o'clock.	1	provided to you on 27 May 2020? A. Yes.
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20	(14.01)	20	to you on 27 May 2020. So, I just want to
21	MR SANTOS: Good afternoon, Mr	21	give you the opportunity to revisit what you
22	Baglietto?	22	said before
23	A. Afternoon.	23	A. Sure.
24	Q. Just a couple of points to pick up from	24	Q the lunch break, because there was a
25	this morning. One thing is that you say that	25	suggestion that some of the discussions
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3	go to the schedule one to basically conclude	3	not mistaken on the Saturday, Mr Richardson
4	that the warrant was grossly insufficient,	4	sends us the - sends me, rather, the pre-
5	because all that added was the evidence of	5	interview disclosure. That is exhibit
6	the lack of substantiation of the allegations	6	HJML/3, and he does so by email. I don't
7	that it was impracticable to communicate	7	think I would have pinged that over to Mr
8	with the person holding the information and	8	Levy straightaway because I thought the
9	then the risk or the fear of destruction and	9	Sabbath had not yet ended, and even though I
10	then, as I mentioned this morning, that non	10	know he is not going to read it, in deference I
11	sequitur of "he's a suspect; ergo there's a	11	don't actually like sending him something
12	risk". I don't know if that helps at all.	12	during the Sabbath. So, I may have sent it to him a bit later and I must have had a
13	Q. Now, moving to B1/422	13	
14	A. Yes.	14	conversation with him that evening, and
15	Q. 16 May, if we can go down a little bit?	15	following that conversation or subsequent to
16	A. Yes.	16	that conversation, and possibly consequent
17	Q. There is one message on 16 May where	17	upon it, I sent that WhatsApp to the Chief
18	you say, "Bro, sorry to disturb but can we	18	Minister. That, I think, explains why I sent it
19	speak sometime tomorrow morning."?	19	so late in the day.
20	A. Yes.	20	Q. Why did you think that you - why do you
21	Q. Do you have the type of relationship with	21	think, or perhaps first try and tell us from
22	the Chief Minister where you refer to him as	22	recollection - why did you have to speak the
23	"bro"?	23	next morning, a Sunday morning?
24	A. I don't always refer to him as "bro"	24	A. That is what I cannot recall, and I have
25	obviously but there may be times where I	25	said it in my witness statement. It is
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2	this meeting until I read the WhatsApps	2	Q. So, the meeting did not take place at
3	recently provided to me. When I did get	3	midday?
4	them, I did realise - I did remember that I did	4	A. No, so 10 minutes after the time that was
5	actually drive Mr Levy up to Mr Picardo's	5	originally planned, he is asking: "How are
6	house on that Sunday, and I also managed to	6	you getting on?" I don't know whether it's
7	glean the fact that mid-morning we had - that	7	that I didn't see the message or that I told him
8	is Mr Picardo, Mr Bonfante and myself - had	8	by phone that we were delayed, or what
9	a telephone conference with leading counsel	9	happened there. But in any event, I updates
10	in London. I wouldn't want to say what it	10	him at 14:03 by saying: "I'm picking up [Mr
11	was about because that would be privileged	11	Levy now." Because I can't remember
12	obviously.	12	whether Mr Levy actually joined the call in
13	Q. Relating to this matter or not relating to	13	the office or remotely. It may be that he did
14	this matter?	14	come to the office, but then had to go home
15	A. Oh, relating to this matter, yes.	15	for whatever reason before we had that
16	Q. Sorry, you said Mr Picardo?	16	meeting.
17	A. I am so sorry. I didn't meant Mr Picardo.	17	Q. If we go to Picardo/4, A1/448, paragraphs
18	No, I meant, Mr Levy, Mr Bonfante and	18	15-18?
19	myself. I'm so sorry.	19	A. Yes.
20	Q. So there is a phone call at 9.44.51. We	20	Q. What Mr Picardo says is: "I recall seeing
21	do not know exactly what was said on that	21	Mr Levy KC also at this time on one
22	phone call but at least it included, it appears,	22	occasion with Mr Baglietto KC. I believe I
23	plan to meet shortly thereafter?	23	saw him at my home (the security of which
24	A. Yes.	24	is, incidentally, provided by OSG who have a
25	Q. Then at 12 noon he says Then there are	25	live video feed of all comings and goings
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4	Q. Just focusing on 17, because he mentions	4	investigation or as to his devices?
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6	A. Yes.	6	found that quite surprising actually.
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9	been in our view, for the RGP to have	9	such as reduction of pension benefits or
10	proceeded by way of search warrant	10	anything like that?
11	A. Yes.	11	A. I certainly don't recall that. If I recalled
12	Q and not Production Order." Do you	12	anything in that respect, I would tell you but
13	recall something to that effect?	13	I really don't.
14	A. No, but that wasn't surprising. There	14	Q. Did he discuss measures which would be
15	would have been comments on that. I think	15	taken to discipline or dismiss Mr McGrail?
16	Mr Levy said yesterday that it was all much	16	A. Again, my answer is the same. I simply
17	more high level about police methods. I	17	do not recall.
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25	A. I'm afraid not, no.	25	It old Mr Levy KC in that meeting that I
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2	Minister or not, but certainly my focus on	2	A. 14:51, I very much doubt that I would
3	that day was on the - on the legal issues.	3	have emailed the Attorney General from the
4	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, that is the point.	4	Chief Minister's house. I would have
5	Surely his focus would have been precisely	5	emailed him after dropping off Mr Levy. So,
6	on that as wells?	6	if you work it out, it doesn't really give much
7	A. Yes.	7	time at Mr Levy's house, and basically I
8	THE CHAIRMAN: But it was not, so it	8	think I probably emailed the Attorney
9	would seem?	9	General when I did because we had rushed
10	A. Well, Mr Picardo and Mr Levy seem to	10	straight from the conference with leading
11	recollect that the main purpose of the	11	counsel to Mr Picardo's house, and that was -
12	meeting was the Community Care Trust and I	12	this was the first opportunity I had after that,
13	simply have no recollection. I have not had	13	after that conference with counsel, to write to
14	any occasion to apply my memory to that day	14	the Attorney General saying: look, we -
15	until asked by the Inquiry fairly recently.	15	whatever it is I told him - seeking
16	THE CHAIRMAN: anyway, it is his	16	confirmation
17	recollection that that was the subject	17	Q. Yes?
18	A. Yes, his and Mr Picardo's as well.	18	A because we had got because of course
19	THE CHAIRMAN: It is not yours?	19	the message that we got from Mr Richardson
20	A. No, it isn't.	20	the night before was slightly conflicting
21	MR SANTOS: Whatever the purpose of that	21	because it was proceeding on the basis that
22	meeting might have been, certainly the issue	22	there would be an interview under caution on
23	of the search warrant was discussed at that	23	the Monday morning, whereas on the other
24	meeting?	24	hand I had had an indication that the police
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2	Q. "I think it reassured him a lot."	2	had or not advised, I suppose that was not a
3	A. Yeah.	3	public matter. But I off the top of my head
4	Q. "him", there	4	I can't think of anything else that would
5	A. Was Mr Levy.	5	THE CHAIRMAN: Just look at that
6	Q presumably Mr Levy?	6	sequence of messages again.
7	A. Yeah, yeah.	7	A. Yes.
8	Q. And reassurance, what did the Chief	8	THE CHAIRMAN: 22.47, the image of the
9	Minister say that reassured Mr Levy a lot?	9	highlighted extract from the report is sent to
10	A. I can't I cannot remember, but	10	you.
11	obviously if the — if they were discussing	11	A. Yeah.
12	Community Care and whether he should go	12	THE CHAIRMAN: With the comment,
13	or not, and the Chief Minister had reassured	13	"Boom" (?).
14	Mr Levy that he hadn't lost confidence in	14	A. Yeah.
15	him, or that he wouldn't be he wouldn't	15	THE CHAIRMAN: That is at 22.48. The
16	lose the confidence of the public or the	16	image is sent at 22.47, and then the message
17	beneficiaries, if I can put it in inverted	17	at 22.48: that is page 13 of the HMIC report
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19	have been quite reassuring to Mr Levy. I	19	A. Yes.
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21	Levy said yesterday, if I'm not mistaken.	21	highlighted in red. "Boom". And, at 23.02
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8	A. Yes.	8	A. I consider that it was appropriate for me,
9	THE CHAIRMAN: And, that exchange is	9	in pursuit of my client's interests, to make
10	about the Community Care home, is it?	10	whatever representations I could to whoever
11	A. Well, "Shocking, but sadly it doesn't	11	was involved in discussions and meetings
12	come as a surprise" is obviously about the	12	concerning the search warrants and the
13	report. Then I thank him for his time with	13	methods being applied to obtain evidence. I
14	Mr Levy today, and I think "it", well, the	14	considered it entirely appropriate for me to
15	meeting or what transpired at the meeting,	15	make those representations, yes. I don't
16	reassured him a lot. THE CHAIRMAN: No	16	consider that I was breaching any rules in
17		17	doing so.
18	A. The way I interpret I see it as referring	18	Q. And, did it cross your mind whether the
19	to two different things.	19	Chief Minister making these suggestions on a
20	THE CHAIRMAN: "it" there refers, if you	20	number of matters to a suspect in a live
21	are right, to the exchange you had about the	21	criminal investigation was appropriate or
22	Community Care home. Is that really what	22	inappropriate?
23	you are saying?	23	A. Well, he would have to be aware of his
24	A. Now, what I'm saying is, from the "sadly	24	read lines, and I'm afraid that I have to
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3	relationship A. No, I don't think my relationship is any	3	not inter partes, but a file note between the
5	closer with Mr Picardo than that of the Chief	4 5	parties for a particular meeting, or discussion, or whatever.
6	Minister. I'm a bit younger than Mr Levy,		Q. The thing is that some of these meetings
7	but they still are quite I don't think that's an	6 7	could be described as fairly momentous, so
8	issue.	8	do you regret not taking notes of the
9	Q. No messages have been disclosed to the	9	meetings?
10	Inquiry between Mr Levy and the Chief	10	A. I have no particular regrets, and I can't
11	Minister. Did Mr Levy ever show you	11	think of any meeting that would I mean,
12	messages that he had received from the Chief	12	nobody had this Inquiry in mind at the time,
13	Minister?	13	and for the purposes of what I was doing
14	A. Not that I can recall.	14	what I had already documented in
15	Q. You can see, at the very end of that	15	correspondence was more than enough to get
16	exchange there are two messages where the	16	me going if I then wanted to bring a claim
17	Chief Minister says that he has sent the same	17	(on behalf of my client, obviously).
18	HMIC extract to Mr Levy.	18	Q. Did you take any notes of your meetings
19	A. Yeah.	19	and calls with the Chief Minister, the
20	Q. Do you know whether that would have	20	Attorney General or the DPP during this
21	gone via email or via WhatsApp?	21	period, as far as you are aware?
22	A. I have no idea how that might have gone,	22	A. I don't know (?), I may have as I said
23	Mr Santos.	23	this morning, I may have taken notes, I may
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2	warrant or to Mr McGrail's retirement	2	A. No, I don't have a note of that meeting.
3	A. Retirement.	3	Q. Alright. I want to ask you now about 36
4	Q are you able to say that it does not	4	North. Now, 36 North (just correct me if I
5	relate at all to the Inquiry's terms of	5	am wrong on this) was part-owned,
6	reference?	6	indirectly, by the Hassans equity partners, is
7	A. I'm not sure that I could say that. I'm not	7	that right?
8	I'm not sure that I could say that without	8	A. Yes, 36 Yes, well, yes in part, yes, part
9	giving it further thought.	9	of it
10	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, I think you should	10	Q. And 36 North had been loaned a sum of
11 12	give it further thought A. Yeah.	11 12	money by Hassans, in the tune of about, I
13	THE CHAIRMAN: in that case, and get	13	think £460,000. Is that right?
13	back to us when you have thought it through.	14	A. I honestly don't know, I haven't I haven't I've gleamed all this from Mr
15	A. Yeah.	15	Levy's witness statement, but I'm not familiar
16	Q. Yes, perhaps we could follow that up.	16	outside of
17	A. Yes, exactly. We'd need to look at the	17	THE CHAIRMAN: He was asked (?) about
18	terms of reference closely	18	this, and he said: I learnt that afterwards.
19	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.	19	Q. Yes.
20	A and see whether they fall squarely	20	A. Yeah.
21	within the terms (?)	21	THE CHAIRMAN: We have covered this.
22	THE CHAIRMAN: And seek advice, if you	22	Q. Now at the time, in May 2019, when the
23	think you need to.	23	founders of 36 North were arrested, do you
24	A. Yes, yes, exactly. Anyway, I just thought	24	maintain that the partners of Hassans did not
25	it was the right thing to	25	have a detailed discussion about what on
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4	I am more than happy to show it to	4	whether you provide guidance or training to
5	Q. Fixing a time for which meeting?	5	trainees or junior solicitors about record
6	A. For the meeting that I had with the DPP	6	management?
7	referred to in the correspondence where he	7	A. I think we provide some sort of training
8	showed me a less redacted version of the	8	but, yes, I am not involved in the training
9	schedule 1 to the warrant application.	9	side it. There is some form of training for
10	Q. So this is a meeting that happened in May	10	that sort of thing.
11	2020?	11	Q. Is it right to say that it is very important
12	A. It happened on 1 or 2 June.	12	when you are a litigator to retain records of
13	Q. 1 or 2 June?	13	cases?
14	A. Yes.	14	A. It depends on the record, it depends on
15	Q. So is it right to say that neither you or Mr	15	the litigation, it depends on whether the
16	Levy or indeed anybody at Hassans has	16	litigation is extant and the nature of the
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19	messages or the meetings, in terms of	19	- I mean, I would have thought it is self-
20	meeting notes, that were taking place with	20	evident to any solicitor or barrister but you
21	Mr Picardo, Mr Llamas and Mr Rocca from	21	might be sued later down the line for
22	12 May onwards?	22	professional negligence or breach of contract,
23	A. No attendance notes.	23	something like that, is that right?
24	Q. No, and no messages?	24	A. Yes, that is right and one takes forms a
25	A. Messages, well, I have messages as in	25	judgment as to when it is likely to be useful
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2	Q. Yes.	2	A. He could benefit from the transaction.
3	A. If I thought especially unless I foresaw	3	Q. Yes, and you knew all or that at the time,
4	that there was going to be no further risk of	4	did you not, on 12 May?
5	any comeback, frankly.	5	A. Well, as I said this morning, I really was
6	Q. You are a litigator, are you not? There is	6	not thinking about that at all because my
7	not unless well, there is never no risk	7	focus was on the search warrant. I wasn't
8	of comeback a few months after a case	8	thinking about what possible benefit one
9	concludes, is there?	9	might derive from this company which, to
10	A. Well, I didn't expect to be sued by Mr	10	my mind, wasn't really doing very much. I
11	Levy in relation to this matter.	11	mean, it just was not on my radar at all. I
12	Q. If a trainee came up to you and said, "Mr	12	think it needs to be appreciated, as I said this
13	Baglietto, my case has just finished, I'm	13	morning, this was a bombshell, we had to
14	going to delete all of my messages relating to	14	deal with it very quickly and the last thing I
15	that case now, it finished a few weeks ago,"	15	
		16	was thinking about was any possible profit
16 17	what would you say?		that anybody might get. I mean, the fact is
	A. I would have I would sit down with	17	that our offices had been had visited on by
18	that person and try and understand why.	18	the police using a very extreme measure in
19	THE CHAIRMAN: I have got the point	19	all the circumstances and I wanted to get that
20	about the notes, Mr Wagner.	20	redressed.
21	MR WAGNER: (To the witness): And if	21	Q. Do you think the fact that you were so
22	you said that there was if you knew that	22	impacted by what was happening at Hassans
23	there was litigation in reasonable	23	would that have been a good reason to not
24	contemplation, would you preserve the	24	act for Mr Levy and pass it on to someone
25	documentation	25	who would not be distracted by the
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1	THE CHAIRMAN: I have got the point.	1	bombshell that had blown up in Hassans
2	THE WITNESS: If there was of course I	2	offices?
3	would.	3	A. This was a very Gibraltar is a very
4	THE CHAIRMAN: You need not pursue	4	small place. One doesn't want word
5	this point, I have got the point.	5	spreads very quickly. This is a matter that
6	MR WAGNER: Very well. (To the	6	had to be dealt with discretely and
7	witness): I want to ask you about your	7	sensitively. At the same time we
8	conversations with the Chief Minister. On	8	acknowledged that we needed to have
9	12 May Mr Picardo was not just the Chief	9	independent advice from someone who was
10	Minister he was also a partner at Hassans on	10	quite detached and would not get as
11	sabbatical?	11	emotionally wrapped up in it as we might,
12	A. Yes.	12	although I do not consider myself a person
13	Q. Right?	13	who would get particularly emotionally
14	A. Yes.	14	who would get particularly emotionally wrapped up about their cases but that is by
		15	
15	Q. He was also a close personal friend of Mr		the bye, and nor is Mr Bonfante. So we saw
16	Levy. Is that right?	16	no issue in dealing with it in the way that we did as a team.
17	A. Yes.	17	
18	Q. And he was also your close personal	18	Q. Because you wanted to keep it
19	friend?	19	confidential?
20	A. Yes.	20	A. Look, well, of course we didn't want to
21	Q. And a shareholder in 36 North?	21	start instructing other law firms on it.
22	A. Yes, ultimate beneficiary I suppose.	22	Q. You said that the purpose you were
23	Q. An ultimate beneficiary, yes, and,	23	asked what you were hoping to achieve by
24	therefore, at that time he was someone who	24	talking to the Chief Minister?
25	could potentially benefit from the fraud that	25	A. Yes.
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1	Q. You said in evidence this morning that	1	danger to your client if you obtained
2	you wanted to see to what extent he could	2	information even if inadvertently that Mr
3	shed some light on what happened?	3	Picardo had received on a confidential basis
4	A. Yes.	4	from the police?
5	Q. Why would the Chief Minister in	5	A. I am sure that this was a matter that was
6	particular be able to shed light on what had	6	canvassed within my legal team and we acted
7	happened?	7	with the benefit of advice. I can't recall what
8	A. Well, he had spoken to Mr Levy the	8	the advice was at the time and, in any event,
9	previous on the 12th and he had obviously	9	that would be privileged of course.
10	heard what was going on	10	Q. Did you ever consider there would be a
11	Q. He obviously what? Heard?	11	danger to Mr Picardo, your close friend and
12	A. He had heard what had happened and, as	12	business partner and Hassans partner
13	I said, that has been borne out by the	13	when he started talking to you about
14	transcripts of the meetings that took place	14	removing the Commissioner of Police?
15	between him and Mr McGrail and the	15	A. That's a matter he obviously felt
16	Attorney General.	16	strongly about that. That was a matter for
17	Q. Yes, but you were looking to get	17	him. It wasn't it was none of my business.
18	information from him that Mr Levy had	18	Q. Did you say that to him?
19	given him, were you, because you already	19	A. I am not sure whether I did or not but the
20	knew that?	20	fact is that it was not what I was doing and if
21	A. Well, I would have known that unless of	21	he wanted to vent his frustration or
22	course unless of course that information to	22	dissatisfaction with me, well, that is fine.
23	do with the DPP not having advised what	23	Q. Do you agree that if the Commissioner of
24	came directly to me. I just can't remember	24	Police was being told that his job is on the
25	what information I got from whom article the	25	line by the Chief Minister because of the
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1	time but I was just trying to get as much	1	search warrant, that would self-evidently put
2	background information as possible to help	2	the Commissioner of Police under some
3	me to help bolster any application that we	3	pressure?
4	might make.	4	A. I don't know what I was told at the time
5	Q. So you were not asking him for	5	and I don't want to indulge in speculation.
6	information that you already knew or could	6	Q. Do you agree now, looking back on it,
7	get publicly, you were asking him for	7	that if the Commissioner of Police was being
8	information that he had potentially obtained	8	told that his job was on the line because of
9	privately. Is that fair?	9	the search warrant, that would put him under
10	A. I was asking for whatever information he	10	some pressure?
11	could he felt he could give me and he	11	A. That it would put who under some
12	would be aware of his boundaries and what	12	pressure?
13	he felt it proper to give me in the	13	Q. The Commissioner?
14	circumstances and that is all.	14	A. The Commissioner. I imagine it would,
15	Q. Did you consider that the Chief Minister	15	yes, but, as I say, it's not something that I
16	might be privy to information which he had	16	was engaged in.
17	obtained privately from the police?	17	Q. No, but were you not concerned at all that
18	A. I may have considered it but, ultimately,	18	when you heard that the Commissioner of
19 20	it was a matter for him what he thought he	19	Police was taking potentially going to get
20	would be able to properly share with me. I	20 21	rid of the sorry, that the Chief Minister
21 22	was just trying to obtain information and evidence on behalf of my client like I would	21 22	was potentially going to get rid of the Commissioner of Police, that he, as not just
23	in any other case.	23	Chief Minister but also as a Hassans partner,
24	Q. Was it just a matter for him because did	24	a beneficiary of 36 North, a friend of Mr
25	you consider at all whether it might be a	25	Levy, might be crossing some red lines
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1	whilst also talking to you about the search	1	A. Right.
2	warrant?	2	Q. And you did not know about that?
3	A. I was not thinking about that at the time.	3	A. I may have known about it at the time but
4	My focus was on Mr Levy. He needed to get	4	I attached no importance to it in relation to
5	his statement done and he got it done.	5	<u></u>
6	Q. I want to ask you about WhatsApp. You	6	Q. Did you know that Mr McGrail retired in
7	say that you routinely clear out old chats.	7	the immediate aftermath of the warrant
8	How routinely?	8	against Mr Levy?
9	A. It depends, it is quite random.	9	A. I know he retired obviously I know
10	Q. And so you have got messages with the	10	that he retired in June some time.
11	Chief Minister going back to 2021, you said?	11	Q. Did you know that the retirement was
12	A. That's right.	12	connected to the warrant involving Mr Levy?
13	Q. So you have not cleared them out for the	13	A. No, I didn't know what the reason for the
14	last three years?	14	retirement was.
15	A. That's right.	15	Q. I did not ask you that; I asked you
16	Q. When you say "clear out" do you mean	16	whether you knew it was connected?
17	delete?	17	A. No.
18	A. I just delete old chats, yes, old chats	18	Q. The Chief Minister has given ed to this
19	because there may be all sorts of material in	19	Inquiry that he was discussing with you,
20	any chat with anybody. It could be a very	20	whilst he had meetings about the warrant, the
21	personal chat, very private things and I just	21	removal of the Commissioner of Police. You
22	don't like having them on my phone, frankly,	22	must have known at that point that the two
23	unless I feel they might be needed.	23	things were connected?
24	Q. When exactly did you delete	24	A. They may have been part connected in
25	A. I can't remember.	25	part but there may have been other factors
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3	reason why		slightest concern and I have made that very clear in my evidence this morning.
4	A. That may have been part of the reason	4	Q. The WhatsApp with Mr Rocca?
5	why	5	* * *
6	Q. And you knew that at the time, did you	6	A. No, the ones that have been put to me
7	not?	7	with the Chief Minister.
8	A. I don't know what I knew I don't know	8	Q. With Mr Picardo, but those have been
9	what I knew at the time. I can't possibly say	9	provided by Mr Picardo, they have not been
10	what I knew at the time, I am sorry.	10	provided by you.
11	Q. I am going to suggest to you that	11	A. No, that is right.
12	knowing that the two things were connected	12	Q. So if we did not have them from Mr
13	and also knowing around the time that the	13	Picardo, we would not have them at all?
14	Chief Minister announced that there was	14	A. No, you could not have, that is right.
15	going to be a public inquiry, you then went	15	Q. No.
16	on to delete all of your relevant messages	16	A. But the suggestion that I deliberately
17	with Mr Picardo	17	deleted those WhatsApps because of the
18	A. I am sorry, that is a deeply offensive and	18	Inquiry, that suggestion is, I am afraid,
19	hurtful allegation to make against me	19	completely incorrect.
20	because that is not the deletion of those	20	Q. I am not making that suggestion, Mr
21	emails had nothing to do with the	21	Baglietto.
22	announcement of the Inquiry at all.	22	A. That is the only way I can interpret it, but
23	Q. I did not suggest that. I just said that I	23	that is fine.
24	was just pointing out the sequence.	24	Q. I just want to go to clarify something
25	A. I have to take great exception to that. I	25	that you said before at C3523, please.
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3	Q. Have you had any communication with	3	A. I think you had better ask him.
4	any of those 19 individuals?	4	Q. Was there a plan at the time that Hassans
5	A. Not at all, no. I have kept well away	5	would be dealing with the legal side and the
6	from that.	6	Chief Minister would be focused on
7	Q. You have kept away from it?	7	pressuring the police?
8	A. Of course, yes.	8	A. There was no plan at all. I was squarely
9	Q. So you have not liaised with the team	9	and solely focused on a legal challenge and
10	A. Absolutely not.	10	there was no plan or other type of
11	Q representing	11	arrangement or understanding that there
12	A. No.	12	would be some sort of parallel procedures.
13	Q. Just in relation to you referred I think	13	Q. Finally, the new message, the one that
14	to and Mr Levy also referred to this as	14	you disclosed yesterday from your
15	well, a potential I think it was a civil	15 16	A. Yes. [1430:10] Q. And SMSs, you said you tracked that
16	action that is being prepared?	17	
17	A. He may have referred to it but I don't	18	down yesterday "I believe." Was it
18	want to comment further on what he might	19	yesterday? A. Yes.
19 20	have in contemplation.Q. Has that civil action been in consultation	20	A. 1 es. Q. It was yesterday?
21	since the events of May and June 2020?	21	A. Yes.
22	A. I am not going to comment on it because	22	MR WAGNER: Thank you.
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3	A. Yes.	3	the outrage that you expressed that your
4	Q. What information has he imparted to you	4	client had and that you have said repeatedly
5	or, to your knowledge, Mr Levy about the	5	was gross abuse and all of these things, it
6	investigation?	6	never did occur to you to have sight of the
7	A. None.	7	underlying information?
8	Q. And turning finally before I sit down to	8	A. The underlying information?
9	the Attorney General, has the Attorney	9	Q. Yes.
10	General showed any reluctance whatsoever	10	A. Of course. We asked for the underlying
11	to engage with you about the issues that you	11	information.
12	wanted to discuss with him in relation to the	12	Q. The information as in the application for
13	warrant and your complaints about it?	13	the warrant. So, when you were sending
14	A. He has shown no reluctance.	14	these letters making accusations of abuse and
15	Q. Thank you.	15	let us say your letter of 13 May, misfeasance
16	MR CRUZ: Sir, if I may have a few	16	in public office
17	moments to ask a few questions on behalf of	17	A. Yes.
18	the RGP?	18	Q and all of these extraordinary
19	THE CHAIRMAN: A few moments.	19	allegations, at that point you had no
20	MR CRUZ: Well -	20	knowledge whatsoever of any of the
21	THE CHAIRMAN: A few minutes.	21	underlying evidential issues?
22	MR CRUZ: A few minutes, yes.	22	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, none, had been
23	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.	23	disclosed to him at that stage.
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4	knowledge.	4	progressed a judicial review had you decided
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6	document to see that it was completely	6	A. Well, to a large extent, we made rather
7	unmerited.	7	good progress actually in that period. We got
8	Q. I see, okay. And Mr Baglietto, your firm,	8	some assurances from the Commissioner of
9	I think you said, Mr Bonfante, is experienced	9	Police. Mr Levy was allowed to give a
10	in judicial review and you had the benefit of	10	voluntary statement not under caution and I
11	counsel from the UK as well, some specialist	11	am not going to go any further into why, and
12	in public law matters?	12	the circumstances, we decided not to pursue
13	A. Yes, yes.	13	judicial review.
14	Q. And you have, I think it is not a secret,	14	Q. So, the alternative route with your two
15	conducted a recent judicial review in relation	15	friends, the Attorney General and the Chief
16	to another lawyer in circumstances.	16	Minister, produced the results that may have
17	A. Mm.	17	meant you did not need to progress the
18	Q. Are you experienced in all of this?	18	judicial review?
19	A. Experienced in what?	19	A. No, it was not a case of my two friends.
20	Q. In judicial review and the sort of	20	It is a case of the fact that we put forward a
21	challenges that one might make to warrants	21	very strong case to show why in all fairness
22	and all the rest?	22	we ought to be given - Mr Levy ought to be
23	A. I have some experience in judicial	23	given - the opportunity to provide a
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1	talk about them because they are still alive.	1	which police disclosure are you referring to?
2	A. Well, they are still - I think Mr Levy has	2	A. We got some disclosure from the police
3	made reference -	3	last year which I think they felt unable to
4	Q. Yesterday he gave indications of the -	4	give us until the whole Operation Delhi
5	(inaudible) claims.	5	investigation was concluded and within that
6	A. But I am not going to talk about them.	6	disclosure there is material which -
7	Q. No, I understand that, but given that they	7	Q. And - Yes, I am sorry.
8	were still alive, when you say matters were	8	A. No, no, I was just saying that there is
9	sort of all over by October, that litigation was	9	material in that disclosure which could be
10	pending or you had contemplated you would	10	very relevant.
11	not have got rid of any material. Do you	11	Q. But is that disclosure that you received
12	want to rethink your answer, given that those	12	from the inquiry?
13	claims originally made on 13 May 2020 seem	13	A. No, no, not from the inquiry.
14	to have continued to live?	14	Q. Oh, sorry.
15	A. We had the material that we would need	15	A. No, from the police directly.
16	and in fact a lot of material has come out of	16	Q. I am sorry, I just wanted to clarify.
17	the course of this inquiry, which we did not	17	A. No, no, from the police directly.
18	have at the time and has resulted in police	18	Q. Thank you.
	disclosure, which did not exist at the time,	19	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
19 20		20	THE CHAIRMAN: Okay, thank you very much.
	and which has, as you put it, kept alive the	1	
21	possibility of other actions, but as I say -	21	MR SANTOS: Thank you very much.
22	Q. It is my last question.	22	(The witness withdrew)
23	A. I don't want to talk about what -	23	THE CHAIRMAN: Tomorrow, DPP?
24	Q. It is my last question, Mr Baglietto, but I	24	MR SANTOS: Correct, yes, at 10 o'clock.
25	think the point that I am trying to make is	25	THE CHAIRMAN: Which will finish
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1	that you have indicated that if you were	1	tomorrow?
2	aware of proceedings - I do not think you	2	MR SANTOS: We will have to, yes. The
3	were limiting them to criminal proceedings -	3	most exciting element of the inquiry is
4	you would not have got rid of information	4	everybody deciding the order in which they
5	and I am just asking you whether in the light	5	wish to question a witness. I would ask for
6	of the fact that those proceedings get	6	liaison -
7	threatened on 13 May 2020 and alive as of	7	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, well I am going to
8	yesterday's evidence certainly and even yours	8	ask you to try and sort that out.
9	today, do you want to rethink the answer	9	SIR PETER CARUANA: Sir, may I say that
10	about the removal of all those WhatsApps	10	the real issue is not so much about the order,
11	from your WhatsApps phone?	11	difficult as it is, although we have struggled
12	A. Those WhatsApps were neither here nor	12	through a previous witness.
13	there for the purposes of any such	13	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes.
14	proceedings in our view.	14	SIR PETER CARUANA: The difficulty is
15	MR CRUZ: Thank you.	15	not so much about the order but about the
16	MR SANTOS: Just one further question, a	16	allocation of time. Now, without an
17	follow-up to an answer that Mr Baglietto has	17	indication of how long CTI is going to be -
18	just given.	18	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, you will get that.
19	Questioned by MR SANTOS	19	SIR PETER CARUANA: We have no idea
20	Q. I think I heard you say that you have	20	how much we are sharing out between us.
21	information and disclosure that you did not	21	THE CHAIRMAN: Well, hang on. You
22	previously have as a result of this inquiry and	22	will get an idea about that.
23	you referred to police disclosure.	23	MR SANTOS: I would anticipate that I will
24	A. Yes.	24	need no more than half a day. It sounds like
25	Q. When you refer to the police disclosure,	25	that is not acceptable to Sir Peter.
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1	SIR PETER CARUANA: No, no.	
2	MR SANTOS: But I think that is our best	
3	estimate, no more than half a day.	
4	THE CHAIRMAN: Okay.	
5	MR SANTOS: I can probably give more of	
6	an indication once I have looked at things.	
	THE CHAIRMAN: I understand that.	
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8	MR SANTOS: It has been a very intense	
9	week.	
10	THE CHAIRMAN: Say, half past 12?	
11	MR SANTOS: Half past 12. I am happy to	
12	commit to half past 12 yes, and that would	
13	leave three hours of questioning to be shared.	
14	SIR PETER CARUANA: Yes.	
15	MR SANTOS: What I would ask is that the	
16	participants engage and -	
17	THE CHAIRMAN: Yes, well we can sort	
18	the order out and then they can sort	
19	prioritisation out.	
20	MR SANTOS: On this occasion there is no	
21	re-examination by a lawyer on behalf of a	
22	witness.	
23	THE CHAIRMAN: I am quite confident that	
24	you will all have a fair share.	
25	MR SANTOS: Yes, thank you.	
23	WIN SANTOS. Tes, thank you.	
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1	THE CHAIRMAN: I will ensure that.	
2	Okay, thank you.	
3	(Adjourned until 10 a.m. on Friday 19 April	
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