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- 1 (Thereupon, the following proceedings were held:)
- THE COURT: Please be seated.
- 3 Calling Case Number 13-20690, criminal, of the United
- 4 States District Court for the Southern District of Florida, United
- 5 States of America versus Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga, Defendant.
- 6 Could I have the appearances of the parties, please.
- 7 MR. BYRNE: Good morning, Your Honor.
- John Byrne appearing on behalf of the United States. I am
- 9 assistant United States attorney based out of Miami. And with me at
- 10 counsel table is Jon Juenger another assistant United States
- 11 attorney. And also with us is Jason May who is the case agent on
- 12 the case.
- 13 MS. DOAKES: Chantel Doakes of behalf of Mario Fabricio
- 14 Ormachea Aliaga.
- 15 THE COURT: Is the Government ready?
- 16 MR. BYRNE: It is, Your Honor.
- 17 THE COURT: Is the Defendant ready --
- MS. DOAKES: We are, Your Honor.
- 19 THE COURT: All right. I am going to bring in the venire
- 20 and we are going to put 12 prospective jurors in the box.
- 21 (Jury sworn.)
- THE COURT: Ladies and gentlemen, at this time, I would
- 23 like to give you a few preliminary instructions concerning your
- 24 duties and your responsibilities while you are serving as members of
- 25 this jury and tell you what our schedule is going to be in

- 1 connection with the trial of this case
- 2 Having been sworn as the jury in this case you will, by
- 3 your verdict in this case, decide the issues of fact that exists
- 4 between these parties. The Court will decide the issues of law that
- 5 will arise during the trial.
- At the conclusion of the trial, the Court will instruct you
- 7 on the rules of law that you must follow in applying and reaching
- 8 your verdict.
- 9 You should give careful attention to the evidence and the
- 10 testimony as it is offered for your consideration, but you should
- 11 not form or express any opinion about the merits of the case
- 12 favoring either side until you have heard all the evidence in the
- 13 case, the closing arguments of the lawyers, the Court's instruction
- 14 as to the law and you have retired to deliberate your verdict.
- 15 From time to time during the trial, the Court will be
- 16 called upon to make rulings of law on motions or objections by the
- 17 lawyers. You should not infer from any ruling that the Court may
- 18 make that the Court has any opinion about the merits of the case.
- 19 The Court is entirely neutral and the issues of fact in this case
- 20 will be for you to decide.
- 21 Also, if the Court sustains an objection to a question
- 22 asked and does not permit that question to be answered, you should
- 23 not speculate on what answer might have been given, nor should you
- 24 draw any inference from the question itself.
- 25 Also, you will find that occasionally during the trial, it

- 1 will be necessary for the Court to confer with the lawyers out of
- 2 your presence with respect to scheduling matters and other legal
- 3 matters and other matters that require consideration by the Court
- 4 alone. In most cases those conferences will be held here at the end
- 5 of the bench. In a few cases it may be necessary to excuse you into
- 6 the jury room.
- 7 It is not possible to predict when the conferences may be
- 8 required or how long they will last. When they do occur, they will
- 9 be conducted so as to consume as little of your time as is
- 10 consistent with a normal and fair disposition of this case.
- 11 You will find during the trial of this case that the order
- 12 of proof will be as follows. You will first hear the evidence of
- 13 the testimony on behalf of the Government. And the Defense may then
- 14 offer whatever it wishes by way of evidence, or otherwise, but you
- 15 are reminded that the Defendant is under no obligation whatsoever to
- 16 testify and no inference whatsoever can be drawn, or should be
- 17 drawn, from the fact that he does not testify.
- 18 The Government will have the burden of proving him guilty
- 19 beyond a reasonable doubt. And if it fails to do so, as I have said
- 20 before, it will be your duty to find the Defendant not guilty.
- Our schedule in connection with the trial of the case will
- 22 be as follows. We have two sessions; a morning session and an
- 23 afternoon session. The morning session will normally run from 9:00
- 24 to 12:30. The afternoon session will normally run from 1:30 to
- 25 5:00. I will do everything that I can to see to it that you leave

- 1 here by no later than 5:00 every evening.
- Now, observe that I said normally. These times are not
- 3 rigid and they are not fixed. Normally, it will run from 9:00 to
- 4 12:30 and from 1:30 to 5:00. However, tomorrow we will recess at
- 5 4:00 because court business takes me to Miami and I have to be there
- 6 by 5:00, 5:30.
- 7 On Wednesday we will start at 1:00 in the afternoon. So I
- 8 will remind you of that before we leave here tonight. Today we will
- 9 be here until 5:00 and tomorrow we will be here from 9:00 until
- 10 4:00. On Wednesday we will be here from 1:00 to 5:00 and see what
- 11 develops.
- 12 And I know that you have to go to West Palm Beach so we
- 13 will accommodate that.
- 14 We should be able to conclude the trial of this case this
- 15 week. And at this time, you are going to hear from the lawyers in
- 16 what are called opening statements. In the course of those opening
- 17 statements, the lawyers will outline to you what they believe the
- 18 evidence in the case will prove or fail to prove.
- 19 At the end of the trial, the lawyers will again address you
- 20 with what are called closing arguments. You should understand that
- 21 what the lawyers say to you now, or what they say to you later in
- 22 the closing argument, is not the evidence in the case.
- 23 The evidence upon which your verdict will be based will
- 24 consist of the testimony of witnesses who you will hear from this
- 25 witness stand. And it will also consist of whatever items of

- 1 physical evidence or documentary evidence that the Court marks as
- 2 exhibits and makes it a part of the record of this trial.
- 3 So although, what they say to you now is not evidence,
- 4 nevertheless, it is an important part of the case because it gives
- 5 you an overall view, or a synopsis, of what they expect the evidence
- 6 to prove to you.
- 7 Also, you heard earlier, in the course of the voir dire
- 8 examination, that you should refrain from seeking any outside
- 9 information concerning this litigation. By that, we mean, you
- 10 should refrain from researching any aspect of this case on the
- 11 Internet, or otherwise, or seeking any information concerning the
- 12 lawyers, the parties, the witnesses, or otherwise.
- 13 The reason, of course, is obvious. The Defendant is
- 14 entitled to receive a fair trial. And in order to guarantee that he
- 15 receives a fair trial, he has a constitutional right to be present
- 16 with anything that is said that might affect your decision in this
- 17 case. That means simply that your verdict must be consistent solely
- 18 on what is said in the course of this trial and in the presence of
- 19 the Defendant.
- 20 So for that reason, it is important that your verdict in
- 21 this case be based solely on what happens here in the courtroom and
- 22 not with respect to anything that might be available concerning the
- 23 trial on either the media, television, Internet, Google, whatsoever.
- 24 So having said all of that, we will proceed to hear the
- 25 opening statements on behalf of the respective parties.

- And Mr. Byrne, if you are ready, sir, you may proceed with
- 2 your opening statement.
- 3 MR. BYRNE: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 4 Good morning, once again, ladies and gentlemen. This is a
- 5 case about extortion. This is a case about a man, about the
- 6 Defendant, that used the position of power to intimidate another man
- 7 into paying him money.
- 8 The evidence, in this case, will show that the Defendant
- 9 was a Major with the Bolivian National Police Force. He was in
- 10 charge, in Bolivia, of investigating criminal charges against a man
- 11 by the name of Humberto Rocca.
- 12 The evidence will show that the Defendant came to the
- 13 United States, that he met with Mr. Rocca and that he told Mr. Rocca
- 14 that he believed him to be innocent of the criminal charges against
- 15 him. And then, the evidence will show that the Defendant asked for
- 16 \$30,000 to charge, or investigate, the guilty parties in the case.
- Now, how am I going to prove -- how is the Government going
- 18 to prove -- all the things I just told you? Well, in a number of
- 19 different ways, but I'm going to mention the most obvious one right
- 20 now.
- 21 You are going to see and you are going to hear the
- 22 Defendant do all of those things and say all those things that I
- 23 just mentioned to you because when the Defendant came here to the
- 24 United States and met with Mr. Rocca, unbeknownst to the Defendant,
- 25 his meetings were recorded by the FBI. And during this trial we are

- 1 going to play, for you, those recordings.
- Now, the Judge will tell you that the Defendant -- as he
- 3 has told you already -- that the Defendant has been charged with two
- 4 crimes. The first crime is attempted extortion. And the Judge will
- 5 instruct you about the element of that crime at the end of the
- 6 trial.
- 7 The second crime is travelling from outside the United
- 8 States to the United States with the specific intent to extort a
- 9 victim, Humberto Rocca.
- Now, to put these charges into context, we need to know how
- 11 we got here. And to do that, I would like to start with the victim
- 12 in this case, the alleged victim, Mr. Humberto Rocca.
- Now, Mr. Rocca will testify during this trial. Mr. Rocca
- 14 grew up in the country of Bolivia. He became a successful
- 15 businessman in Bolivia. He ended up, at one point, as the president
- 16 of a private company called Aerosur, which is basically an airline
- 17 and a part owner of that company.
- 18 Aerosur, as I mentioned, was a private company and its
- 19 number one competitor in Bolivia was a state-run airline, basically
- 20 a government run airline that was run by the Bolivian Government.
- 21 That was his company's primary competitor.
- The evidence will show that these airlines competed in
- 23 Bolivia. And that at one point, Mr. Rocca publically criticized the
- 24 government airline and the government officials associated with that
- 25 airline.

- 1 After he criticized those officials, as the evidence will
- 2 show, he was charged with crimes in Bolivia. And not just him, you
- 3 will learn that family members of his were also charged with crimes
- 4 in Bolivia.
- 5 Mr. Rocca, eventually, came to the United States to escape
- 6 what he believed -- and you will see -- were charges in Bolivia
- 7 filed against him. And he sought assylum here in the United States
- 8 and received assylum in the United States. And Mr. Rocca will tell
- 9 you that he has also filed a lawsuit in the United States against
- 10 the Bolivian Government.
- And here is where the Defendant enters the picture. During
- 12 this trial, you are going to meet a man named Jorge Valda. Mr.
- 13 Valda is Humberto Rocca's attorney in Bolivia, his criminal defense
- 14 attorney, who is in charge of defending against those criminal
- 15 charges that have been filed by the Bolivian Government against Mr.
- 16 Rocca.
- 17 He is going to tell you that earlier in 2013, around
- 18 January/February of 2013, he met with the Defendant in Bolivia. He
- 19 actually met with the Defendant at the Defendant's office at a
- 20 police station in Bolivia.
- 21 The Defendant told Mr. Valda that he was investigating
- 22 criminal charges against Mr. Rocca and that for a price he could fix
- 23 the situation. And that price, as you will learn, was thousands of
- 24 dollars. He told that to Mr. Valda. And Mr. Valda passed that
- 25 message onto Mr. Humberto Rocca, the victim, and Mr. Rocca ignored

- 1 it.
- 2 And at this time, as you will learn, Mr. Rocca was in the
- 3 United States already, but the Defendant didn't stop there. As you
- 4 will learn, as you will learn during the trial, the Defendant
- 5 reached out to Mr. Rocca's cousin, a man by the name of Carlos
- 6 Guillen. You will meet Carlos Guillen during this trial. He will
- 7 testify that he was trying to get to Mr. Rocca.
- 8 He reached out to Mr. Rocca, himself, on the phone. And
- 9 then, he went one step further. The Defendant traveled from Bolivia
- 10 to the United States and he met in the United States, with Mr.
- 11 Rocca, twice.
- The first time was August 5th of 2013 that he met with Mr.
- 13 Rocca in Miami at a restaurant. Mr. Rocca was there. He had called
- 14 an attorney to attend that meeting. And Carlos Guillen was there,
- 15 his cousin, who was also living in the United States at that time
- 16 and he met with the Defendant.
- The Defendant, as the evidence will show, had come to Miami
- 18 via Washington, D.C. And he told Mr. Rocca, and the people at that
- 19 meeting, that he had been in the Washington, D.C. meeting with the
- 20 FBI. Well, as a side note here, ladies and gentlemen we're going to
- 21 call a witness from the FBI from Washington D.C. He is going to
- 22 tell you that such a meeting never happened.
- The Defendant told that to the folks at that meeting. And
- 24 then, he told them the following, just like he had told Mr. Valda,
- 25 I'm in charge of the cases, criminal cases against Mr. Rocca. I'm

- 1 investigating those cases. I believe you, Mr. Rocca, to be innocent
- 2 of those charges. That's what my investigation has shown and I am
- 3 going to investigate and find the guilty parties. I've identified
- 4 them and I'm going to do all that, but unlike at that meeting with
- 5 Mr. Valda, at this meeting on August 5th, the Defendant didn't ask
- 6 Mr. Rocca for a dime. He didn't ask him for anything and Mr. Rocca
- 7 will tell you that himself.
- 8 So at the close of that meeting, what happened? Nothing
- 9 happened. The Defendant left Miami and went back to Bolivia. And
- 10 Mr. Rocca, his attorney, no one contacted law enforcement.
- And if things ended there, we probably wouldn't be here
- 12 today, but things did not end there. Because as you will learn, and
- 13 as the evidence will show, the Defendant called up Mr. Rocca from
- 14 Bolivia. And this time, he asked for money, \$5,000. Mr. Rocca
- 15 contacted his attorney.
- 16 And eventually, when he had learned that the Defendant was
- 17 coming back to Miami again, he met with the FBI. And at this
- 18 meeting with the FBI, the FBI asked Mr. Rocca to record any meetings
- 19 he had with the Defendant so that they could see and hear exactly
- 20 what was said. Mr. Rocca agreed.
- 21 And that brings me to the topic of the recordings that I
- 22 mentioned at the beginning. We're going to play these recordings
- 23 and I'm going to tell you four things about these recordings right
- 24 now. The recordings were done by a hidden camera.
- 25 As I mentioned earlier, no one told the Defendant that the

- 1 meetings were being recorded. So do not expect to see high
- 2 definition camera work, but you will be able to see, very clearly,
- 3 Mr. Rocca and the Defendant and you will be able to see them
- 4 talking. That's the first thing I want to tell you.
- 5 The second thing I want to tell you -- and this has been
- 6 alluded to at the beginning of this whole process here -- these
- 7 conversations occurred in Spanish. We will have translations for
- 8 you so that you will be able to follow along with what is being
- 9 said.
- 10 Third, the first meeting was about 40 minutes long and so
- 11 that's how long the first recording is going to be. And that
- 12 meeting was held at Mr. Rocca's house in a garage on August 30th.
- 13 The second meeting, August 31st, was a shorter meeting about 20
- 14 minutes long.
- We're going to put those recordings into evidence and you
- 16 can watch them as many times as you like. You will have that as
- 17 evidence at the end of this trial.
- 18 The next thing I want to tell you is that when you watch
- 19 those recordings, you will see and you will hear the same thing
- 20 every time you watch them. You will see the Defendant smiling. You
- 21 will see him joking around with Mr. Rocca and you will see him
- 22 laughing.
- 23 And then, you will see and you will hear the following.
- 24 You will hear the Defendant tell Mr. Rocca that he is the National
- 25 Chief of the Anti-Corruption Unit in Bolivia. That he is in charge

- 1 of investigating the criminal cases against Mr. Rocca. That he
- 2 decides what the investigations show and what the investigations
- 3 don't show. That the vice president and president in Bolivia
- 4 require components to make those decisions and they're decisions in
- 5 the cases that he provides the components.
- 6 And then, he will tell Mr. Rocca -- and you will hear this
- 7 -- he will tell him what he told him before and the evidence will
- 8 show what he told him before, that he believed him to be innocent of
- 9 those charges.
- 10 And now, at this point, you will hear the Defendant say,
- 11 Mr. Rocca, I'm in charge of your criminal investigation and I've
- 12 done the criminal investigation. And I believe you to be innocent
- 13 and you have nothing to worry about. I'm the criminal investigator
- 14 here and I will make sure the truth will see the light of day.
- Will you hear him say that? Listen for it. You won't.
- 16 You will hear him ask Mr. Rocca for \$30,000 to detour the
- 17 investigation towards the true culprits, the quilty parties.
- 18 At the close of this meeting, you will see Mr. Rocca give
- 19 the Defendant \$5,000 in cash as a down-payment. Now, as you will
- 20 learn, before the Defendant came to that meeting that day, that
- 21 money was photographed by the FBI with Mr. Rocca at the house so
- 22 that they could capture the serial numbers on that money.
- 23 That way, if they were ever to seize that money again, they
- 24 could match it up to make sure that was the same money that Mr. Roca
- 25 handed the Defendant. So the Defendant takes that cash and counts

- 1 it and then he leaves.
- 2 Shortly thereafter, the FBI and the police stop him. And
- 3 they recover that \$5,000 and it matches the money that he took from
- 4 Mr. Roca.
- 5 At the end of this trial, you will be asked a question:
- 6 Did the Defendant attempt to extort Humberto Roca?
- 7 And I will ask you to return the only verdict that will be
- 8 consistent with the evidence and that is guilty on Count One and
- 9 guilty on Count Two.
- 10 Thank you very much, ladies and gentlemen.
- 11 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Byrne.
- 12 Miss Doakes, you may proceed with your opening statement.
- MS. DOAKES: Thank you, Your Honor.
- If two wrongs don't make a right, why do we not punish the
- 15 first wrong?
- I mean, we've heard it all before. A bank starts to fail
- 17 and our Government sends in money to save the bank, but the average
- 18 person loses his job and can't make his house payments and the
- 19 Government sends the sheriff to throw him out. It doesn't matter
- 20 how poorly the bank was run. It doesn't matter how lavish the board
- 21 members are living, or how many planes that the CEO has, the
- 22 Government protects them.
- 23 Why do we not punish the first wrong? This is a case about
- 24 money in exchange for influence in Bolivia, not in the United
- 25 States.

- 1 Mario Ormachea Aliaga was a Major in the Bolivian National
- 2 Police. He worked his way up through the ranks over many years. He
- 3 lives with his wife and two children in La Paz, Bolivia. He even
- 4 became an attorney in Bolivia. He worked hard and obtained all
- 5 these things, not through any kind of corruption, but because of
- 6 hard work.
- 7 Now, the Government wants you to convict Mr. Ormachea of
- 8 extortion, but the evidence is going to show there was no extortion
- 9 in this case. The Government will lead you to believe that the
- 10 extortion occurred because of corruption, but there was no
- 11 corruption by Mr. Ormachea.
- 12 So why are we here?
- Well, the evidence is going to show that a corrupt wealthy
- 14 businessman, Humberto Roca, wanted to feel vindicated at Mr.
- 15 Ormachea's expense and not because of any kind of extortion. Not
- 16 because Mr. Ormachea was a corrupt police officer in Bolivia, but
- 17 because Humberto Roca is angry with the Bolivian Government.
- 18 The current president of Bolivia, Evo Morales, has been
- 19 making an effort to combat corruption in his country. And the
- 20 evidence is going to show that Mr. Ormachea was assigned to a
- 21 specialized unit to aid in the prosecution of corrupt individuals.
- 22 And you will hear evidence that Mr. Roca is currently
- 23 charged in Bolivia in connection with his corrupt business dealings.
- 24 And as a result of those criminal charges, Mr. Roca fled Bolivia in
- 25 order to escape prosecution, criminal prosecution. Not because of

- 1 any kind of persecution.
- 2 The evidence will show that Mr. Roca is being protected by
- 3 our Government and not facing his criminal charges in Bolivia, but
- 4 being protected here in the United States. Unlike Mr. Mario
- 5 Ormachea, who sits over in that chair before you, facing two
- 6 criminal charges.
- 7 As the evidence is being presented in this case, we ask you
- 8 to listen very carefully to what is being said and focus on the
- 9 witnesses' demeanor.
- Then, at the conclusion of the evidence, you will agree
- 11 that Mr. Ormachea received money in exchange for influence in
- 12 Bolivia and not in the United States and that you will find Mr.
- 13 Ormachea not guilty.
- 14 Thank you.
- THE COURT: Miss Doakes, thank you.
- 16 Members of the jury, you heard me say what our normal
- 17 schedule would be. Well, normally, we would recess at 12:30, but
- 18 rather than call a witness and interrupt the testimony of that
- 19 witness after they have been here for a brief time, we are going to
- 20 recess for lunch early today.
- 21 It is now a couple of minutes after 12:00. So we will be
- 22 in recess until 1:00. When you come back at 1:00, please report to
- 23 the jury room at that time. And at that time, we will proceed with
- 24 the presentation on behalf of the United States, who will call their
- 25 first witness.

- I neglected to tell you one other thing. And that is, when
- 2 you leave the jury room or the courtroom, at this time, you should
- 3 go as promptly as directly as possible with wherever your business
- 4 takes you. When you come back this afternoon, please go as directly
- 5 and as promptly to the jury room.
- 6 And likewise, at the end of the day, you should leave this
- 7 floor of the building, which is the second floor, as promptly and as
- 8 expeditiously as you can.
- 9 We ask you that you do that because there will be people
- 10 out here in the hall that are waiting to testify in the case, or
- 11 that have some interest in the case, and you might accidentally hear
- 12 them say something, or do something, that you should not see, hear,
- 13 or consider because as I told you before, it is important that your
- 14 verdict in this case be based solely upon what occurs here in the
- 15 courtroom.
- Also, during the recess, if you should see these gentlemen
- 17 or this lady anywhere in the building or on the street and they
- 18 don't talk to you or greet you, or act like you don't exist, they
- 19 are not being rude to you. They are not allowed to speak to you
- 20 under the rules of the Court.
- 21 So having said that, we will be in recess until 1:05 and
- 22 please report to the jury room at that time. And we will proceed
- 23 with the testimony on behalf of the Government at that time.
- 24 Thank you for your patience and your attention.
- Take the jury out, please, and we will be in recess until

- 1 1:05, ladies and gentlemen.
- 2 And who will the first witness for the Government be?
- 3 MR. BYRNE: It will be Jorge Valda.
- 4 THE COURT: Jorge?
- 5 MR. BYRNE: Jorge Valda; V-A-L-D-A.
- 6 THE COURT: Okay. Court is in recess until 1:05 p.m.
- 7 (Noon recess.)
- 8 Your Honor, also, we talked about this, but to invoke the 9 rule.
- 10 THE COURT: Let the record reflect that the rule has been
- 11 invoked. If there is any persons present in this courtroom who will
- 12 testify in these proceedings and who are not a party to the action,
- 13 or a representative or a part of the action, you are instructed not
- 14 to discuss your testimony among yourselves or with anyone else, nor
- 15 permitted to be discussed in your presence. Although, you may
- 16 discuss it with the attorneys of the parties who called you.
- 17 (Jury entered.)
- 18 INTERPRETER: We're done, Judge.
- 19 THE COURT: Hallelujah. The age of electronics is not
- 20 anything it is cracked up to be.
- 21 All right. Let's go back and call your first witness for
- 22 the United States, Mr. Byrne.
- MR. BYRNE: Yes, Your Honor.
- 24 MR. JUENGER: The United States calls Jorge Valda.
- 25 (Witness sworn through interpreter.)

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes, I do.
- THE COURT: Have a seat, please.
- 3 Tell us your full name.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Jorge Jose Valda Daza.
- 5 THE COURT: Spell your last name, please.
- 6 THE WITNESS: Valda that would be V-A-L-D-A and Daza;
- 7 D-A-Z-A.
- 8 THE COURT: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 9 JORGE VALDA, GOVERNMENT'S WITNESS SWORN
- 10 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 11 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 12 Q. Mr. Valda, how old are you?
- 13 A. I'm 30 years old.
- 14 Q. And where do you live?
- 15 A. La Paz, Bolivia.
- 16 O. And what country are you a citizen of?
- 17 A. I am a Bolivian citizen.
- 18 Q. And what do you do for a living in Bolivia?
- 19 A. I am an attorney and I am also a university professor.
- 20 Q. And how long have you been a lawyer?
- 21 A. Nine years.
- 22 Q. And tell us briefly about your education.
- 23 A. I've been an attorney -- I'm an attorney.
- 24 And I actually have two different specialities; one of them is
- 25 in criminal law and the other one is in criminology. I also hold

- 1 two Master's Degree; one in Constitutional Law and the other one in
- 2 Criminal Law.
- 3 Q. And how long have you been a law professor?
- 4 A. Six years.
- 5 Q. And what do you teach or what subjects do you teach?
- 6 A. Criminology and criminal law.
- 7 Q. And have you published in these areas?
- 8 A. Five books.
- 9 Q. What topics?
- 10 A. Having to do with the Criminal Code in Bolivia as well as the
- 11 Constitutional Assembly.
- 12 Q. And now, Mr. Valda, in addition to teaching law, do you also
- 13 practice law?
- 14 A. True.
- 15 Q. And what type of law do you practice?
- 16 A. I practice criminal law and constitutional law.
- 17 Q. And are there any particular types of criminal cases that you
- 18 handle?
- 19 A. I specialize in financial criminal matters.
- 20 Q. And now, Mr. Valda, do you know a man by the name of Humberto
- 21 Roca?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And how long have you known Mr. Roca?
- 24 A. Approximately nine years.
- 25 Q. And do you represent Mr. Roca as a lawyer?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And do you represent him in criminal or civil matters?
- 3 A. Criminal matters.
- 4 Q. And how long have you been representing Mr. Roca?
- 5 A. Approximately six years.
- 6 Q. And now, if you can, please briefly -- I know you just told us
- 7 that you've been representing him for six years -- but can you tell
- 8 us a little bit about the cases that you represent him on?
- 9 A. I have handled criminal cases that have been brought against
- 10 him and members of his family.
- 11 Q. And can you describe those cases a little bit? What are the
- 12 subject matters of those criminal cases?
- 13 A. To begin with, Humberto Roca is a businessman who used to own
- 14 an airline in Bolivia. And based on the airline that he owns,
- 15 several criminal cases were brought about with the purpose of
- 16 appropriating the airline.
- 17 And due to the situation, Humberto Roca hired me in order for
- 18 me to defend him in the various cases. There were many cases that
- 19 had been brought against him. All of his cases were brought about
- 20 by governmental institutions.
- MS. DOAKES: Objection.
- THE WITNESS: Among them, we have a case from the Ministry
- 23 of Transparency. Also, the tax authority as well as the
- 24 transportation authorities.
- 25 BY MR. JUENGER:

- 1 Q. Now, perhaps you can tell us -- you've told us about the cases
- 2 -- but can you tell us a little bit about what it is that is alleged
- 3 that Mr. Roca has done that resulted in these charges?
- 4 A. The allegations have to do with illegal enrichment. So they
- 5 conducted an investigation regarding all of his holdings through a
- 6 law that was promulgated in the year 2010.
- 7 And in Bolivia this law is being utilized in order to accuse
- 8 members of the opposition.
- 9 Q. Let me ask you this, Mr. Valda.
- 10 What are the consequences, or potential consequences, of these
- 11 criminal cases if Mr. Roca is found guilty in Bolivia?
- 12 A. The consequence might be that he and members of his family
- 13 might be incarcerated. He might lose his entire capital, even
- 14 though he has, practically speaking, lost most of it already.
- Also, he would have a criminal record, which would not allow
- 16 him in Bolivia to occupy any public office.
- 17 O. Now, Mr. Valda, do you know the name of the lead investigator
- 18 on these cases that you were just discussing? Who was that person
- 19 in the year 2013?
- 20 A. Yes, I am aware. And that was the police officer by the name
- 21 of Fabricio Ormachea.
- 22 Q. And do you know what Mr. Ormachea's official title was?
- 23 A. Yes. He was the national head of the Anti-Corruption Unit of
- 24 the police.
- 25 Q. And have you met Mr. Ormachea in person?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And Mr. Valda, do you see Mr. Ormachea here in the courtroom
- 3 here today?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And can you please point him out and describe something that
- 6 he's wearing for us?
- 7 A. Yes. He's seated in that area. He's wearing a light blue tie.
- 8 He has a dark blue striped suit.
- 9 MR. JUENGER: Your Honor, may the written record reflect
- 10 that the witness has identified the Defendant?
- 11 THE COURT: The record will so reflect.
- MR. JUENGER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 13 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 14 Q. Now, tell us, Mr. Valda, what did the Defendant do as the lead
- 15 investigator on Mr. Roca's cases?
- 16 A. Well, he was responsible for drafting police reports, taking
- 17 statements from witnesses, conducting inspections. And basically,
- 18 lead all aspects of the investigations in the cases of Mr. Humberto
- 19 Roca.
- 20 Q. And was there anyone else at the police force that was above
- 21 him in rank on these cases?
- 22 A. No, he had the highest ranking -- he was the highest ranking
- 23 officer because he occupied the position of the national head of
- 24 this unit.
- 25 Q. And Mr. Valda, is the Defendant a lawyer, do you know?

- 1 A. I don't know it for a fact.
- 2 Q. Well, let me ask you this.
- 3 To your knowledge, did the Defendant ever represent Mr. Roca in
- 4 any of these cases you just mentioned?
- 5 A. No, never.
- 6 Q. Have you ever been co-counsel with the Defendant on any case?
- 7 A. Never.
- 8 Q. Have you ever been co-counsel with any investigator from
- 9 Bolivia who is also investigating a criminal case?
- 10 A. No, that is banned. Not allowed.
- 11 Q. Not allowed.
- 12 Now, Mr. Valda, have you ever met the Defendant regarding Mr.
- 13 Roca's cases?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And did you meet with the Defendant in January of 2013?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. And where was this meeting?
- 18 A. At the Offices of the Bolivian Police.
- 19 Q. And who requested, or who arranged for this meeting to take
- 20 place?
- 21 A. No one requested it. I simply went to look at the
- 22 investigation files. And the investigative files, in this
- 23 particular case, were handled by Mr. Ormachea who is the lead
- 24 investigator.
- 25 Q. And did you meet with him at that office?

- 1 A. Yes. We met and he asked me to step into his office.
- 2 Q. Okay. And what took place when he asked you to step into his
- 3 office? And specifically, what did the Defendant tell you about Mr.
- 4 Roca's case?
- 5 MS. DOAKES: Objection; 402 and 403.
- 6 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 7 THE WITNESS: He told me that he had the capability of
- 8 helping Mr. Humberto Roca, that he was aware that he and his family
- 9 were already outside of the country, but that he could speak with
- 10 the prosecutor and the judge for them to return. And that we could
- 11 go ahead and start working with his brothers, that is Mr. Roca's
- 12 brothers, for him to return to Bolivia.
- And that, in addition to that, for \$20,000 each they could
- 14 return to the country and that with this \$20,000 they would not be
- 15 detained. And that because of the \$20,000, then the investigation
- 16 would not expand to include other relatives of Humberto Roca and
- 17 that later on, the price would change for his wife and children.
- 18 And that as things moved along to reach him, it would be more
- 19 difficult. And naturally, then, it would be more expensive.
- 20 Q. Can you explain that a little bit? That sounded a little
- 21 confusing to me.
- 22 A. That when he stated that because through that money, the
- 23 brothers, or the siblings, could come back that that could go as far
- 24 as reaching Humberto Roca himself. What he really wanted to do was
- 25 to show how much power he held through --

- 1 MS. DOAKES: Objection; Your Honor. Testifying as to the
- 2 Defendant's state of mind.
- 3 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 4 THE WITNESS: -- through the siblings.
- 5 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 6 Q. Let me go back.
- 7 How much money was the Defendant requesting?
- 8 A. \$20,000 for each one of his siblings.
- 9 Q. And is that \$20,000 in U.S. currency or Bolivian currency?
- 10 A. \$20,000 in U.S. currency.
- 11 Q. And can you help us understand, what is the value of \$20,000
- 12 U.S. in Bolivia?
- 13 A. \$20,000 would be the equivalent of 20 basic salaries in a
- 15 Q. All right. Now, Mr. Valda, based on your conversation, what
- 16 was your understanding of what would happen if Mr. Roca did not pay
- 17 this \$20,000?
- 18 A. That the investigation would expand and it would include other
- 19 individuals and other relatives of Mr. Roca in Bolivia.
- 20 Q. And Mr. Valda, did Mr. Roca pay this \$20,000?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. And what happened after Mr. Roca refused to pay that \$20,000?
- 23 A. The investigation was opened to include his mother.
- 24 Q. Whose mother?
- 25 A. Humberto Roca's mother.

- 1 Q. Now, Mr. Valda, did you speak with the Defendant again after
- 2 this meeting in January of 2013?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. And when was this, more or less?
- 5 A. Six weeks later approximately.
- 6 Q. And did the Defendant talk to you about Mr. Roca's cases again?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And what did he say?
- 9 A. He asked me what I had discussed with my client. And my
- 10 response was that Humberto Roca was not going to pay.
- 11 He told me that the offer stood. He told me that he could also
- 12 investigate other types of cases that would involve other clients of
- 13 mine. And he spoke to me very specifically about another company
- 14 that I represent in Bolivia by the name of Jindal Steel.
- 15 Q. Can you spell Jindal, so we have it for the record?
- 16 A. The name of the company is Jindal Steel Bolivia; J-I-N-D-A-L
- 17 Steel Bolivia.
- 18 Q. And was Jindal Steel a client of yours?
- 19 A. It continues to be my client.
- 20 Q. And what did the Defendant say to you about Jindal Steel?
- 21 A. That he could make sure that the arrest warrants would not be
- 22 sent to Interpol.
- 23 Q. What is Interpol?
- 24 A. That is an abbreviation for International Police.
- 25 Q. And did he want anything in exchange for this?

- 1 A. He also told me that he would manage to get the frozen bank
- 2 accounts released and that he would charge a percentage for that.
- 3 Q. Now, let me ask you, Mr. Valda, when the Defendant was making
- 4 these statements to you, demanding money from your clients, did you
- 5 report it to the police?
- 6 A. No, because he was the police.
- 7 Q. Well, explain. What do you mean by that?
- 8 A. He was the highest ranking officer within the Anti-Corruption
- 9 Unit. So if I were to report this to a lower ranking officer, or
- 10 authority, all I could bring about would be more problems.
- 11 MR. JUENGER: That's all I have for this witness, Your
- 12 Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Cross-examination.
- MS. DOAKES: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 15 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 16 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 17 Q. Now, Mr. Valda, you've been an attorney for nine years,
- 18 correct?
- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 Q. And as an attorney, you have certain obligations to the clients
- 21 that you represent, correct?
- 22 A. That is correct.
- 23 Q. For example, you have an obligation to advise, correct?
- 24 A. Correct.
- 25 Q. You have an obligation to inform, correct?

- 1 A. Correct.
- 2 Q. And you have an obligation to advocate, correct?
- 3 A. You mean to exercise a profession?
- 4 Q. Advocate, to vigorously defend your client in court?
- 5 A. Yes, of course.
- 6 Q. And you have done all those things in connection with your
- 7 representation of Mr. Roca, correct?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. You have informed him of the charges against him?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. You've advised him of the consequences against him?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. And you've been his advocate, right?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. And as an attorney, you also have an ethical obligation to the
- 16 legal system, to the Court?
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 Q. In the motions that you file with the Court you have an
- 19 obligation to be truthful, right?
- 20 A. Correct.
- 21 Q. And any evidence that you present in trial it has to be
- 22 legitimate?
- 23 A. Yes, of course. Correct.
- 24 Q. And the witnesses that you call at a trial, you have to make
- 25 sure that they're telling the truth, correct?

- 1 A. Of course, yes.
- 2 Q. Because you're an officer of the Court, right?
- 3 A. No, I'm not really an officer.
- 4 Q. You are not an officer, but you appear in front of the Court.
- 5 That's what I mean by officer.
- 6 A. Well, if you're referring to the fact that I'm an attorney, the
- 7 fact that I work as an attorney doesn't quite make me a member of
- 8 the Court or a public official, per se.
- 9 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Roca, you testified on direct, is charged in
- 10 Bolivia with, I believe, you have said of illicit enrichment,
- 11 correct?
- 12 A. That is correct.
- 13 Q. And you also represented Mr. Roca in connection with his
- 14 matters pertaining to his former company Aerosur; is that right?
- 15 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 16 Q. And you believe that Mr. Roca is innocent, right?
- 17 A. I am certain he is innocent.
- 18 Q. And you believe that the charges filed against him are
- 19 politically motivated, correct?
- 20 A. That is correct.
- 21 Q. Now, those criminal charges were filed against Mr. Roca in
- 22 2010; is that right?
- 23 A. No, that's not correct.
- 24 Q. When were they filed?
- 25 A. Approximately in 2010 when the illegal enrichment law was

- 1 passed in Bolivia.
- 2 Q. So they were filed in 2010?
- 3 A. 2010, exactly.
- 4 Q. And those charges are still pending?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And they've been pending since Mr. Roca left the country?
- 7 A. Yes, he is being -- yes, they're still pending because he is
- 8 being judged in absentia --
- 9 THE INTERPRETER: My apologies from the interpreter: In
- 10 contempt.
- 11 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 12 Q. Now, Mr. Roca was ordered to appear in court in Bolivia, I
- 13 believe, in approximately 2010; is that right?
- 14 A. No, that is not correct.
- 15 Q. There was a hearing in connection with this case in December of
- 16 2010?
- 17 A. It's a little difficult for me to recall, specifically, but
- 18 there have been many hearings regarding the illicit enrichment
- 19 charges against Mr. Roca in Bolivia.
- 20 Q. Well, I'm talking about the hearing in approximately December
- 21 of 2010 and that would have been the hearing where he was ordered by
- 22 a judge to appear to face the charge?
- 23 A. It's very possible that hearing may have been held, but I don't
- 24 recall the specific date.
- 25 Q. But you would have been at that hearing, right, as his

- 1 attorney?
- 2 A. I have been present at practically all hearings.
- 3 Q. Now, in December, on December 13 of 2010, the time of this
- 4 hearing, Mr. Roca was not in Bolivia; is that right?
- 5 A. If I am not mistaken, he was in Spain at the time undergoing
- 6 surgery for kidney cancer.
- 7 O. He wasn't there?
- 8 A. No, he was not there.
- 9 Q. And he knew about the hearing; is that right?
- 10 A. He did not.
- 11 Q. As his counsel, you informed him of the hearing, right, Mr.
- 12 Valda?
- 13 A. No.
- 14 Q. Well, because he failed to appear for this hearing and the
- 15 judge issued a warrant for his arrest, correct, sir?
- 16 A. Yes. If I'm not mistaken, that is correct.
- 17 Q. And then, a few days after that warrant was issued, then he
- 18 entered the United States?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Well, he entered the United States -- the warrant was issued on
- 21 December 13 of 2010 and he entered the United States on December
- 22 15th; is that right?
- 23 A. When the arrest warrant was issued in Bolivia, three months
- 24 went by during which he had to remain in Spain undergoing therapy.
- 25 He came to United States because one of the subsidiaries of his

- 1 airline, Aerosur was in Miami. And when he was at the point of
- 2 returning, the issue with his heart came up.
- 3 O. But Mr. Roca hasn't returned to Bolivia since that arrest
- 4 warrant was issued?
- 5 A. He cannot return.
- 6 Q. His mother still lives in Bolivia and she's in Santa Cruz,
- 7 right?
- 8 A. She's currently in the United States here.
- 9 Q. He has a child still living in Bolivia, right?
- 10 A. I'm not aware of that.
- 11 Q. The child that he has with Magnolia Pecheco. She lives in
- 12 Santa Cruz, right?
- 13 A. I don't know her.
- 14 Q. Now, you've been under investigation as well by the Bolivian
- 15 Transportation Authority for money laundering, right?
- 16 A. Because I am Humberto Roca's attorney.
- 17 Q. Well, it has been alleged that you have been accused of helping
- 18 Mr. Roca hide money from Bolivia; is that right, sir?
- 19 A. No, that is not correct.
- MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, may I approach?
- THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- MS. DOAKES: Page 5.
- THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 24 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 25 Q. I'm handing you a copy of what has been previously marked for

- 1 identification as Defense Exhibit 1. And the document that I handed
- 2 you, sir, is a formal complaint; is that correct?
- 3 A. No, it's not. It's a complaint.
- 4 Q. Okay. And it's issued from the Office of the Prosecutor?
- 5 A. Yes, it comes from the prosecutor's office.
- 6 Q. Okay. And if you look at Page 5 of that complaint -- are you
- 7 on Page 5?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. And you see your name there in that complaint, correct, Jorge
- 10 Valda Daza?
- 11 A. Just like the name of all the other attorneys.
- 12 Q. Page 5?
- 13 A. Yes, that is correct, Page 5.
- 14 Q. And sir, if you look at where your name is listed right before
- 15 your name, it says -- do you see that?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. And it says that records do exist of the excessive amounts
- 18 received by Jorge Valda?
- 19 A. Can you please tell me where --
- MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, may I approach?
- 21 THE COURT: Yes.
- MS. DOAKES: Because I have the English version. I'm going
- 23 to mark it for you, Mr. Valda.
- 24 THE WITNESS: Okay. Thank you.
- 25 BY MS. DOAKES:

- 1 Q. You're welcome.
- Now, are we on the same page, now, Mr. Valda?
- 3 A. I think so. I don't know if I'm looking at what you are
- 4 looking at.
- 5 Q. Where it says Compania Boliviana de Transporte Aereo Privado?
- 6 A. Yes, I have it.
- 7 Q. And it says: Have disposed of the monies of the commercial
- 8 corporation in favor of third parties.
- 9 Do you see that? Does it say that there?
- 10 MR. JUENGER: Your Honor, I'm going to object from reading
- 11 from documents that are not in evidence.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 14 Q. It says the monies received have not been properly registered
- 15 on the books and that's in connection with Aerosur, the company?
- 16 A. If you would allow me. What that says there --
- 17 Q. But what I'm asking you is, does it read that? You will be
- 18 able to explain in a minute.
- 19 A. Do you want me to read it?
- 20 Q. I'm asking you, sir, does it say, therefore, there is no basic
- 21 reason for them to have made these monies to third parties?
- 22 A. That is what it says there.
- 23 O. And it goes on to say, records do exist of the excessive
- 24 amounts received by -- and you're listed there, correct?
- 25 A. My name is one of the names among all of the names of the other

- 1 attorneys that were involved in this.
- 2 Q. Okay. And it goes on to say, all of this for the purpose of
- 3 hiding the illegal increase of his patrimony?
- 4 A. I don't understand your question.
- 5 Q. I'm reading to you what it says.
- 6 A. I don't understand your question.
- 7 Q. It says, Mr. Valda, that you have received -- you and the other
- 8 lawyers -- received excessive amounts of money from Aerosur?
- 9 A. Is that what it says here in that complaint?
- 10 Q. I'm asking you what it says.
- 11 A. No, it does not say that there.
- 12 Q. It goes on to say, all of this for the purpose of hiding the
- 13 illegal increase of his patrimony?
- 14 A. Yes, it does say that.
- 15 Q. You have received significant payments from Mr. Roca, correct,
- 16 in connection with your representation?
- 17 A. I have charged him my professional fees.
- 18 Q. Millions of dollars, right, sir?
- 19 A. No, that is not correct.
- 20 Q. And even when Mr. Roca left his company's employees, 1500 of
- 21 them when they didn't get paid, you got paid, right, sir?
- 22 A. No, that is not correct. In fact, he owes me money.
- 23 Q. 1500 employees of Mr. Roca's Aerosur Company did not get paid;
- 24 is that correct?
- 25 A. I was Humberto Roca's attorney and not the attorney for

- 1 Aerosur.
- 2 Q. Now, this ATT complaint or investigation began some time in
- 3 2009; is that right?
- 4 A. I don't know the exact date.
- 5 Q. Sir, if you look at the first page of the document --
- 6 A. I'm on the first page. This was actually started in 2012.
- 7 Q. I'm sorry. It was issued June 27, 2012, right?
- 8 A. It was signed on the 27th of July of 2012, yes.
- 9 Q. And you've remained in Bolivia, right?
- 10 A. I live in Bolivia.
- 11 Q. And you have spoken out against the media in connection with
- 12 your representation of Mr. Roca; is that right?
- 13 A. That I have spoken against the media?
- 14 Q. I'm sorry. Spoken to the media?
- 15 A. Yes, of course.
- 16 Q. And you told the Bolivian media that you were coming to testify
- 17 in this case?
- 18 A. Yes. I told them that I had to come to the United States and I
- 19 had to testify.
- 20 Q. And you also told the Bolivian media that these prosecutors had
- 21 told you that they were going to request 25 years for Mr. Ormachea;
- 22 is that correct?
- 23 A. No. That is what we sort of calculated here in the United
- 24 States with Humberto Roca's attorneys.
- MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, may I approach?

- 1 THE WITNESS: May I have some water?
- THE COURT: Yes.
- 3 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 4 Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Valda, I handed you a newspaper article from
- 5 La Patria; is that right?
- 6 A. That is correct.
- 7 Q. And that is a newspaper article dated some time on December 10
- 8 of 2013; is that right?
- 9 A. Correct.
- 10 Q. And it says in that article that the trial court in Miami,
- 11 which has the responsibility of determining Mr. Ormachea -- it's on
- 12 the second page of that article -- the penalty that the prosecutor
- 13 is asking for Mr. Fabricio is 25 years, said attorney for Mr. Roca;
- 14 is that right? That's what you said?
- 15 A. That is not exactly what I've said, but that's what the column 16 states.
- 17 Q. Well, it said that you said it, right?
- 18 A. But it's not necessarily true just because it's in a media
- 19 publication.
- 20 Q. Now, you've also gone to the Bolivian prosecutor and asked for
- 21 Mr. Roca's case to be dismissed, correct?
- 22 A. That is untrue.
- 23 MS. DOAKES: May I have a moment, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- 25 BY MS. DOAKES:

- 1 Q. Now, the initial prosecutor on Mr. Ormachea's case was Edwin
- 2 Morenaro (phonetic)?
- 3 A. Can you repeat that question? I did not quite understand what
- 4 you meant. There is an Edwin Morenaro, but I don't know what the
- 5 question is.
- 6 Q. I was asking you, he was the initial prosecutor on Mr. Roca's
- 7 case, correct?
- 8 A. It was Prosecutor Morenaro in Mr. Roca's case; that is correct.
- 9 Q. And isn't it true that he's in a La Paz jail for corruption?
- 10 A. No. He's actually in Santa Cruz but, in fact, he is in jail.
- 11 Q. And in fact, the Bolivian Government has prosecuted other
- 12 prosecutors for corruption, correct?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And has prosecuted judges for corruption?
- 15 A. That is correct.
- 16 Q. And has prosecuted police officers and other governmental
- 17 officials for corruption, right?
- 18 A. Public officials, yes, but as far as I know, no police officers
- 19 are incarcerated.
- 20 Q. This all started under -- not incarcerated, but I mean
- 21 prosecuted or investigated for corruption?
- 22 A. Yes, of course.
- 23 Q. And this includes police officers; is that right?
- 24 A. Yes, of course.
- 25 Q. And this all started under the current Administration of

- 1 President Evo Morales; is that right?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. The Ministry of Institutional Transparency, ATT, was created
- 4 under Evo Morales' Administration; is that right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And anti-corruption laws were created under this Ministry; is
- 7 that right?
- 8 A. As with any other government.
- 9 Q. Now, you're familiar with Article 286; is that right?
- 10 A. From what law or code?
- 11 Q. Le 4 (phonetic)?
- 12 A. What article did you say?
- 13 O. Article 286.
- 14 A. That law has less than 50 articles.
- 15 Q. You're familiar with the article that obligates individuals to
- 16 report crimes of corruption? You're familiar with that?
- 17 A. The obligation is held by public officials to report acts of
- 18 corruption.
- 19 Q. Public officers as well, though, correct?
- 20 A. Only public officers and officials. I am not one of those.
- 21 Q. Now, let's talk about what happened in January of 2013.
- Now, you testified that you met with Mr. Ormachea at the La Paz
- 23 Police Station; is that right?
- 24 A. That's correct.
- 25 Q. And La Paz, that's the capitol city of Bolivia; is that right?

- 1 A. No, that is incorrect. The capitol of the country is Sucre and
- 2 La Paz is the seat of government.
- 3 Q. And Evo Morales' Administration is in La Paz, Bolivia; is that
- 4 right?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 Q. And that police station, the courthouse is near that police
- 7 station; is that correct?
- 8 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 9 Q. And the prosecutors are located near that police station; is
- 10 that right?
- 11 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 12 Q. And the Bolivian National Police, it has within it an Internal
- 13 Affairs Unit; is that correct?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. You're not familiar with the ethical unit within the Bolivian
- 16 National Police, sir?
- 17 A. No, I'm not familiar.
- 18 Q. Now, you testified at this meeting, in January of 2013, that
- 19 Mr. Ormachea stated that he could make the criminal cases against
- 20 Mr. Roca and his family go away; is that right?
- 21 A. No. All he told me is that they would be able to provide
- 22 statements, but he did not, in fact, tell me that they would be
- 23 released from prosecution.
- 24 Q. That's all he told you, correct?
- 25 A. In regards to that, yes.

- 1 Q. And you did not personally communicate this to Mr. Roca until
- 2 some time later?
- 3 A. I conveyed it to him on the telephone immediately.
- 4 Q. And he declined Mr. Ormachea's offer; is that right?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And he said he didn't want anything to do with it, correct?
- 7 A. Correct.
- 8 Q. And then, you said, you testified on direct because he didn't
- 9 want anything to do with it, there were charges filed against Mr.
- 10 Roca's mother; is that right?
- 11 A. That is correct.
- 12 Q. Now, you met with the prosecutors in this case prior to your
- 13 testimony; is that right?
- 14 A. Correct.
- 15 Q. And that meeting was some time in November of 2013?
- 16 A. No, that is incorrect. I only met with them yesterday.
- 17 O. So you never met with them in November of 2013?
- 18 A. I met with an individual from the FBI and with Humberto Roca's
- 19 attorneys here in the United States.
- 20 Q. And that was in November of 2013?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And you were asked questions about what happened in Bolivia in
- 23 January 2013; is that right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And you never told the officers anything about Mr. Roca's

- 1 mother being charged; is that correct?
- 2 A. I did tell them.
- 3 Q. You also prepared a resume declaration after your meeting with
- 4 FBI; is that right?
- 5 A. That is correct.
- 6 MS. DOAKES: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 7 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- 8 THE WITNESS: Thank you.
- 9 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 10 Q. Sir, I've handed you what has been previously marked for
- 11 identification as summary statement of Jorge Valda Daza; is that
- 12 correct?
- 13 A. Yes, that is correct.
- 14 Q. And this is a statement that you typed up, correct?
- 15 A. This is a summary.
- 16 Q. But it's your summary, correct?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you e-mailed that to Mr. Byrne; is that correct?
- 19 A. I don't remember who I sent it to, but surely it was him. It
- 20 must have been him.
- 21 Q. And there's nothing in that statement that talks about Mr.
- 22 Roca's mother being charged; is that right?
- 23 A. Can you allow me to review it?
- 24 Q. Yes.
- 25 A. The document makes reference to the entire family. I don't

- 1 make any specific reference to an individual.
- 2 Q. Well, don't you agree the fact that Mr. Roca's mother is
- 3 criminally charged in Bolivia that that would be an important fact?
- 4 A. I was asked to provide specific information and details as to
- 5 what Mr. Ormachea had discussed with me and the attorneys and that's
- 6 what I sent to the prosecutors. They asked me, specifically, as to
- 7 matters related to Mr. Ormachea and not questions having to do with
- 8 my other clients in Bolivia.
- 9 Q. Sir, you testified on direct that because Mr. Roca wouldn't pay
- 10 money in exchange for influence to Mr. Ormachea, that Mr. Roca's
- 11 mother was charged in Bolivia?
- 12 A. What I said was what Mr. Ormachea stated to me and what I
- 13 answered is what happened later.
- 14 Q. Sir, my question was, you testified on direct examination that
- 15 Mr. Roca's mother was charged, correct?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And that was because Mr. Roca did not pay any money to Mr.
- 18 Ormachea, right?
- 19 A. Are you asking me for my own conjectures? Then, yes.
- 20 Q. I'm not asking you for your own conjectures.
- 21 I'm just asking you what you testified to on direct. You do
- 22 remember?
- 23 A. I did say that she's being prosecuted, but I never said there
- 24 was any connection between one situation and the another; that there
- 25 is a direct link between one thing and the other.

- 1 Q. You never said that?
- 2 A. And I answered the questions according to what I was being
- 3 asked.
- 4 MS. DOAKES: Sorry, Your Honor. May I have one moment?
- 5 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- 6 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 7 Q. Okay. And now, sir, an investigation against Mr. Roca's family
- 8 had actually started some time before January of 2013; is that
- 9 right?
- 10 A. Yes.
- MS. DOAKES: All right. Thank you, Mr. Valda. I have no
- 12 further questions.
- THE COURT: Do we have any redirect?
- MR. JUENGER: Yes, Your Honor.
- 15 REDIRECT EXAMINATION
- 16 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 17 O. Mr. Valda, you were shown this document that I'm holding up.
- 18 Can you see it?
- 19 This is the document that has your name in it?
- 20 A. It's not the same document.
- 21 Q. This one is in English?
- 22 A. Oh, yes, I suppose this is the one.
- 23 O. Tell us what this document is.
- 24 A. This is a memory aid that I prepared regarding what I know.
- 25 Q. And in that, I think, you called it a summary; is that correct?

- 1 A. It's a summary, precisely.
- 2 Q. And did you include every single fact that you knew about Mr.
- 3 Ormachea in that summary document?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. I want to ask you about another document.
- 6 This is the document that is from Bolivia and it has your name
- 7 in it dealing with improper monies, or something like that.
- 8 Do you have that document?
- 9 A. If this is the one, yes, I do.
- 10 MR. JUENGER: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 11 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Oh, yes. I do have it here.
- 13 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 14 Q. And tell us, what is that document?
- 15 A. This is a complaint filed by the transportation authorities in
- 16 Bolivia.
- 17 O. And when you use the word complaint, does that mean a formal
- 18 charge against you charging you with a crime in Bolivia?
- MS. DOAKES: Objection; leading.
- 20 THE COURT: Overruled.
- THE WITNESS: No.
- 22 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 23 Q. What is it, then?
- 24 A. This is a well-founded notice of the presumption of a crime.
- 25 Q. And have you ever been formerly charge with a crime?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. I think you've told us already that you have received legal
- 3 fees from Mr. Roca for being his lawyer, correct?
- 4 A. Yes, correct.
- 5 Q. And how much, more or less, how much have you been paid for
- 6 your six years of legal service?
- 7 A. Well, for the entire six years, it's a little difficult to add
- 8 up the sums, but I would calculate that it's somewhere around
- 9 \$50,000.
- 10 Q. Have you ever received a million dollars from Mr. Roca for any
- 11 purpose?
- 12 A. No, never.
- 13 Q. Have you ever hidden any money on behalf of Mr. Roca?
- 14 A. Never. That's impossible.
- 15 Q. Now, you were asked about this meeting with Mr. Ormachea, the
- 16 Defendant, in January of 2013?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What was it that Mr. Ormachea said about expanding the
- 19 investigation?
- 20 A. Well, what he said, specifically is that, here, we have
- 21 Humberto Roca's mother, who had not been formerly charged and that
- 22 he was aware that another one of his sons-in-law, who had not left
- 23 the country, was in Santa Cruz.
- 24 Q. And now let me ask you this question, Mr. Valda.
- Did Mr. Byrne or myself ever tell you or talk to you about

- 1 anything to do with the sentence that the Defendant might receive in
- 2 this case?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. In fact, when is the first time we ever met?
- 5 A. Yesterday.
- 6 MR. JUENGER: That's all I have, Your Honor.
- 7 THE COURT: Mr. Valda, thank you, sir. You may step down.
- 8 And we will take our afternoon recess at this time and we
- 9 will be in recess for 15 minutes. The Court is in recess for 15
- 10 minutes.
- 11 Who is your next witness, Mr. Byrne?
- 12 MR. BYRNE: Our next witness is Carlos Guillen, Your Honor.
- 13 (Recess.)
- 14 THE COURT: Call your next witness, sir.
- MR. JUENGER. Yes, Your Honor.
- 16 The United States calls Carlos Guillen.
- 17 (Witness sworn through interpreter.)
- 18 THE COURT: Be seated, please, and tell us your full name.
- 19 THE WITNESS: Carlos Alberto Guillen Moreno.
- THE COURT: Spell your last name, please.
- THE WITNESS: M-O-R-E-N-O.
- THE COURT: You may inquire.
- MR. JUENGER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 24 CARLOS MORENO, GOVERNMENT'S WITNESS SWORN
- 25 DIRECT EXAMINATION

## 1 BY MR. JUENGER:

- 2 Q. Mr. Moreno, how old are you?
- 3 A. 55.
- 4 Q. And where were you born?
- 5 A. In Bolivia.
- 6 Q. Are you a citizen of Bolivia?
- 7 A. Yes, I am a Bolivian citizen.
- 8 Q. What country do you currently live in?
- 9 A. In the United States of America.
- 10 Q. And what city do you currently live in?
- 11 A. In Doral.
- 12 Q. And how long have you been living in the United States, more or
- 13 less?
- 14 A. About a year and-a-half, more or less.
- 15 Q. And what is your Immigration status here in the United States?
- 16 A. I have pending asylum.
- 17 Q. And what's the basis for your asylum?
- 18 A. Political persecution by the Bolivian Government.
- 19 Q. And Mr. Moreno, do you have family?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And who are your family, your immediate family?
- 22 A. My wife and three children.
- 23 O. And where are your wife and three children?
- 24 A. My wife and my daughter are in Argentina, one son is in
- 25 Colombia and one is in Spain.

- 1 Q. And are they Bolivian citizens?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And then, why are they in Argentina and Spain, et cetera?
- 4 A. Because we all had to leave Bolivia.
- 5 Q. Mr. Moreno, what do you currently do for a living?
- 6 A. I send cargo to Bolivia.
- 7 Q. Do you have a cargo company?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Okay. And what did you do when you lived in Bolivia?
- 10 A. I was an attorney. I also had a catering business and I also
- 11 had the restaurant.
- 12 Q. And how long were you a lawyer in Bolivia?
- 13 A. Approximately 27, 28 years.
- 14 Q. And what type of law did you practice in Bolivia?
- 15 A. Civil and commercial.
- 16 Q. Mr. Moreno, are you familiar with a man named Humberto Roca?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And how long have you known Mr. Roca?
- 19 A. All my life.
- 20 Q. Are you related to him?
- 21 A. Yes, he's my cousin.
- 22 Q. And did you, aside from being related to him, did you have
- 23 business dealings with him in Bolivia?
- 24 A. Yes, I worked several times with him. At one point, I was even
- 25 his partner.

- 1 Q. Could you give us a little more description about your business
- 2 dealings with him?
- 3 A. We had a company whereby we sold agricultural products and we
- 4 marketed agricultural products and we had a lighting distribution
- 5 company. I also worked with him as an advisor for several of his
- 6 businesses.
- 7 Q. Were you involved in an airline at all?
- 8 A. Yes. I advised Humberto when he was beginning his
- 9 participation in this airline, Aerosur, because the company at that
- 10 point, was bankrupt and he tried to go in and rescue it.
- 11 Q. What role did Mr. Roca have with Aerosur?
- 12 A. Humberto took over the company when it was bankrupt and
- 13 transformed it into the largest airline in Bolivia.
- 14 Q. Did he have an official title at Aerosur?
- 15 A. Yes, he was president.
- 16 Q. And where does Mr. Roca currently live?
- 17 A. In Miami Lakes.
- 18 Q. Is that here in Florida?
- 19 A. Yes, here in Southern Florida.
- 20 Q. And how long has he been in Southern Florida?
- 21 A. If I'm not mistaken, he arrived here towards the end of 2010.
- 22 Q. And why did Mr. Roca come here?
- 23 A. He remained here also because he was being politically
- 24 persecuted by the Government.
- 25 Q. Now, were you charged with crimes in Bolivia?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And what were you charged with, specifically?
- 3 A. Pretty much threw the entire Penal Code at me. I was accused
- 4 of terrorism, subversion, and illicit enrichment.
- 5 Q. And what is it that you were alleged to have done in Bolivia
- 6 that led to these charges?
- 7 A. That I was financing terrorism.
- 8 Q. But what did you actually do?
- 9 A. I sold a car to a gentleman who was later murdered at a hotel
- 10 and he was charged with terrorism. And basically, then, when I sold
- 11 him the car and he was a foreigner and pats himself off as a news
- 12 journalist.
- I had a restaurant with local type food fair and because he was
- 14 a foreigner, I invited him to come and dine. Basically, that was my
- 15 relationship with him.
- 16 Q. So you sold a man a car?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you invited him to dinner?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Did you engage in terrorism Mr. Moreno?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Now, Mr. Moreno do you know a man by the name of Mario Fabricio
- 23 Ormachea Aliaga?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And did you ever meet him personally?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. How many times did you meet him?
- 3 A. Twice.
- 4 Q. And did you ever communicate with him over the telephone?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. How many times, more or less?
- 7 A. Ten, 12; 12 times.
- 8 Q. And when was it that you met with him and you communicated with
- 9 him over the telephone? Just tell us the month and the year.
- 10 A. Beginning of August of last year and end of July of last year.
- 11 Q. And Mr. Moreno, do you see Mr. Ormachea here in the courtroom
- 12 today?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. And can you please point him out to us and describe something
- 15 that he's wearing?
- 16 A. Yes. He's seated over there and he's wearing a blue jacket and
- 17 a baby blue tie.
- 18 MR. JUENGER: Your Honor, may the written record reflect
- 19 the witness has identified the Defendant?
- 20 THE COURT: The record will so reflect.
- 21 MR. JUENGER: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 22 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 23 Q. Now, Mr. Moreno, to be a little more specific, when in August
- 24 or late July was it when you met or first spoke with the Defendant
- 25 on the telephone?

- 1 A. The first time I met with him I believe was August 5th of last 2 year.
- 3 Q. And when would it have been the first time you spoke with him
- 5 A. If I'm not mistaken, August the 2nd or the 3rd.
- 6 Q. So a few days before you actually met him?
- 7 A. Yes.

4 on the phone?

- 8 Q. Now, did he call you or did you call him?
- 9 A. He called me.
- 10 Q. And what was the telephone number that he called you on and can
- 11 you say it slowly, please?
- 12 A. 305-748-3075.
- 13 Q. And now, did you know that the Defendant was going to call you
- 14 on that telephone?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 O. And how did you know that?
- 17 A. Because a friend from Bolivia had told me that he was going to
- 18 get in contact with me through that number.
- 19 Q. And who was that friend in Bolivia?
- 20 A. Jose Maria Penaranda (phonetic).
- 21 Q. Who is that person?
- 22 A. He was a client of mine in Bolivia.
- 23 Q. And now, when he called you, did the Defendant identify
- 24 himself?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And who did he say he was?
- 2 A. He told me he was Colonel Fabricio Ormachea.
- 3 Q. And what did Colonel Ormachea say to you in this first call?
- 4 A. He told me he was calling on behalf of Jose Maria Penaranda who
- 5 was already in Washington.
- 6 Q. Who was in Washington?
- 7 A. Mr. Ormachea.
- 8 Q. And what else did he say? Did he say what he was doing in
- 9 Washington, D.C.?
- 10 A. Yeah, because I asked him what he was doing there because I was
- 11 expecting his phone call from Bolivia.
- 12 Q. And what did he say?
- 13 A. He told me that he had already met with the FBI and that he had
- 14 already handed all the documentation against the exiles here with
- 15 the exception of the papers belonging to the friend.
- 16 O. Did he use the words FBI?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. And you said he talked about the friend? Is that what you
- 19 said?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. And who was the friend?
- 22 A. Humberto Roca.
- 23 Q. And why do you say it was Humberto Roca?
- 24 A. Because according to prior communication I had with him, he
- 25 told me he was coming here to meet with Humberto Roca.

- 1 Q. And what else did he say to you?
- 2 A. That he had handed those papers over to the FBI to sort of make
- 3 life difficult for those who were here. But in the case of the
- 4 friend that it was not going to be that way and that is why he
- 5 wanted to meet with me.
- 6 Q. What else did the Defendant have to say?
- 7 A. That he would call me back the next day to let me know when he
- 8 would be arriving in Miami.
- 9 Q. And did he come to Miami the next day?
- 10 A. He called me the following day to tell me what flight he would
- 11 be arriving on in order for me to await him at the airport.
- 12 Q. Did you pick him up at the airport?
- 13 A. Yes, I picked him up at the airport.
- 14 Q. You said you never met him before this, right?
- 15 A. That is true.
- 16 Q. So how did you know to pick him up at the airport?
- 17 A. Because we left off that we would call each other or talk to
- 18 each other once he deplaned and that we would fix a meeting point.
- 19 Q. Okay. And now, what did you do after you picked him up from
- 20 the airport? Where did you take him?
- 21 A. I took him to the Restaurant Tropical.
- 22 Q. And where was the Restaurant Tropical?
- 23 A. In Doral on 36th Street and 39 Avenue.
- 24 Q. And as you drove to the restaurant did the Defendant say
- 25 anything about Mr. Roca's cases?

- 1 A. About his personal cases?
- 2 Q. Yes.
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. What did he say?
- 5 A. He told me that my case had really not moved, that the
- 6 prosecutor had not presented anything and that I shouldn't worry
- 7 about it because he was keeping an eye on it.
- 8 Q. But what about Mr. Roca's case? Did he say anything about Mr.
- 9 Roca's case?
- 10 A. Yes. He told me that Humberto's cases were in his hands and
- 11 that he wanted to help Humberto. And that he could intervene in
- 12 that respect because he was in charge of those cases.
- 13 Q. Now, who was at this meeting at the restaurant?
- 14 A. Colonel Ormachea was there, Humberto Roca, one of his
- 15 attorneys, and myself.
- 16 Q. And do you recall the name of the attorney?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Okay. That's fine.
- 19 How long was this meeting?
- 20 A. Approximately one hour.
- 21 Q. And were you there for the entire meeting?
- 22 A. No, because I went out for a smoke.
- 23 O. Well, while you were there, what did the Defendant have to say
- 24 during this meeting?
- 25 A. He spoke to Humberto and told him what was going on in Bolivia,

- 1 the cases that were there. He told him that he could help him and
- 2 he was doing so because Humberto was a good person and that he knew
- 3 that Humberto was innocent. And for that reason, he intended to
- 4 help him.
- 5 Q. Did he say how he could help Mr. Roca?
- 6 A. Yes. That he could somehow work on the reports that he drafted
- 7 and sort of trying to lead those reports to those persons who were
- 8 responsible away from the company and all the things that had
- 9 happened to Humberto -- responsible for the issues affecting the
- 10 company.
- 11 Q. Can you repeat your answer, please.
- 12 A. That he could help Humberto by re-routing the investigation,
- 13 detouring the investigation towards the people who were truly
- 14 responsible regarding the situation of the company and all of the
- 15 lawsuits that Humberto had regarding the company.
- 16 Q. Now, at any point during this meeting, did the Defendant ask
- 17 Mr. Roca for anything in exchange for this help?
- 18 THE INTERPRETER: I'm sorry. For the interpreter, could
- 19 you repeat the question?
- MR. JUENGER: Sure.
- 21 BY MR. JUENGER:
- 22 Q. During this meeting, did the Defendant ask Mr. Roca for
- 23 anything in exchange for this help?
- 24 A. No.
- 25 Q. During this meeting, did Mr. Roca offer the Defendant anything

- 1 in exchange for the help?
- 2 A. No.
- 3 Q. Well, did the Defendant say why he wanted to help Mr. Roca?
- 4 A. The Defendant gave an explanation of what was going on in
- 5 Bolivia, the situation regarding those who thought differently than
- 6 the Government, which applies to Humberto Roca. And that he was
- 7 doing it with him because he knew he was innocent because he admired
- 8 him as a person and as a businessman, because he greatly helped
- 9 those people who were poor and those in need.
- 10 And as a matter of fact, once, he actually gave him some
- 11 airline tickets for something that he had done at the airport in
- 12 Trompillo -- I'm sorry. Bebida -- there's two airports -- Bebida.
- 13 When he was the head of the anti-drug unit at that airport.
- 14 Q. Now, Mr. Moreno, you have used the word he a lot in there.
- 15 Could you explain who gave who the airline tickets and what they
- 16 were for?
- 17 A. Humberto Roca gave currently Colonel Ormachea the tickets and
- 18 that is what Colonel Ormachea said.
- 19 Q. Now, after this meeting was over, how did the Defendant get
- 20 back to the airport?
- 21 A. I took him.
- 22 Q. And during that drive back to the airport did he talk at all?
- 23 Did the Defendant talk at all about Mr. Roca's cases?
- 24 A. I'm telling you, prior to getting to the airport, I took him to
- 25 a sports shop where he could do some shopping.

- 1 In Bolivia I used to be the vice president of a soccer club and
- 2 he is a fan of one of the soccer teams in La Paz. And he was
- 3 telling me about what was going on with soccer in Bolivia.
- 4 When we left the shop, the store, en route to the airport he
- 5 told me, Brother, I am going to help Humberto to resolve his
- 6 problems because he is a good person. And that is, basically, in
- 7 general terms, what he told me while we were in the car.
- 8 Q. Now, after this meeting that took place at Tropical Restaurant,
- 9 did you ever here from the Defendant again?
- 10 A. Yes. He called me on the phone once or twice from Bolivia. He
- 11 sent me an e-mail. And I saw him again when I went to pick him up
- 12 at the airport when he returned.
- 13 Q. Okay. When was it that he returned?
- 14 A. If I'm not mistaken, somewhere around the 28th of August.
- 15 Q. Now, did you talk to Mr. Roca about the fact that the Defendant
- 16 was coming back?
- 17 A. Yes. I did tell Humberto that he had sent me an e-mail telling
- 18 me that he was arriving on LAN via Lima on the date that he
- 19 indicated, somewhere around 1800 hours or 1400 hours, or
- 20 thereabouts.
- 21 Q. And what was the date that he returned to Miami?
- 22 A. It was 28th of August; 27th, 28th of August, thereabouts.
- 23 O. And what time did he arrive in Miami?
- 24 A. His flight was delayed by seven hours, more or less, and he
- 25 arrived, more or less around by midnight, 11:00 at night.

- 1 Q. And did you pick him up at the airport?
- 2 A. Yes, I did pick him up at the airport.
- 3 Q. Where did you take him?
- 4 A. I took him to a hotel on 36th Street, which he told me he knew
- 5 -- the Colonel told me he knew.
- 6 Q. And did you pick him up the next day?
- 7 A. Yes, we agreed that I would stop by to pick him up. Once
- 8 Humberto was home so they could get together.
- 9 Q. And what time was it, more or less, when you picked him up?
- 10 A. Approximately between 1:00 to 2:00 in the afternoon.
- 11 Q. And where did you take him?
- 12 A. To Humberto Roca's house.
- 13 O. And where is Humberto Roca's house?
- 14 A. In Miami Lakes.
- 15 Q. And who was at Mr. Roca's house when you and the Defendant
- 16 arrived?
- 17 A. Humberto Roca. There was no one else. There was no one else
- 18 that I had seen at the time.
- 19 Q. Okay. So who was in the house at the time?
- 20 A. Humberto Roca and some people from the FBI.
- 21 Q. Where were the people from the FBI?
- 22 A. In Humberto Roca's bedroom.
- 23 O. Did you know they were there at the time?
- 24 A. That they were there? No, I was surprised.
- 25 Q. Did anyone tell Colonel Ormachea that the FBI was there?

- 1 A. Not that I know of.
- 2 Q. Okay. And were you present when the Defendant and Mr. Roca had
- 3 their meeting?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. And what happened after the meeting was over?
- 6 A. I took Colonel Ormachea for lunch because we had not had lunch.
- 7 We went to a Peruvian restaurant on 36th Street and we had lunch and
- 8 then we went to a weapons store that was next store. He bought a
- 9 holster and a clip.
- 10 THE INTERPRETER: The interpreter is going to ask for
- 11 clarification on the term.
- 12 A. Clip. He asked for other items and, then, I took him back to
- 13 his hotel. I left him there.
- 14 And he told me that once Humberto let him know that he would
- 15 call him back so that I could go by and take him back to Humberto's
- 16 house.
- 17 Q. And was there another meeting at Mr. Roca's house the next day?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. And did Mr. Roca ask you to get something for him at that
- 20 meeting?
- 21 A. Yes. He asked me to get \$10,000 in cash in one hundred dollar
- 22 bills or denominations for the meeting the following day.
- 23 Q. And did you do that?
- 24 A. Yes, I got it.
- 25 Q. And did you pick the Defendant up for this second meeting the

- 1 next day?
- 2 A. I called him in order to pick him up, but he told me he was
- 3 ready in a car. And that I should, actually, just give him the
- 4 address for Humberto Roca and so that he go straight over to his
- 5 house.
- 6 Q. So were you present at Mr. Roca's house for this second meeting
- 7 between Mr. Roca and the Defendant?
- 8 A. No, I was not there.
- 9 Q. And did you ever see or speak with the Defendant after that?
- 10 A. No, never again.
- 11 MR. JUENGER: I pass the witness, Your Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: Cross-examination.
- MS. DOAKES: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 14 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 15 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 16 Q. Mr. Guillen, am I pronouncing that correctly, sir?
- 17 A. Yes. Thank you very much.
- 18 Q. You are Mr. Roca's second cousin; is that right?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. You grew up in the same village?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And after you graduated from school you worked for him,
- 23 correct?
- 24 A. Yes, I did work for him.
- 25 Q. And you've worked for him for how many years?

- 1 A. I always worked at my own law offices and I did consulting work
- 2 both for him and other people.
- 3 Q. You work for him today; is that right?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. Now, you've handled Mr. Roca's financial affairs; is that
- 6 correct, sir?
- 7 A. No.
- 8 Q. Well, he trusts you enough to go and get money for him,
- 9 correct?
- 10 A. Yes, but that doesn't mean that I manage his financial affairs.
- 11 Q. You have access to a bank account?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. You testified that you went and got money -- and this would
- 14 have been on the 29th, \$10,000 for Mr. Roca; is that right?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. And that money was at a bank; is that correct?
- 17 A. No.
- 18 Q. Well, where was the money at?
- 19 A. At a check cashing.
- 20 Q. From a wire?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. When you say a check cashing, you mean like a check cashing
- 23 place?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And Mr. Roca gave you have a check; is that right?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. He gave you a card; is that right?
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Well, what did he give you so you could get \$10,000, sir?
- 5 A. He asked me and I worked at a check cashing place.
- 6 Q. So you worked at a check cashing place?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you have access to money at this check cashing place?
- 9 A. If you do the appropriate transaction for a loan or the
- 10 appropriate request, yes.
- 11 Q. So you say you borrowed \$10,000 to give to Mr. Roca?
- 12 A. No.
- 13 Q. Well, how did you get the \$10,000 Mr. Guillen?
- 14 A. Since I worked at the check cashing place, right, I requested
- 15 the people from the check cashing store for them to give me a loan
- 16 for \$10,000 in \$100 bills in order to return the money immediately
- 17 because this request was made at night and there was no way for me
- 18 to get it.
- 19 Q. You did this because you're loyal to Mr. Roca; is that right?
- 20 A. Because it was a normal request. It was a favor.
- 21 Q. As a favor?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 O. For Mr. Roca?
- 24 A. Naturally.
- 25 Q. Now, the last time that you entered into the United States was

- 1 in August of 2012; is that correct?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And you entered as a tourist, right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. You said you were coming into the United States for purposes of
- 6 a vacation, right?
- 7 A. Initially, I came into the United States by saying that I was
- 8 coming here to see Humberto and, obviously, to spend some time here.
- 9 Q. For vacation, right? Correct?
- 10 A. To spend some time.
- 11 Q. But that wasn't true, right?
- 12 A. It was true.
- 13 Q. Well, you were coming here to stay permanently in the United
- 14 States; is that right?
- 15 A. I've always had in mind returning back to Bolivia, one way or
- 16 another.
- 17 Q. But you haven't returned, correct?
- 18 A. Because the Bolivia Government would not allow me to.
- 19 Q. I understand, but you haven't returned to Bolivia; is that
- 20 correct?
- 21 A. I came into the United States before I came in August of 2012,
- 22 before that. I spent six months here and I went to Argentina in
- 23 order to be with my family. After that I returned to the U.S. also
- 24 with the intention of returning to Bolivia waiting for the situation
- 25 in Bolivia to resolve itself.

- 1 Q. Mr. Guillen, you have not answered my question.
- 2 A. I did not understand.
- 3 Q. You have not returned to Bolivia since you arrived here in
- 4 August of 2012, correct?
- 5 A. No, I have not returned.
- 6 Q. And when you came to the United States in August of 2012, you
- 7 had a place to live; is that right?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Because Mr. Roca provided that for you?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And the apartment that you live in, currently in Doral, Mr.
- 12 Roca owns that apartment, correct?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. You had access to transportation; is that correct? You had a
- 15 car?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. Provided by Mr. Roca?
- 18 A. Not at that time.
- 19 Q. But he did, eventually, provide you with a car, correct?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. The company, this export company that you've incorporated, that
- 22 company is registered to Mr. Roca's address in Miami Lakes, correct?
- 23 A. No.
- 24 Q. You have applied for political asylum in the United States,
- 25 correct?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 Q. And you applied for political asylum in October of 2012; is
- 3 that right?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. And that application is still pending; is that correct?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And if that application is denied you will be deported; is that
- 8 right?
- 9 A. I assume. I really don't know what the next legal step would
- 10 be.
- 11 Q. You don't want to be deported to Bolivia, do you?
- 12 A. I don't believe that the U.S. Government would deport me back
- 13 to Bolivia.
- 14 Q. Well, because if you are returned to Bolivia, you will be
- 15 arrested; is that correct?
- 16 A. It is possible that the political forces in Bolivia might
- 17 arrest me.
- 18 Q. Because you have a criminal case that's currently pending,
- 19 right?
- 20 A. Yes. We have a political case that has been elevated to the
- 21 court system.
- 22 Q. Now, I understand that you believe it to be political, but the
- 23 Bolivian Government does not believe that, correct?
- MR. JUENGER: Objection as to foundation, Your Honor, as to
- 25 what the Bolivian authorities believe.

- 1 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 2 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 3 Q. Well, you were charged in 2009 by the Bolivian Government with
- 4 financing terrorists, correct?
- 5 A. Correct.
- 6 Q. And that is a crime; is that right?
- 7 A. If they can prove it.
- 8 Q. But it's a crime, sir?
- 9 A. It's a crime, but only for the individuals who have committed
- 10 it. Not necessarily for me.
- 11 Q. And the Bolivian Government has proceeded to try you in
- 12 absentia; is that right?
- 13 A. No. What the Bolivian Government has actually done is to file
- 14 the case, open up the case, formerly charge me, issue an arrest
- 15 warrant and table the case or --
- 16 O. What was the last thing he said?
- 17 A. Table or simply put the case in a drawer. The case is dormant.
- 18 Q. Now, after Mr. Ormachea was arrested, you told Mr. Penaranda
- 19 that Mr. Ormachea said he's innocent, correct?
- 20 A. I don't understand the question.
- 21 Q. Well, after Mr. Ormachea was arrested you continued to have
- 22 communication with Mr. Penaranda; is that correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. And you were telling Mr. Penaranda what was going on with the
- 25 pending case; is that correct?

- 1 A. Which case?
- 2 O. The case here that we're in court for.
- 3 A. Mr. Penaranda found out through the press. Then he asked me
- 4 about the case.
- 5 Q. And you told him what was going on, right?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 O. Well, you told Mr. Penaranda that Mr. Ormachea said he was
- 8 innocent, correct?
- 9 A. You mean that Penarada was innocent?
- 10 O. You told Mr. Penaranda that Mr. Ormachea said he believed he
- 11 was innocent, correct?
- 12 A. I repeat, once again, when you say he, do you mean Penaranda?
- 13 O. Correct.
- 14 A. I don't remember.
- 15 Q. Well, you believed that Mr. Ormachea is innocent as well,
- 16 correct?
- 17 A. Of what?
- 18 Q. Well, after he was arrested and you called Attorney Joe
- 19 Rosenbaum to go and meet with him, didn't you?
- 20 A. Lawyer who?
- 21 Q. You never called attorney Joe Rosenbaum to meet with Mr.
- 22 Ormachea at the jail?
- 23 A. Never.
- 24 Q. Now, prior to the meeting with Mr. Ormachea on August 5th, you
- 25 had never met with him; is that correct?

- 1 A. I don't remember. Mr. Ormachea told me that he had been
- 2 present at the time when I gave his statement in Bolivia, but I
- 3 don't remember.
- 4 Q. Now, a few days before August 5th of 2013, you had testified
- 5 that you had received a call from Mr. Ormachea from a U.S. telephone
- 6 number; is that right?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And you said that he had told you that he was in D.C. to hand
- 9 in paperwork to the FBI; is that right?
- 10 A. That he had already delivered them.
- 11 Q. Well, you don't know what paperwork he had delivered; is that
- 12 right?
- 13 A. He only told me that that was in order to make life difficult
- 14 for those people who were here, asylum seekers, except for those
- 15 that related to the friend.
- 16 Q. Sir, you were interviewed by Prosecutor Byrne, Juenger, this
- 17 agent, and another agent some time in December/January, correct?
- 18 A. No, just the three of them.
- 19 Q. And at the time of that interview, sir, you told the truth; is
- 20 that correct?
- 21 A. At all times.
- 22 Q. And you told them all the facts that you knew about the case;
- 23 is that right?
- 24 A. The same things I'm talking about here.
- 25 Q. You told him about the same things you're talking about here,

- 1 right?
- 2 A. Basically, I believe so.
- 3 Q. You told them that Mr. Ormachea went to D.C. to turn in some
- 4 papers about exiles; is that correct, sir?
- 5 A. I told them that Mr. Ormachea had told me that that's what they
- 6 had done.
- 7 Q. Isn't it true, sir, that you stated that Mr. Ormachea told you
- 8 that he was in D.C. at the FBI turning in papers, but not papers
- 9 about our friend; is that correct?
- 10 A. That is the version he gave me.
- 11 Q. Well, you never said anything about those papers were
- 12 concerning exiles? You never told the agents and the prosecutors
- 13 that, did you, during that meeting?
- 14 A. I think I did.
- 15 Q. Regarding the August 5th meeting, you picked Mr. Ormachea, up
- 16 from the airport?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. You drove Mr. Ormachea from the restaurant to the airport; is
- 19 that correct?
- 20 A. After going by the sporting goods store.
- 21 Q. But you drove him to the restaurant for the meeting?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And at that meeting, you said that there was a lawyer present;
- 24 is that correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And that lawyer is also a police officer; isn't that correct?
- 2 A. I've never seen his badge, but I suppose he is.
- 3 Q. Mr. Roca paid for the meals; is that right?
- 4 A. Well, in fact, the only one that had anything to eat was
- 5 Colonel Mr. Ormachea.
- 6 Q. And Mr. Roca paid for Mr. Ormachea's meal; is that correct?
- 7 A. Well, normally, or generally, Humberto pays for all the dinners
- 8 wherever we go.
- 9 Q. And during that meeting at the restaurant, Mr. Ormachea told
- 10 what he could do for Mr. Roca?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. He talked about how he could help Mr. Roca?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Because Mr. Ormachea is a police officer in the Bolivian
- 15 Police, right?
- 16 A. Yes. Colonel Ormachea actually said he was the chief of the
- 17 Anti-Corruption Unit of the Bolivian Police.
- 18 Q. And he's the person that's involved in the investigation,
- 19 correct?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. Of Mr. Roca?
- 22 A. Yes. And in fact, during his second trip, he told me that he
- 23 had also been put in charge of my case.
- 24 Q. We're talking about the first trip right now. And we're
- 25 talking about what Mr. Ormachea could do for Mr. Roca.

- 1 A. Okay.
- 2 Q. Now, as being in control of the investigation of Mr. Roca --
- 3 and you agree that Mr. Ormachea was in control of the investigation,
- 4 correct?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. He could provide information to Mr. Roca concerning his case,
- 7 correct?
- 8 A. To him, or to his attorney, or whoever is in charge.
- 9 Q. He could provide that information?
- 10 A. If he's the one responsible.
- 11 Q. For Mr. Roca's benefit, correct?
- 12 A. That's what Mr. Ormachea claimed.
- 13 Q. And Mr. Ormachea could also tell Mr. Roca what types of
- 14 evidence that had been gathered against him in the case, correct?
- 15 A. The evidence that could be gathered in the case, they were
- 16 public records because they were within the records of the company.
- 17 And what he would be able to tell him is how that evidence was going
- 18 to be used because he was the one that was handling it.
- 19 Q. So he could tell him how that evidence was going to be used by
- 20 the prosecutors against him, correct?
- 21 A. As I testified before, Colonel Ormachea stated that he could
- 22 redirect the investigation to head it towards those who were truly
- 23 responsible. That is, those who were quilty for the company's
- 24 situation and which is the reason why Humberto Roca is facing
- 25 various prosecutions.

- 1 Q. But Mr. Ormachea could also advise Mr. Roca as to what the
- 2 prosecutors were intending to do in his case?
- 3 A. I don't know that for a fact. What I'm trying to tell you is,
- 4 according to information that has been published in newspapers
- 5 there's a corruption network in Bolivia where prosecutors and police
- 6 officers are involved in order to do this type of thing.
- 7 And actually, extort individuals, innocent people in order to
- 8 remove them from the political and economic spheres. So that these
- 9 individuals would not have a place to voice any comments, or make
- 10 any remarks regarding what the Government is doing in terms of drug
- 11 trafficking, corruption, and other things.
- 12 It is so much so that a United States citizen has suffered the
- 13 same fate. The individual's name is Strider, if I'm not mistaken.
- 14 He was, in fact, in a jail in Bolivia for two years without any
- 15 reason, according to what the newspapers are saying. And this was
- 16 due to the work conducted by the police officers and prosecutors
- 17 against innocent individuals.
- 18 Q. Mr. Guillen, you still didn't answer my question. So I'm going
- 19 to break it down for you again.
- 20 A. Okay. Thank you.
- 21 Q. Mr. Ormachea was in command of the investigation against Mr.
- 22 Roca, correct?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. That is the corruption investigation; is that right?
- 25 A. I don't know what is the exact subject of the prosecution

- 1 because he actually has many cases.
- 2 Q. But he was involved in the investigation of Mr. Roca on one of
- 3 those cases, right, and you just don't know which one?
- 4 A. What I do know, according to Colonel Ormachea's own words, is
- 5 that he was heading and he was responsible for several cases, cases
- 6 relating to Humberto Roca. Now, specifically which one, I do not
- 7 know.
- 8 Q. Mr. Ormachea told you that he was in charge of several
- 9 investigations involving Mr. Roca, correct?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. And as part of those investigations he is responsible, would
- 12 you agree, for gathering evidence?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. He's also responsible for talking to the prosecutors; is that
- 15 right?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 O. And by talking to the prosecutors, would you agree that he
- 18 would get information about how they're proceeding on the case?
- 19 MR. JUENGER: I'm going to object as to foundation.
- 20 THE COURT: Sustained.
- 21 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 22 Q. Now, regarding the August 30th meeting, you picked Mr. Ormachea
- 23 up from the hotel; is that right?
- 24 A. Is August 30th the last meeting?
- 25 Q. That would have been the second meeting, sir.

- 1 A. The second one during that trip?
- 2 Q. August 30th.
- 3 A. No.
- 4 Q. Sir, you just testified on direct examination that on August
- 5 30th you picked Mr. Ormachea up from the hotel?
- 6 A. I did not give a specific date.
- 7 What I did say was that during the specific meeting, I took him
- 8 there and for the second meeting, he went in his own car.
- 9 Q. Okay. You drove Mr. Ormachea to Mr. Roca's house, right?
- 10 A. When?
- 11 Q. This would have been on August 30th, sir, the very first time
- 12 you drove Mr. Ormachea to Mr. Roca's house.
- 13 A. The first time, yes.
- 14 Q. And you drove Mr. Ormachea to Mr. Roca's house because Mr. Roca
- 15 asked you to do that, correct?
- 16 A. Well, honestly, I actually took him there because Colonel
- 17 Ormachea wrote to me in order to pick him up at the airport. I
- 18 dropped him off at the hotel. He did not have a car. So then,
- 19 there was no one else who could take him to Humberto Roca's house.
- 20 Q. But you wouldn't have taken Mr. Ormachea to Mr. Roca's house
- 21 without Mr. Roca agreeing to it, correct?
- 22 A. Evident. Obvious.
- 23 Q. Now, during this car ride, you and Mr. Ormachea talked about
- 24 the meeting; is that right?
- 25 A. Yes. We discussed the fact that Humberto Roca had been busy

- 1 and that's why the meeting could not be held earlier and that's why
- 2 we were going there somewhat late. And then, we discussed political
- 3 issues in Bolivia and sport things from Bolivia.
- 4 Q. And you also talked about Mr. Valda, right?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, may I have one minute?
- 7 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- 8 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 9 Q. Now, after Mr. Ormachea was arrested, Mr. Valda tried to get
- 10 the Bolivia charges dismissed against Mr. Roca, correct?
- 11 MR. JUENGER: Objection; foundation, Your Honor.
- 12 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 13 THE WITNESS: I don't know.
- 14 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 15 Q. Prior to your testimony here today, you and Mr. Roca have
- 16 talked bout this case against Mr. Ormachea, have you not?
- 17 A. You mean now?
- 18 Q. Prior to your testimony here today, you discussed the charges
- 19 against Mr. Ormachea with Mr. Roca?
- 20 A. No.
- 21 Q. You've discussed the charges against Mr. Ormachea with Mr.
- 22 Valda?
- 23 A. No.
- MS. DOAKES: May I have one moment, Your Honor.
- THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.

- 1 MS. DOAKES: Thank you, Your Honor. I have no further
- 2 questions.
- 3 THE COURT: Any redirect?
- 4 MR. JUENGER: No redirect, Your Honor.
- 5 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Moreno. You may step down.
- 6 Call your next witness.
- 7 MR. BYRNE: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 8 The Government calls Officer Joel McMillon from Customs and
- 9 Border Protection.
- 10 (Witness sworn.)
- 11 THE COURT: Have a seat, sir. Tell us your full name.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Joel McMillon.
- THE COURT: And spell your last name, please.
- 14 THE WITNESS: M-C-M-I-L-L-O-N.
- 15 THE COURT: And could you speak louder, please?
- 16 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir.
- 17 THE COURT: All right. Go ahead, sir.
- JOEL MCMILLON, GOVERNMENT'S WITNESS SWORN
- 19 DIRECT EXAMINATION
- 20 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 21 Q. Good afternoon.
- 22 A. Good afternoon.
- 23 O. What do you do for a living?
- 24 A. I'm a Customs and Border Protection Officer.
- 25 Q. How long have you been a Customs and Border Protection Officer?

- 1 A. Approximately ten years.
- 2 Q. Can you tell us just what an average day at the office is like
- 3 for someone like you?
- 4 A. Yes. I process passengers who arrive internationally from
- 5 various countries.
- 6 Q. Where, physically, is your workplace?
- 7 A. Miami International Airport.
- 8 Q. Okay. And when you say you assist people who arrive
- 9 internationally --
- 10 A. Uh-huh.
- 11 Q. -- just briefly describe what that typically entails?
- 12 A. Well, like visitors to the United States and U.S. citizens to
- 13 the United States, I process them and their luggage.
- 14 Q. I want to direct your attention to August 29th of 2013. Were
- 15 you working on that date?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 O. Where were you working physically?
- 18 A. In baggage control secondary.
- 19 Q. And I want to just ask you, generally, what airport are we
- 20 talking about here again?
- 21 A. Miami International Airport.
- 22 Q. Now, when you say baggage control secondary?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. Can we walk through, just for the benefit of everyone here how
- 25 a person, when they arrive at Miami International Airport via an

- 1 international flight, kind of walk us where they go and then we will
- 2 talk about where baggage secondary is and that chain?
- 3 A. Okay. When they arrive, they come off the airplane and they go
- 4 up to a little booth where they will present their passport and a
- 5 Customs Declaration. He will examine it. And if everything is okay
- 6 with him, he will let them proceed.
- 7 And then, after that they go and get their baggage. And after
- 8 they get their baggage, they approach another officer who is the
- 9 primary for baggage control and he either releases them to be free
- 10 to go to the United States or they go to secondary.
- 11 Q. So at the first step they present a passport?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 O. And a Customs Declaration form?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 Q. And what is a Customs Declaration form?
- 16 A. It's a piece of paper that declares what you're bringing into
- 17 the United States, whether it be food, or more than \$10,000, any
- 18 commercial merchandise.
- 19 Q. Now, do domestic passengers have to fill out these Customs
- 20 Declaration forms?
- 21 A. No, sir.
- 22 Q. Who fills them out?
- 23 A. International passengers.
- 24 Q. So after they get past that first booth, you say --
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. They go and pick up their bags?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. And they go and meet another Customs officer?
- 4 A. Right.
- 5 Q. And that person either let's them go into the United States or
- 6 sends them to secondary?
- 7 A. Right.
- 8 Q. And you testified you were working at secondary?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 Q. Okay. And how do they decide who they send to secondary?
- 11 A. It can be random. It can be -- it can be random or the person
- 12 declares something that sends them into secondary also.
- 13 Q. And when they get to secondary, walk us through what happens
- 14 when they get there. Do they take their luggage with them?
- 15 A. They have their luggage.
- 16 Q. And what happens when they get there?
- 17 A. They present themselves, their passport, and the Customs
- 18 Declaration to the secondary officer who will ask them questions of
- 19 what are they going to do, whether they're here for business or for
- 20 pleasure and he may examine their bags.
- 21 Q. Is it like an interview?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. And do they always examine their bags at secondary?
- 24 A. Typically.
- 25 Q. August 29 of 2013, you're working at Miami International

- 1 Airport and you were working at secondary?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. Which shift were you working that day?
- 4 A. From 8:00 at night to 8:00 a.m.
- 5 Q. Now, on August 29th of 2013, did you encounter a man by the
- 6 name of Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. About what time did you encounter him?
- 9 A. At the start of my shift, more than likely.
- 10 O. And about what time was that?
- 11 A. Midnight.
- 12 Q. Okay. Did the Defendant have anything with him -- I'm sorry --
- 13 did the man, Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga that you encountered,
- 14 have anything with him?
- 15 A. He had his passport and he had a Customs Declaration and some
- 16 luggage.
- 17 O. Now, you said earlier at secondary, the Customs and Border
- 18 Protection Officer asks the person who arrives at secondary, the
- 19 traveler, some questions?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. What is that called that series of questions?
- 22 A. Binding Declaration.
- 23 Q. Did you conduct an interview and did you ask those questions to
- 24 the man named Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. Did you ask that person how long he intended to be in the
- 2 United States?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 Q. What did he tell you?
- 5 A. Two weeks.
- 6 Q. And did he say what purpose he had in coming to the United
- 7 States?
- 8 A. For pleasure.
- 9 Q. Now, did he say anything -- you said he was coming here for two
- 10 weeks -- did he say anything about having a reservation to fly back
- 11 to Bolivia on September 1st, just a few days after August 29th?
- 12 A. No, sir.
- 13 Q. You said that he said he was coming here for a vacation, two
- 14 weeks vacation?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. For pleasure, I think is the word you used.
- 17 Did he say anything about coming to meet a man by the name of
- 18 Humberto Roca?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. Did you ask this person what he did for a living?
- 21 A. He stated an attorney. Yes, I did.
- 22 Q. And what did he say?
- 23 A. Attorney.
- 24 Q. What did he say about being a member of the Bolivian National
- 25 Police?

- 1 A. Nothing.
- 2 Q. Now, after you had this exchange with Mr. Ormachea, did you
- 3 document that in any form?
- 4 A. Yes, in a report.
- 5 Q. Why do you do that?
- 6 A. Because we process so many passengers. If we didn't we
- 7 wouldn't know who was who, or what happened.
- 8 Q. This conversation you had with Mr. Ormachea, was it in English
- 9 or was it in Spanish?
- 10 A. I'm not sure but -- I'm not sure.
- 11 Q. Well, what's your best guest?
- 12 A. Probably English.
- 13 Q. Did the person, Mr. Ormachea, have any difficulty or did he
- 14 appear to have any difficulty in understanding you?
- 15 A. No.
- 16 Q. What happens if a passenger appears to have difficulty
- 17 understanding you during one of these interviews?
- 18 A. What do you mean? By language or --
- 19 Q. Right. If you encounter a passenger and they appear to have
- 20 difficulty understanding you, what do you do in that circumstance?
- 21 A. I get someone else to translate.
- 22 Q. Did you do that here?
- 23 A. I don't believe so.
- 24 Q. Why not?
- 25 A. Because -- why not? Because I could speak a little bit of

- 1 Spanish.
- 2 Q. And did the man, Mr. Ormachea, appear to have any difficulty
- 3 understanding you?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. I have in my hand what has been marked for identification as
- 6 Government's Exhibit Number 2.
- 7 MR. BYRNE: May I approach the witness, Your Honor?
- 8 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 9 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 10 Q. Can you take a look at that exhibit, please?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Do you recognize what has been marked for identification as
- 13 Government's Exhibit Number 2?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. What is it?
- 16 A. It's a Bolivian passport.
- 17 Q. Have you seen it before?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. How are you able to recognize it as something that you've seen
- 20 before?
- 21 A. From the report that I have and --
- 22 Q. Have there been any changes made to it since you last saw it?
- 23 A. Not that I can see, no.
- MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, the Government would offer what has
- 25 been marked for identification as Government's Exhibit Number 2 into

- 1 evidence.
- 2 MS. DOAKES: No objection, Your Honor.
- 3 THE COURT: It will be received into evidence.
- 4 MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, may I show it to the jury?
- 5 THE COURT: You surely may.
- 6 MR. BYRNE: Thank you.
- 7 Can everyone see that from where you're sitting? If there
- 8 is anybody that can't see it, if you want to raise your hand.
- 9 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 10 Q. Okay. What are we looking at here, Officer McMillon?
- 11 A. A Bolivian passport.
- 12 Q. Turning the passport to the third page and I'm zooming in.
- Okay. Whose name is on this passport?
- 14 A. Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga.
- 15 Q. What is the country of which he is a citizen, according to the
- 16 passport?
- 17 A. Bolivia.
- 18 Q. I want to turn your attention now to Page 21.
- 19 Okay. What is this right here that we are looking at?
- 20 A. That's an admission's statement into the United States dated
- 21 August 29, 2013.
- 22 Q. When does a passport get stamped with something like this?
- 23 A. When you arrive into the United States from an international
- 24 destination.
- 25 Q. What is the stamp here? There's a letter B and a number 2.

- 1 What does that mean?
- 2 A. That's means you stated that you were here for pleasure.
- 3 Q. Is there a different stamp that you get if you're here on
- 4 business?
- 5 A. B-1.
- 6 Q. If a person says he's here for business what do you stamp in
- 7 his passport?
- 8 A. B-1.
- 9 Q. Now, you said earlier that international passengers fill out
- 10 Customs Declaration forms?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, I have in my hand what has been
- 13 marked for identification as Government's Exhibit 1 and Government's
- 14 Exhibit 1-A.
- 15 May I approach the witness?
- 16 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 17 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 18 Q. I want to walk through these one by one. What is Government's
- 19 Exhibit 1?
- 20 A. The blank one or the --
- 21 Q. What is Government's Exhibit 1?
- 22 A. The declaration of Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga.
- 23 Q. Have you seen that before?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. When did you see it?

- 1 A. August 29th of 2013.
- 2 Q. Have there been any changes made since the last time you saw
- 3 it?
- 4 A. No.
- 5 Q. And how do you know specifically that that's the form of Mr.
- 6 Ormachea?
- 7 A. His name is here. His passport is here and his passport number
- 8 is here.
- 9 Q. Did you make any markings on that?
- 10 A. Yes, I initialled it and it states my badge number.
- 11 Q. All right. I want to turn your attention now to what has been
- 12 marked as Government's Exhibit 1-A.
- 13 What is that?
- 14 A. This is a blank Customs Declaration form in English.
- 15 Q. What language is that form in?
- 16 A. 1-A or --
- 17 O. 1-A?
- 18 A. English.
- 19 Q. And what language is Exhibit 1-A in, what form? The form that
- 20 has been marked as Government's Exhibit 1-A, what language is that
- 21 form written in?
- 22 A. 1-A is English.
- 23 O. And what is 1?
- 24 A. Spanish.
- 25 Q. Is 1-A a fair and accurate translation of what is in

- 1 Government's Exhibit 1?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, we would offer Government's
- 4 Exhibits 1 and 1-A into evidence.
- 5 MS. DOAKES: No objection.
- 6 THE COURT: It will be received into evidence.
- 7 MR. BYRNE: May I approach the witness again, Your Honor?
- 8 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 9 MR. BYRNE: Thank you.
- 10 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 11 Q. Okay. Again, just tell us, generally, what we're looking at
- 12 here?
- 13 A. That's the Custom Declaration that Mario Fabricio Ormachea
- 14 Aliaga presented.
- 15 Q. I want to zoom in here on what is entry number one. Question
- 16 number one, what does this question ask up here?
- 17 A. What's your name, your last name.
- 18 Q. And I want to turn your attention now to question number five,
- 19 what does that question ask?
- 20 A. What country was your passport issued from.
- 21 Q. And what is the country listed here?
- 22 A. Bolivia.
- 23 Q. I want to turn your attention now to question number nine, what
- 24 is this asking here?
- 25 A. The flight that you arrive -- the flight number that you

- 1 arrived on.
- 2 Q. And what is that flight number that is listed here?
- 3 A. LAN 2510.
- 4 Q. I want to now turn your attention to the tenth entry. What's
- 5 this question?
- 6 A. That question is, are you here for business or pleasure -- or
- 7 are you here for business.
- 8 Q. And what's the answer?
- 9 A. No.
- MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, may I have a moment?
- 11 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 12 MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, I have no further questions for
- 13 this witness.
- 14 THE COURT: Cross-examination.
- MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, I just have a couple of questions.
- 16 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- 17 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 18 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 19 Q. Good afternoon, Inspector.
- 20 A. Good afternoon.
- 21 Q. Inspector, you're familiar with the text system, correct?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. That's the passenger activity report; is that right?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And that text system is used by your office to assist with the

- 1 screening of visitors that comes into the United States; is that
- 2 correct?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, may I approach?
- 5 THE COURT: Yes, ma'am.
- 6 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 7 Q. Sir, I'm handing you what has been marked as Defendant's
- 8 Exhibit 4.
- 9 What is that, sir? That's a text printout that I just handed
- 10 you, correct?
- 11 A. Yes. That's text printout, yes.
- 12 Q. And is there a name on that text printout?
- 13 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 14 Q. And that name is Mario Fabricio Ormachea; is that right?
- 15 A. Yes, ma'am.
- 16 Q. And I want to refer your attention to the month of January of
- 17 2013 on that report --
- 18 A. Okay.
- 19 Q. -- on that report. There's a date?
- 20 A. You say January?
- 21 Q. January of 2013.
- 22 A. Okay.
- 23 Q. That report shows an arrival here in Miami on January 11th of
- 24 2013, correct?
- 25 A. Yes.

- 1 Q. And it shows a departure on January 27th of 2013; is that
- 2 correct?
- 3 MS. DOAKES: May I approach, Your Honor?
- 4 THE COURT: Yes, you may.
- 5 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 6 Q. Do you see a date of January 27th of 2013?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. And next to that date, do you see it says La Paz, Bolivia; is
- 9 that right?
- 10 A. Yes.
- MS. DOAKES: Thank you, sir.
- I have no further questions, Your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Anything else?
- MR. BYRNE: No, Your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. McMillon. You may step down.
- 16 Call your next witness.
- 17 MR. BYRNE: The next one is going to be a long one,
- 18 probably a couple of hours.
- 19 THE COURT: In that case, we should really get started
- 20 right away.
- 21 MR. BYRNE: Okay. Your Honor, the Government would call
- 22 Humberto Roca.
- 23 THE COURT: Raise your right hand to be sworn.
- 24 (Witness sworn through interpreter.)
- 25 THE COURT: Please be seated. Tell us your full name.

- 1 THE WITNESS: Humberto Antonio Roca Leigua.
- THE COURT: Would you spell your last name, please.
- 3 THE WITNESS: R-O-C-A L-E-I-G-U-A.
- 4 THE COURT: Go ahead, sir.
- 5 HUMBERTO ROCA, GOVERNMENT'S WITNESS SWORN
- 6 DIRECT EXAMINATION

## 7 BY MR. BYRNE:

- 8 Q. Mr. Roca, where do you live currently?
- 9 A. In Miami Lakes.
- 10 Q. How long have you lived in the United States?
- 11 A. Three years.
- 12 Q. Why did you come to the United States?
- 13 A. Because I was sick and I was a victim of political persecution
- 14 in Bolivia.
- 15 Q. Are you here in the United States legally or illegally?
- 16 A. Legally.
- 17 O. What is your legal status here in the United States?
- 18 A. I have political asylum.
- 19 Q. When did you obtain that status?
- 20 A. March 26, 2012.
- 21 Q. Is that before or after the events that gave rise to the trial
- 22 here today?
- 23 A. Prior.
- 24 Q. What do you currently do for a living?
- 25 A. I rent apartments.

- 1 Q. In Bolivia did you have a job?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And Bolivia what did you do for a living?
- 4 A. I was a private businessman. I had real estate investments and
- 5 agriculture, communications, food, and I also had an airline.
- 6 Q. I want to talk to you now about the airline. What was the name
- 7 of that airline?
- 8 A. Aerosur.
- 9 Q. Was Aerosur a public company or was it a private company?
- 10 A. Private.
- 11 Q. Who was Aerosur's primary competitor?
- 12 A. BOA; Bolivia Aviation.
- 13 Q. Was BOA a private company, or was it a public or state-run
- 14 company?
- 15 A. It belongs to the Government.
- 16 Q. Did you ultimately leave your job at Aerosur?
- 17 A. No, I was taken out.
- 18 Q. Why were you taken out of your job?
- 19 A. Because they filed charges against me and I was kicked out of
- 20 Bolivia.
- 21 Q. When you say they filed charges against you, what do you mean
- 22 by that? Who are you talking about they?
- 23 A. The Government.
- 24 Q. When Aerosur was competing with BOA did you ever speak out
- 25 against BOA publically?

- 1 THE INTERPRETER: Could you repeat the question for the
- 2 interpreter, please.
- 3 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 4 Q. When Aerosur was competing against BOA Airlines?
- 5 A. I did report corruption issues with BOA.
- 6 Q. And you say that you were charged by the Bolivian Government.
- 7 Did those criminal charges come before or after you spoke out
- 8 against BOA?
- 9 A. After.
- 10 Q. Now, you said that there were criminal charges filed against
- 11 you in Bolivia. What are the names of those cases?
- 12 A. Nardi Suxo versus Humberto Roca for contempt. Nardi Suxo
- 13 versus Humberto Roca for illicit enrichment against the state, and
- 14 then, ATT versus Humberto Roca also for illicit enrichment. And for
- 15 income tax and also from the taxing authority also versus Humberto
- 16 Roca for illegal enrichment. And some of the company employees for
- 17 illegal enrichment.
- 18 Q. Now, these cases against you, are they criminal cases or are
- 19 they civil cases?
- 20 A. They're all criminal.
- 21 Q. And I think you spoke a little bit to that when you were
- 22 describing the names of the cases, but what is the basic charge
- 23 against you?
- 24 A. That I took money that belonged to the state.
- 25 Q. Do you have an attorney who is representing you and defending

- 1 you against these charges in Bolivia?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. What is the name of that attorney?
- 4 A. Jorge Valda.
- 5 Q. Are you the only person who is named in these criminal cases?
- 6 A. Myself and my entire family.
- 7 Q. Does your entire family work for Aerosur?
- 8 A. No.
- 9 Q. We talked about the criminal charges against you in Bolivia.
- 10 Do you have a lawsuit against Bolivia as well?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. When did you file that lawsuit?
- 13 A. December 2, 2011.
- 14 Q. Was that lawsuit filed before or after the events that gave
- 15 rise to the charges in this case?
- 16 A. Prior.
- 17 Q. Have you met, personally, a man by the name of Mario Fabricio
- 18 Ormachea Aliaga?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. Approximately how many times have you met him in person?
- 21 A. Three.
- 22 Q. Have you talked to this man over the phone?
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 Q. About how many times?
- 25 A. Two or three times.

- 1 Q. If you see this man in court today, can you point to him and
- 2 please identify an article of clothing that he's wearing?
- 3 A. The man over there with the blue jacket.
- 4 MR. BYRNE: May the written record reflect that the witness
- 5 has identified the Defendant.
- 6 THE COURT: The record will so reflect.
- 7 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 8 Q. During the times that you met with the Defendant, what did he
- 9 tell you that he could do for you?
- 10 A. He would do something for all the charges to go away.
- 11 Q. What, specifically, did he say he could do to get the charges
- 12 away?
- 13 A. He could redirect those charges.
- 14 Q. And those charges that he was redirecting, the persons that he
- 15 was redirecting the charges to, did he say whether those people were
- 16 quilty or innocent?
- 17 A. Yes. He said that those were the people who were really
- 18 responsible.
- 19 Q. Did he ever ask you for anything in exchange for doing that?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 Q. What did he ask you for?
- 22 A. \$30,000.
- 23 Q. Did you ultimately pay him anything?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. What did you pay him?

- 1 A. \$5,000.
- 2 Q. What did you think would happen if you didn't pay him that
- 3 money?
- 4 A. I would have been guilty of all of those charges and more than
- 5 likely, the process of extradition would have been initiated against
- 6 me.
- 7 Q. What about your family?
- 8 A. My family also would have been persecuted and they probably
- 9 would have suffered the same thing that my mother did lately.
- 10 Q. You said you met with the Defendant on about three different
- 11 occasions?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 Q. Did you meet with the Defendant in person on August 5th of
- 14 2013?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. Where did you meet him?
- 17 A. In a Restaurant Tropical.
- 18 Q. Who was there at that meeting?
- 19 A. Carlos Alberto Guillen, Ignacio Alvarez, the Colonel, and
- 20 myself.
- 21 Q. How did you actually physically get to that restaurant?
- 22 A. In my car.
- 23 Q. And about what time did you arrive at the restaurant?
- 24 A. Quarter to 4:00.
- 25 Q. When you got there was there anyone else there that you knew?

- 1 A. No.
- 2 Q. Who did you see arrive?
- 3 A. The Colonel.
- 4 O. Who did he come with?
- 5 A. With Carlos Alberto Guillen.
- 6 Q. And you said an attorney was there as well?
- 7 A. Yes. The attorney who works in the law firm that represents me 8 here.
- 9 Q. Why was he there?
- 10 A. Because he was coming to extort me and I wanted to be protected
- 11 somehow.
- 12 Q. How did the meeting begin?
- 13 A. He mentioned that he had known me for some time at a meeting
- 14 that he had held with me in my office.
- I don't really remember, but it's possibly quite true because I
- 16 met with a lot of people and that he was the head of the
- 17 Anti-Corruption Unit.
- 18 Q. Let me stop you there.
- 19 You said that you the Defendant had told you that he met you
- 20 before?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Did you remember that meeting?
- 23 A. I remember there had been a meeting with the people that worked
- 24 at the airport, but I don't specifically recall him.
- 25 Q. What did he say about that meeting?

- 1 A. That I had rewarded him during that meeting for having
- 2 discovered a drug shipment that was being loaded onto one of the
- 3 aircraft belonging to my company. And that as a reward for having
- 4 done that good job, that good deed, that I had given him airline
- 5 tickets to him and to his family to whatever destination they wished
- 6 and this was done in a very public form.
- 7 O. You said that the Defendant told you what he did for a living?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. What did he say his title was?
- 10 A. That he was a national head or chief of the Anti-Corruption
- 11 Unit and that he was also the head or he was in charge of the
- 12 investigations of all the cases that I was named in.
- 13 Q. Did you have any reason to doubt him when he said that?
- 14 A. No.
- 15 Q. Did the Defendant tell you where he had been immediately prior
- 16 to that meeting on August 5th?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Where did he say he had been?
- 19 A. He said he had come from Washington, from the FBI.
- 20 Q. Did you have any reason to doubt him when he said that?
- 21 A. No.
- 22 Q. Now, you said that he, the Defendant, told you he was in charge
- 23 of your cases or investigating your cases?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. What, if anything, did he say he could do for you?

- 1 A. He could redirect those investigations towards another person.
- 2 Q. Did he say anything about whether or not he believed you to be
- 3 guilty or innocent of those charges?
- 4 A. He told me that he knew I was innocent and he also told me it
- 5 was very unfair what was being done with me.
- 6 Q. Did he ask you for anything in exchange for him redirecting the
- 7 investigations towards the guilty parties?
- 8 A. During that meeting, no.
- 9 Q. How did that meeting end between you and the Defendant?
- 10 A. He told me that he wanted to call me later, that I should
- 11 provide him with my phone numbers, and that he had to leave because
- 12 he was traveling back to Bolivia.
- 13 Q. Did you give him your phone number?
- 14 A. Yes.
- 15 Q. Now, you just told me a second ago that you thought this man
- 16 was coming to extort you and that's why you had a lawyer there.
- 17 Why did you give him your telephone number?
- 18 A. Because I was afraid that if I didn't give him my phone number
- 19 that he might take some actions, some type of reprisals against my
- 20 family.
- 21 Q. Okay. Now, at the beginning of your testimony you told us that
- 22 you actually talked to the Defendant over the phone.
- 23 After this meeting, on August 5th, did you talk to the
- 24 Defendant?
- 25 A. By telephone, yes.

- 1 Q. Who called who?
- 2 A. He called me.
- 3 Q. Did you answer the call?
- 4 A. Yes.
- 5 Q. Did you know who was calling you when your phone began to ring?
- 6 A. No.
- 7 Q. What day are we talking about here, ballpark?
- 8 A. About three or four days after he left.
- 9 Q. You answered the phone. What did the Defendant tell you on the 10 phone?
- 11 A. That as he had mentioned in the prior meeting that everything
- 12 was being taken care of and that he needed \$5,000 to do some things.
- 13 Q. What did you think when he asked you for \$5,000?
- 14 A. Well, I felt that if I didn't give him the \$5,000 my family,
- 15 more than I, would suffer more than I.
- 16 Q. Did you contact anyone after talking to the Defendant?
- Well, let me stop there and rewind.
- 18 What did you say in response to the Defendant when he asked you
- 19 for \$5,000?
- 20 A. That he should call me again to see how I could get the \$5,000
- 21 to him.
- 22 Q. Why did you say that to him?
- 23 A. Fear.
- 24 Q. Did you end up talking to anybody after that call? Did you
- 25 call anyone up?

- 1 A. My attorney.
- 2 Q. Why?
- 3 A. Because he had not asked for money previously. We thought that
- 4 he would never show up or say anything again.
- 5 Q. I want to shift gears here for a minute.
- 6 Has any Government official ever asked you for money before?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. How many times?
- 9 A. Twice.
- 10 Q. What did they ask for that money for?
- 11 A. So as to not file criminal charges against me.
- 12 Q. And was that in Bolivia that this happened?
- 13 A. Many times.
- 14 Q. Did you pay?
- 15 A. Once completely or wholly. The other time, no.
- 16 Q. What happened after you paid those government officials in
- 17 Bolivia?
- 18 A. When I paid everything, nothing happened. When I didn't pay, I
- 19 ended up in jail.
- 20 Q. I want to now turn your attention.
- 21 You said that you talked to the Defendant on the telephone. I
- 22 want to turn your attention to the second time you talked to him.
- 23 How did that call come about?
- 24 A. I was attempting not to answer any more phone calls coming from
- 25 Bolivia and a phone call came in from a telephone number that I

- 1 didn't know where it was coming from. And without really looking at
- 2 it, I answered.
- 3 Q. Who was it on the line?
- 4 A. The Colonel.
- 5 Q. What did he say?
- 6 A. That he had been calling for a while and he had not been able
- 7 to get through and what was the status of his request.
- 8 Q. What did you tell him?
- 9 A. That I could no longer speak with him and I was not able to
- 10 send him a penny. And that if he wanted to talk to me, he could not
- 11 talk to me directly or through any other person. He asked me for
- 12 the airline tickets and I told him that, no, I could not give it to
- 13 him and that he should talk to Carlos Alberto Guillen.
- 14 Q. Why did you tell him he should talk to Carlos Alberto Guillen?
- 15 A. Through fear and I didn't want any reprisals and I didn't want
- 16 to give him a flat out no.
- 17 Q. About what time of year -- and I'm talking about date -- did
- 18 this second call occur, what month?
- 19 A. August, from mid-August thereabouts.
- 20 Q. After that second call, did there come a time when you knew the
- 21 Defendant was coming to the United States?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. When you learned that the Defendant was coming to the United
- 24 States what did you do?
- 25 A. I called my attorney to tell him that in spite of everything,

- 1 he was coming and that he should notify the police.
- 2 Q. Why did you call your attorney when you learned that the
- 3 Defendant was coming back?
- 4 A. Because I didn't know how to do that directly with the police
- 5 and because he was coming to ask me for the money.
- 6 Q. Did you ultimately meet with any law enforcement?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 Q. What law enforcement agency did you meet with?
- 9 A. With the FBI.
- 10 Q. Approximately on what date did you meet with the FBI?
- 11 A. On the 30th of August.
- 12 Q. What did you tell -- let me rewind -- where did you meet with
- 13 the FBI?
- 14 A. At the Miami Lakes McDonalds.
- 15 Q. How many agents of the FBI were there?
- 16 A. First one and then a lot.
- 17 Q. But at the time when you first got to the McDonalds how many
- 18 agents were there?
- 19 A. One.
- 20 Q. What did you tell the FBI agent?
- 21 A. What was going on and what was going to happen.
- 22 Q. Did you tell the FBI that you were going to be meeting with the
- 23 Defendant?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. Did the FBI ask you to record those meetings?

- 1 A. They recorded it.
- 2 Q. Did they ask you if it was okay to record those meetings?
- 3 A. Yes, yes.
- 4 Q. I want to talk to you now about those meetings. What was the
- 5 date of the first meeting?
- 6 A. August 30th, 2013.
- 7 Q. The meeting on August 30th, where was it to be held?
- 8 A. At my house.
- 9 Q. And did you ultimately meet with the Defendant on August 30th
- 10 at your house?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. Did the FBI prepare you for that meeting?
- 13 A. Yes.
- 14 Q. Tell us how they prepared you for that meeting.
- 15 A. They came to my house. They looked at everything and they
- 16 placed the recording devices. They told me to stay calm. And that
- 17 if anything happened that I should say one particular word and for
- 18 me to go on with the meeting.
- 19 Q. You talked about recording devices. Were these audio recording
- 20 devices?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. Where were those recording devices located?
- 23 A. One of them was placed in one of my pockets. I don't remember
- 24 which one and the other one they placed -- I don't know -- in some
- 25 location at the place. I don't know.

- 1 Q. In what room were you going to meet the Defendant?
- 2 A. In the garage which we converted into a game room.
- 3 Q. Was the other recording device that you mentioned somewhere in
- 4 that game room?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. When you met with the Defendant on August 30th, were FBI agents
- 7 actually in your house?
- 8 A. Yes.
- 9 Q. Did the Defendant ultimately arrive at your house on August
- 10 30th?
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. What time did he arrive?
- 13 A. 1:30, 2:00.
- 14 Q. When you met the Defendant at your house did you tell them that
- 15 there were FBI agents in your house?
- 16 A. No.
- 17 Q. Did you tell him that you were going to be recording the
- 18 meetings with him?
- 19 A. No.
- 20 Q. And I know we talked about audio recording devices, but were
- 21 there any video recording devices as well?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 O. Where was that device?
- 24 A. On top of the game console.
- 25 Q. Was that an FBI device or something that you owned already?

- 1 A. It was part of the games for the children.
- 2 O. Was it like a web camera?
- 3 A. Yes, exactly.
- 4 Q. And now, I want to turn your attention to the actual
- 5 conversation that you had with the Defendant on August 30th.
- 6 How long was the conversation in length?
- 7 A. Somewhere between an hour and-a-half and two hours.
- 8 Q. What did the Defendant tell you during that conversation about
- 9 his job title?
- 10 A. He told me that he was the national head of the Anti-Corruption
- 11 Unit of the Government -- of the Florid National Government of
- 12 Bolivia.
- 13 Q. Did he mention your cases?
- 14 A. Yes. He spoke to me about three cases.
- 15 Q. What were the names of the cases?
- 16 A. One of them is Suxo and that has to do with illegal enrichment,
- 17 ATT and that also has to do with illegal enrichment, and the other
- 18 one has to do with the income tax.
- 19 Q. Who did the Defendant tell you was in charge of your cases?
- 20 A. That he was. Only him.
- 21 Q. What did he say that he could do for you with respect to your
- 22 cases?
- 23 A. To refocus that investigation towards those who were totally
- 24 responsible.
- 25 Q. Incidentally, did he tell you whether he believed you to be

- 1 guilty or innocent of the charges?
- 2 A. He told me that he knew I was innocent.
- 3 Q. What did he ask you for?
- 4 A. \$30,000.
- 5 Q. Did he discuss a case dealing with the Chinese barges at all?
- 6 A. Yes. He provided that as an example.
- 7 Q. What did he say about the defendants in the Chinese barges
- 8 case?
- 9 A. That those individuals who were responsible were out at large
- 10 and that those who were innocent were actually in jail.
- 11 MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, I have in my hand what has been
- 12 marked for identification as Government's Exhibit 9.
- May I approach the witness?
- 14 THE COURT: Sure.
- 15 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 16 Q. Mr. Roca, do you recognize that?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. What is it?
- 19 A. This is the recording of the two meetings that I held with the
- 20 Colonel at my home.
- 21 Q. How are you able to recognize that CD as the two meetings that
- 22 you had with the Defendant?
- 23 A. It bears my initials.
- 24 Q. Does that video recording fairly and accurately depict the
- 25 meetings that you had with the Defendant, the two meetings?

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 MR. BYRNE: Your Honor, I also have in my hand what has
- 3 been marked for identification as Government's Exhibits 7 and 8. I
- 4 believe we have an agreement stipulating to these exhibits,
- 5 Government's Exhibits 7 and 8, as accurate transcripts of the
- 6 meetings.
- 7 THE COURT: They will be received into evidence as Exhibits
- 8 7 and 8.
- 9 MR. BYRNE: I'm not now going to publish these transcripts
- 10 yet, but I would like to offer what has been marked for
- 11 identification as Government's Exhibit 9 into evidence.
- 12 THE COURT: Government's Exhibit 9 will be received into
- 13 evidence.
- MR. BYRNE: May I show it to the jury, Your Honor?
- 15 THE COURT: Yes, sir.
- 16 MR. BYRNE: Now, Your Honor, just for the record, I've
- 17 dragged the contents of the CD onto my desk-top for ease of
- 18 functioning for purposes of publishing to the jury. The CD will
- 19 sometimes stop and skip. It is the same content, but it has just
- 20 been moved onto my laptop.
- 21 THE COURT: All right. Sir, it is always good to leave a
- 22 jury waiting.
- It is not time to quit yet, but we have to set up the
- 24 equipment and you will have to wait until tomorrow morning to
- 25 accurately receive the tape.

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1 So we will be in recess at this time, ladies and gentlemen,
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- 2 until tomorrow morning at 9:00. When we meet again we will publish
- 3 these recordings for you.
- Also, remember, that tomorrow we are going to recess at
- 5 4:00 as opposed to 5:00. Also, please remember not to discuss the
- 6 case among yourselves, or with anyone else, or seek any external
- 7 information concerning anything about the case, or any of the
- 8 parties, or the witnesses involved.
- 9 I thank you for your attention and we will see you tomorrow
- 10 morning at 9:00 at which time we will publish the recordings.
- 11 (Jury exited.)
- 12 THE COURT: You can step down, Mr. Roca.
- 13 Is there any further business to come before the Court in
- 14 this case?
- MR. BYRNE: Not from the Government, Your Honor.
- 16 MS. DOAKES: Not from the Defense, Your Honor.
- 17 THE COURT: Okay. We will be in recess until tomorrow at
- 18 9:00 a.m.
- 19 (Thereupon, the proceedings adjourned for the evening.)
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## CERTIFICATE

I hereby certify that the foregoing transcript is an accurate transcript of the proceedings in the above-entitled matter.

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