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- 1 (Thereupon, the following proceedings were held:)
- THE COURT: Miss Doakes, good afternoon.
- 3 Please be seated.
- 4 Miss Doakes, are you ready?
- 5 MS. DOAKES: Yes, Your Honor.
- 6 THE COURT: Do you have your witness?
- 7 MS. DOAKES: Yes, Your Honor.
- 8 THE COURT: Bring in the jury, Madame Marshal.
- 9 (Jury entered.)
- 10 THE COURT: Members of the jury, good afternoon.
- Does the Government waive the polling of the jury?
- MR. BYRNE: It does, Your Honor.
- 13 THE COURT: Does the Defendant?
- MS. DOAKES: Yes, Your Honor.
- 15 THE COURT: Members of the jury, you have heard all the
- 16 evidence and testimony on behalf of the Government.
- 17 You will now proceed to consider whatever evidence or
- 18 testimony the Defendant wishes to offer.
- 19 And you may call your first witness, Miss Doakes.
- MS. DOAKES: Thank you, Your Honor.
- Your Honor, at this time, the Defense calls Nancy Ormachea.
- 22 (Witness sworn through interpreter.)
- 23 THE COURT: Be seated, please, and tell us your full name.
- 24 THE WITNESS: My name is Nancy Barrientos Castro. The
- 25 surname is B-A-R-R-I-E-N-T-O-S C-A-S-T-R-O.

## 1 NANCY ORMACHEA, DEFENSE WITNESS SWORN

## 2 DIRECT EXAMINATION

- 3 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 4 Q. Good afternoon, Mrs. Barrientos. How are you?
- 5 A. Good afternoon. I am well.
- 6 Q. Where do you live?
- 7 A. In La Paz, Bolivia.
- 8 Q. Are you married?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Who are you married to?
- 11 A. I am married to Mr. Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga.
- 12 Q. And how long have you been married to Mr. Ormachea Aliaga?
- 13 A. This year, 2014, we will have been married 18 years.
- 14 Q. Do you have any children?
- 15 A. Yes.
- 16 Q. How many children do you have?
- 17 A. I have two little girls.
- 18 Q. Now, Miss Barrientos, I would like to direct your attention to
- 19 January 1st of 2013. That would have been New Year's Day.
- 20 A. Perfect.
- 21 Q. Where was Mario?
- 22 A. He was with us. That is, he was with me and our daughters and
- 23 we were taking our end of the year vacation.
- 24 Q. And where is that?
- 25 A. We were in Santa Cruz.

- 1 Q. And how long were you there in Santa Cruz?
- 2 A. We were there for approximately maybe a week or a little longer
- 3 before we traveled.
- 4 Q. Where did you travel to?
- 5 A. We took -- made a trip to Miami.
- 6 Q. And why did you go to Miami?
- 7 A. We took the trip so that our daughter would go to the park.
- 8 Q. Are you talking about Disney World?
- 9 A. Precisely.
- 10 Q. And how long were you in the parks in Disney World?
- 11 A. Approximately until the end of January.
- 12 Q. And at the end of January, where did you go?
- 13 A. We went back to our country.
- 14 Q. And who is we?
- 15 A. My family.
- 16 O. Now, was Mario with you at that time?
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 Q. Now, at some point, now at the end of January, you had said
- 19 that you returned to La Paz. When you returned back to La Paz who
- 20 was with you?
- 21 A. Well, my family. That would be Nancy, Carolina, Daniella, and
- 22 Mari.
- 23 O. So you and Mario traveled home back together in La Paz?
- 24 THE INTERPRETER: Excuse me. Correction from the
- 25 interpreter: It was Nancy, Carolina, Daniella, and Mario -- Mario

- 1 Fabricio.
- 2 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 3 Q. Okay. Now, I want to direct your attention to July of 2013.
- 4 A. Okay.
- 5 Q. Now, Mario had to return to the United States, then, correct?
- 6 A. Pardon?
- 7 Q. In July of 2013, at some point, Mario returned to the United
- 8 States?
- 9 MR. BYRNE: Objection, Your Honor; leading.
- 10 THE COURT: Overruled.
- 11 THE WITNESS: Yes, yes.
- 12 BY MS. DOAKES:
- 13 Q. And why did he return to the United States?
- 14 A. He traveled to Washington, D.C. to take his father, who is an
- 15 elderly gentleman -- he is an 83-year-old man and he went along with
- 16 him.
- 17 Q. And how long did he stay in Washington, D.C.?
- 18 A. He stayed there for a very short while because he returned in
- 19 the first days of August.
- 20 Q. Returned where?
- 21 A. To La Paz, Bolivia.
- 22 Q. And at some point, did he travel back to the United States?
- 23 A. That is correct.
- 24 Q. And do you recall when?
- 25 A. Yes, he traveled on August 29th.

- 1 Q. And why did he do that?
- 2 A. He went to pick up his father.
- 3 Q. And when was he supposed to return back to La Paz?
- 4 A. The exact date of his return has been set for January 31st.
- 5 Forgive me; for August 31st with his father.
- 6 Q. Did he return on August 31st?
- 7 A. (Nodded.)
- 8 Q. Why not?
- 9 A. Unfortunately, he did not.
- 10 MS. DOAKES: Thank you, Miss Barrientos. I have no further
- 11 questions.
- 12 THE COURT: Cross examination.
- 13 CROSS EXAMINATION
- 14 BY MR. BYRNE:
- 15 Q. Good afternoon.
- 16 A. Good afternoon.
- 17 O. When Mr. Ormachea came to the United States on August 29th, you
- 18 said that he was coming to see his father?
- 19 A. To pick up a brother to take him -- excuse me -- on the 29th of
- 20 what month, did you say?
- 21 Q. Of August.
- 22 A. He did, in fact, come to pick up his father. His father was
- 23 returning from Washington.
- 24 Q. Did he say anything about meeting a man by the name of Humberto
- 25 Roca to you?

- 1 A. Not at all. Never, no, no.
- 2 Q. Did he say anything to you about coming here for two-weeks
- 3 vacation?
- 4 A. Vacation, no. He came to pick up his father who was coming
- 5 back from the United States, from Washington.
- 6 Q. And the times that you said he was in Washington, did he say
- 7 anything to you about meeting with the FBI in Washington?
- 8 A. Not at all, no, no.
- 9 MR. BYRNE: No further questions, Your Honor.
- 10 THE COURT: All right. Thank you, ma'am. You may step
- 11 down.
- 12 THE WITNESS: Thank you very much.
- 13 THE COURT: Miss Doakes, what else do you have?
- 14 MS. DOAKES: Nothing further, Your Honor. The Defense
- 15 rests.
- 16 THE COURT: The Government will have no rebuttal, I assume?
- 17 MR. BYRNE: You are correct, Your Honor.
- 18 THE COURT: We will rest without rebuttal.
- 19 Members of the jury, you have heard all of the evidence and
- 20 the testimony in connection with this case. And what remains for
- 21 you to hear is the closing arguments of the lawyers and the Court's
- 22 instructions as to the law.
- 23 At this point in the trial the Court has to, again, confer
- 24 with the litigants outside of your presence. When we reconvene in
- 25 just a few moments, we will proceed with the closing arguments. And

- 1 then, we will give the case to you for your decision at the close of 2 all the evidence.
- 3 You may take the jury out, Madame Marshal.
- 4 Counsel will remain for motions at the close of all the 5 evidence.
- 6 (Jury exited.)
- 7 THE COURT: Be seated, please.
- We have a problem with one of the jurors. Juror Number 1,
- 9 Miss Popluder, has had a death in her family. Her sister-in-law
- 10 passed away while she has been here for jury duty. She has to leave
- 11 town in the morning to go to the funeral and she will not be back
- 12 until Friday.
- And I propose to excuse her because we will get this case
- 14 to them for their deliberations, but I don't know if it's going to
- 15 take five minutes or five days. So I am going to excuse her when we
- 16 come back and move Mr. Lakso, our first alternate, in that chair.
- 17 As you will recall, Miss Smith says she has to be in West
- 18 Palm Beach herself for medication, or something, tomorrow. So if we
- 19 don't have a verdict by 5:00, I am going to ask them to recess and
- 20 come back tomorrow at 9:00. And then, she said she will leave here
- 21 at 11:00 and be gone and come back and they can continue to
- 22 deliberate tomorrow afternoon.
- 23 If that is acceptable, we are ready to proceed in closing
- 24 argument. Who is going to be opening for the United States?
- MR. BYRNE: Mr. Juenger will be.

- 1 THE COURT: Mr. Juenger. All right. And who is going to
- 2 close for the United States?
- 3 MR. BYRNE: I will, Your Honor.
- 4 THE COURT: Mr. Byrne, remember you have 45 minutes for
- 5 each side. And you can bring in the jury and I am going to excuse
- 6 Miss Popluder.
- 7 MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, the Defense would renew its Rule
- 8 29 request.
- 9 THE COURT: Oh, I am sorry. Yes, ma'am.
- Go ahead.
- MR. BYRNE: One question.
- 12 We have a question about getting a copy of the jury
- 13 instruction because there was that one change.
- 14 THE COURT: Go ahead, Miss Doakes. I interrupted you.
- MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, at this time, the Defense would
- 16 renew its Rule 29 request for Motion For Judgment of Acquittal.
- 17 THE COURT: The Defense Rule 29 motion, made at the
- 18 conclusion of all the evidence on behalf of the Defendant, will be
- 19 denied.
- 20 Let the record reflect that the Court is furnishing counsel
- 21 for both the prosecution and the defense copies of the Court's
- 22 proposed instructions, which were the subject of the charge
- 23 conference yesterday. And further, two copies for the court
- 24 interpreters and one copy for the court reporter.
- MS. DOAKES: Is that with the change?

- 1 MR. BYRNE: Yes.
- 2 THE COURT: Okay. Bring in the jury.
- 3 (Jury entered.)
- 4 THE COURT: Miss Popluder, I have been made aware of the
- 5 fact that you have had a death in your family and you are going to
- 6 be leaving tomorrow morning and there is no way to predict how long
- 7 deliberations will last.
- I am going to excuse you at this time so that you won't
- 9 have that on your mind. And I thank you for attending court this
- 10 week and serving as one of our prospective jurors in this case. You
- 11 are excused at this time with the thanks of the Court and you are
- 12 free to go and have a safe journey.
- Mr. Lakso, that means that you are now promoted to the
- 14 number one chair.
- Now, members of the jury, as I said, you have heard all the
- 16 evidence and testimony in connection with this case. And what
- 17 remains for you to hear is the closing arguments of the lawyers and
- 18 the Court's instruction as to the law.
- 19 You will find that the order of argument is identical to
- 20 the order of proof. You will first hear from Mr. Juenger on behalf
- 21 of the Government. And Miss Doakes will, then, address you on
- 22 behalf of the Defense. And the Government, then, has the
- 23 opportunity to close the argument in rebuttal.
- At the conclusion of the arguments, the Court will instruct
- 25 you on the law that you will apply in reaching your verdict and,

- 1 then, ask for you to retire to consider that verdict.
- I remind you that what the lawyers say to you now is not
- 3 evidence in the case. The purpose of the closing arguments is to
- 4 permit the lawyers to argue to you the evidence and the testimony
- 5 upon which your verdict will be based. And also, to argue the
- 6 instructions of the law that the Court will give you in its charge.
- 7 So for that reason, although not evidentiary, it is
- 8 nevertheless an important part of the case because it permits each
- 9 party to highlight those portions of the evidence that they believe
- 10 most favored their particular position with regard to this
- 11 litigation.
- Having said that, Mr. Juenger, if you are ready you may
- 13 proceed with your argument.
- 14 MR. JUENGER: Yes, Your Honor. Thank you.
- 15 See, it does happen. I warned you.
- 16 May it please the Court, counsel, and members of the jury.
- 17 As Mr. Byrne told you in his opening statement, this is a
- 18 case about a man, the Defendant, Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga, who
- 19 used his significant power and influence to extort a man, named
- 20 Humberto Roca, out of money.
- 21 And so it is, when Mr. Byrne got up here and told you
- 22 that's what this case was about, it was just him talking. A lawyer
- 23 talking and telling you what he anticipated the evidence in this
- 24 case would show, but now we are at closing argument. And as the
- 25 Court already told you, you know the evidence in this case now.

- 1 So it is not just lawyers talking here. You know what the
- 2 facts of this case are because you have sat here and listened for
- 3 the last two and-a-half days.
- 4 Now, what I propose to do for my closing argument is to
- 5 kind of recap some of that evidence. This hasn't been a long case
- 6 and it's not like you will have forgotten the evidence, but I want
- 7 to try and organize it for you in a way, hopefully, to make it
- 8 easier for you to see that the Defendant in this case committed the
- 9 two crimes that he is charged with.
- 10 You may recall from the beginning, the Judge told you that
- 11 the Defendant is charged with two crimes in this case; one, we call
- 12 a Travel Act violation and the other one is called attempted
- 13 extortion.
- Now, once the lawyers are all done talking, the Judge will
- 15 give you your instructions and it will look something like this.
- 16 Fortunately, he gives the lawyers a copy to use during the closing
- 17 arguments. This packet has all the instructions and the Judge will
- 18 go over them all with you.
- And they are all very important, but I'm only going to talk
- 20 about two of those instructions. The instructions that we call the
- 21 offense instructions because they tell you what it is that the
- 22 Government has to prove beyond a reasonable doubt for you to be able
- 23 to find the Defendant quilty of both of those crimes that he's
- 24 charged with.
- So I'm going to give you a little peek at these. Actually,

- 1 before I do that, I want to point out something that's important.
- 2 These instructions are all important. And in fact, there is an
- 3 instruction in here that tells you that you can't single out or
- 4 disregard any of the Court's instructions. You have to consider
- 5 them all as whole, but I'm focusing on these two particular ones
- 6 because it tells you what the Government has to prove because
- 7 they're all important. I don't want to mislead you.
- 8 If you look here on the screen, you will see this is the
- 9 Travel Act violation. Essentially, what the Travel Act says is, it
- 10 is against the law to travel from outside the United States to the
- 11 United States if what you intend to do is commit one of a number of
- 12 crimes and extortion is one of those crimes.
- If you travel from out of the country into the country with
- 14 the intent to commit extortion and you do any act to help further
- 15 that extortion, you have comitted a Travel Act violation.
- 16 And if you look here at the instructions, it tells you, the
- 17 Defendant can be found guilty of this crime if all of the following
- 18 facts are proved beyond a reasonable doubt. And there are three
- 19 facts right here that the Government has to prove. And I submit
- 20 that we have proven that in this trial and I will tell you why.
- 21 The first thing the Government has to prove is that the
- 22 Defendant traveled in foreign commerce on or about the dates between
- 23 the places described in the indictment.
- 24 Down here it explains a little bit what foreign commerce
- 25 means. It means, what you will expect, traveling, travel,

- 1 transportation, or movement between some place within the United
- 2 States and some place outside the United States. So the Government
- 3 has to prove that the Defendant traveled from outside of the country
- 4 into the country.
- 5 Clearly we have proven that several different ways. You
- 6 have his passport, for example. It has the passport stamp and it
- 7 shows he entered the United States on August 29th of 2013.
- 8 From the witness stand you heard the Customs and Border
- 9 Protections Officer who had an encounter with him as he came through
- 10 Customs. You saw the declaration form stamped on the 29th showing
- 11 that the Defendant entered from Bolivia, which is outside of the
- 12 country.
- 13 You heard from the LAN employee who introduced the travel
- 14 records from the airline, the manifest that showed that he traveled
- 15 into the United States.
- 16 Easily, the Government has proved beyond a reasonable doubt
- 17 that the Defendant traveled from outside of the United States into
- 18 the United States.
- 19 The second element that the Government has to prove is that
- 20 the Defendant traveled with the specific intent to promote, manage,
- 21 establish, or carry on an unlawful activity. So the intent for him
- 22 coming here was to carry on an unlawful activity. And if you turn
- 23 the page here, it tells you that unlawful activity includes the
- 24 crime of extortion.
- Okay. So what we're talking about is, did the Defendant

- 1 travel to the United States with the specific intent to commit
- 2 extortion? And again, I submit to you that the evidence in this
- 3 case clearly shows beyond any reasonable doubt that the Defendant
- 4 came here with the intent to commit extortion.
- Now, remember, when we were in voir dire or jury selection,
- 6 we talked a little bit about how you prove what someone's state of
- 7 mind is because we all agree that none of us are mind-readers, but
- 8 we do know, and we all agreed, that you can tell what somebody had
- 9 in their mind by the acts they commit, the things they say, and by
- 10 the context in which they say them. So let's talk a little bit
- 11 about that.
- 12 What is the context of the Defendant coming to the United
- 13 States?
- 14 Well, what do we know about him? We know that he's the
- 15 chief of the Anti-Corruption Division of the Bolivian National
- 16 Police Force. We know that he's in charge of the cases involving
- 17 Humberto Roca. We know he comes to the United States.
- 18 And interestingly, what did he do when he first got off of
- 19 the plane? You heard from Officer McMillon, the Customs and Border
- 20 Protections Agent, why did he say he was coming here? He said he
- 21 was coming here for a two-week vacation. You know that's not true.
- 22 You know that's not true and you know that he knew that was not true
- 23 because the ticket from LAN showed he bought the ticket before he
- 24 came here and he knew he was coming back on August 1st or August
- 25 31st. He was only here for three days. He lied.

- 1 Why does a man need to lie about that? Why didn't he just
- 2 say I am here to pick up my father and I'm going to be here for
- 3 three days? He lied because he didn't want anybody to ask any
- 4 questions about why he was really here, but consider the rest of the
- 5 context.
- 6 He comes here. He lies about why he's going to be here and
- 7 how long he's going to be here. And then, the very next day, where
- 8 is he meeting? The man, who is the head of the Anti-Corruption
- 9 Division of the Bolivian National Police Force is meeting in the
- 10 garage of the man who he is investigating. Talk about odd context.
- And what happens at that meeting? You go on from the
- 12 context. What happened at that meeting? Well, we know exactly what
- 13 happened at that meeting because it was recorded and you have copies
- 14 of this. This is admitted into evidence.
- And you will have a computer back there with you and you
- 16 can pop it in and play it and pause it and replay it and back it up.
- 17 You can look at this as much as you like, but what you saw here were
- 18 some of the best little clips from that.
- 19 We didn't make you listen to the whole foreign feature
- 20 film, but what did the Defendant say in those foreign clips? The
- 21 Defendant said a lot about who he was. He told Humberto Roca who he
- 22 was. He was in charge is what he told them. He was in charge of
- 23 all his cases. He's the top officer involved in those cases. He's
- 24 the head of the Anti-Corruption Division.
- 25 He's telling him all this and about all the power that he

- 1 has. He tells him that he writes the reports. He controls the
- 2 information. He even says something like, you know, there are those
- 3 who decide and those who do. I'm one of the ones who do. Nobody
- 4 knows as much about this investigation as him. He says prosecutors
- 5 come, judges come and go, but whenever there's a meeting, who's
- 6 there? Him.
- Why does he want Humberto Roca, the man he's investigating,
- 8 to know this? Because he wants to prove that he has the power over
- 9 Mr. Roca. No matter how wealthy Mr. Roca is, this guy calls the
- 10 shots. He has Mr. Roca's fate in the palm of his hands.
- And what else does he tell him at that meeting? Something
- 12 very frightening, actually. He tells Mr. Roca that he's innocent
- 13 two times. You're innocent. That's frightening because he's the
- 14 man who is investigating Mr. Roca. He's the one who gathers all the
- 15 evidence and who provides it to the prosecutors and the judge and he
- 16 says you're innocent.
- 17 Does that matter to him? No. He comes here to Miami to
- 18 have a meeting in Mr. Roca's garage to tell him, I'm in charge and
- 19 you're not guilty. It doesn't matter, but for \$30,000 I will change
- 20 the reports. He tells how he can do a 50-page report on this other
- 21 person, whose name I can't pronounce, Sanzetenea.
- He also tells Mr. Roca about the consulate and how he can
- 23 use the consulate as a trap. That word comes out of his mouth. The
- 24 consulate is a trap. You call people there and you misuse the FBI
- 25 because the FBI does not know what's going on -- this is what he

- 1 claims anyway -- and you bring people there and you trap them.
- 2 And all of this is something that Mr. Roca can avoid for
- 3 \$30,000. That is extortion, ladies and gentlemen. Extortion you
- 4 will see is defined in here as the wrongful use of actual use of
- 5 actual or threatened fear. This whole meeting was designed to put
- 6 Mr. Roca in fear.
- 7 Now, something that Miss Doakes said in her opening
- 8 statement. Look at the video. Look at the demeanor of the
- 9 individuals in the meeting. I think where that is headed is that
- 10 Mr. Roca doesn't look like he's afraid. He's not quaking in his
- 11 boots. They're laughing and getting along okay.
- But you know something about Mr. Roca that explains that?
- 13 Because you know that there are federal agents in the next room.
- 14 Mr. Roca has nothing to fear as he sits there in that room because
- 15 he knows people, like Agent Arias, are in the next room to protect
- 16 him.
- 17 This isn't about fear right there in his garage. This is
- 18 all about the fear of the future. Mr. Roca's future. You heard
- 19 what can happen. He can go to jail. He can lose all of his
- 20 property in Bolivia. His family members can get charged. He can
- 21 never return to his country. He stands to lose everything, but his
- 22 life is held in the hands of the Defendant unless he pays \$30,000.
- 23 And let's not forgot another thing that the Defendant said
- 24 when he's talking about how Mr. Roca is innocent. He gives some
- 25 examples of people who are in Bolivia. One that stands out is a

- 1 prosecutor; a prosecutor in Bolivia who is in jail and he says
- 2 there's no evidence. Evidence doesn't matter to the Defendant.
- 3 It's not about evidence. It's about money. You pay the \$30,000 and
- 4 you avoid problems. That's how you know that the Defendant's intent
- 5 was to come here and to extort Mr. Roca. That's what he did when he
- 6 got here was extort Mr. Roca. Therefore, you know that his intent
- 7 was just that.
- 8 And now, I want to point out something else because based
- 9 on the defense case, which was to have the Defendant's wife come
- 10 here and say no, no, no, he came here to pick up his father.
- 11 Well, he may have come here to pick up his father, but he also came
- 12 here to extort Mr. Roca and the instructions say something important
- 13 to you about this.
- 14 Here, at the bottom, it says the Government must prove that
- 15 the Defendant traveled in foreign commerce and specifically intended
- 16 to promote, manage, establish, or carry on an unlawful activity,
- 17 which is the extortion. But the Government does not have to prove
- 18 that the unlawful activity was the only or even the primary reason
- 19 the Defendant traveled.
- 20 So he can come here to pick up his father, but he also
- 21 intended to come here to extort Mr. Roca. That's how these first
- 22 two elements are established beyond any reasonable doubt. What else
- 23 happened in that garage in Miami Lakes, but extortion?
- 24 The last thing the Government has to prove is that while
- 25 traveling, the Defendant knowingly committed an act to promote,

- 1 manage, establish, or carry on an unlawful activity. What this
- 2 means is that it's not enough just to prove that he had the intent
- 3 in his mind. People can have thoughts in their minds and it's not a
- 4 crime until you do something, an act, to carry out that illegal
- 5 thought in his mind and he did plenty of acts here.
- 6 He went to Mr. Roca's house. He talked to Mr. Roca. He
- 7 explained how he had so much power. He made his little pitch about
- 8 how he could change everything for money. He took the money. You
- 9 saw him count out the money. He rented a car to get to the house.
- 10 He was going to go back to the airport.
- All of these were acts that were done to promote, or carry
- 12 on this extortion. We are not just punishing. We are not just
- 13 trying to find him guilty because of something in his mind. It's
- 14 because he actually took steps to truly extort him. That's the
- 15 first charge.
- 16 The second charge is the attempted extortion charge. And
- 17 that is set forth on a different page. It says the Defendant can be
- 18 found guilty of this crime only if all of the following facts are
- 19 proved beyond a reasonable doubt. And just like the other one,
- 20 there are three different facts that the Government has to prove.
- 21 They're all right here.
- 22 First, the Government has to prove that the Defendant
- 23 attempted to cause Mr. Roca to part with property. Again, it's on
- 24 video. He didn't just attempt. He attempted to get him to part
- 25 with \$30,000. That's what he attempted to do. He, actually, got

- 1 him to part with \$5,000 and you saw photographs of this and this is
- 2 hardly in dispute. He had \$5,000 in his pocket and it's the same
- 3 money that the agent photographed that Mr. Roca had. So clearly, he
- 4 got him to part with the money.
- 5 The second thing that the Government has to do is prove
- 6 that the Defendant did so knowingly by attempting to use extortion.
- 7 We've already talked about that in the last charge. Did he attempt
- 8 to get that money by extortion?
- 9 Well, what else did he attempt to get it by? He got it by
- 10 telling Mr. Roca I'm in charge. I hold all the cards. Nobody makes
- 11 any decisions. He even says not even the vice president or
- 12 president makes decisions because I have the information. I control
- 13 the information. I can divert the information whichever way I want.
- 14 There's nobody else that can do that. He's the one in charge.
- It only cost \$30,000; \$30,000 to get what he should get for
- 16 nothing, for free, because the Defendant tells him you're innocent.
- 17 Think about that. That is a frightening diabolical thing to do to
- 18 somebody. You're innocent. You're charged. You can go to jail.
- 19 You can be removed. You lose your property. Your family members
- 20 get wrapped up in all this. You're innocent and I don't care, but
- 21 for \$30,000.
- The last thing the Government has to prove is that the
- 23 attempted extortion transaction, if actually carried out, would have
- 24 delayed interrupted, or affected interstate commerce. Let me say
- 25 that again. The attempted extortion in the transaction, if actually

- 1 carried out would have delayed, interrupted, or affected interstate
  2 commerce.
- 3 Kind of sounds like a lawyer wrote that and it's further
- 4 defined for you. Interstate commerce is the flow of business
- 5 activities between one state and anywhere outside of the state.
- 6 And it says the Government does not have to prove that the
- 7 Defendant specifically intended to affect interstate commerce, but
- 8 it doesn't matter what he thinks about it, but the Government must
- 9 prove that the natural consequences of the acts described in the
- 10 indictment, the extortion, would affect interstate commerce.
- 11 This is the important part. If you decide that there would
- 12 be any affect on interstate commerce that is enough to satisfy this
- 13 element. The affect can be minimal.
- Now, I don't want to digress into a law school class here.
- 15 You didn't sign up for that, but I want to explain what this is all
- 16 about. Many of you, I'm sure know, there are essentially two
- 17 governmental systems in our country.
- 18 There's the national government, the United States
- 19 Government seated in Washington, D.C. and our congressmen go there
- 20 and create laws. And there's a whole court system for the United
- 21 States of America and you happen to be in one right here. This is
- 22 the United States District Court for the Southern District of
- 23 Florida.
- There also happens to be a state system of Government.
- 25 It's in Tallahassee, Florida. Every state has their own and in

- 1 Tallahassee they can create laws for the State of Florida. So there 2 are two systems.
- We are here in the federal court. And the thing is, in
- 4 federal court, in the U.S. Court, it is designed to handle matters
- 5 that affect issues between states and between the United States and
- 6 other countries and that's why this has to be in here.
- 7 There has to be some sort of affect between states or
- 8 between nations that makes it of interest to the United States of
- 9 America and to this Court. It is why we are in this court as
- 10 opposed to being in state court. State court, they handle things
- 11 that are only involved in the State of Florida and don't affect the
- 12 national interest or other states.
- So you have to find that the extortion that he was
- 14 committing would have, in some way, even a tiny way, had an affect
- 15 on interstate or foreign commerce. And I submit to you, ladies and
- 16 gentlemen, what do you know?
- 17 You know that he came here. The Defendant came here and
- 18 \$30,000 in U.S. is what he asked for. You know he got \$5,000 in
- 19 U.S. currency. And you saw at the very end of the video, what did
- 20 he say he was going to do? He's leaving. He's taking the money
- 21 back to a foreign country.
- Now, that is a minimal -- to be sure -- a minimal affect on
- 23 interstate or foreign commerce, but it is an affect and that's why
- 24 it is in this courthouse and why you need to consider it and you
- 25 need to find it beyond a reasonable doubt.

- 1 Do you have the time, Your Honor?
- THE COURT: You have 22 minutes.
- 3 MR. BYRNE: Ladies and gentlemen, I'm going to sit down
- 4 because I want to make sure that Mr. Byrne has an opportunity to
- 5 come back, but I submit, if you go through those elements, that's
- 6 what it is that the Government has to prove. Each one of those
- 7 three elements for each one of those crimes. It's right here on the
- 8 video. The video and the audio do not lie. It does not lie about
- 9 what happened inside that room.
- I submit to you that this evidence proves beyond any
- 11 reasonable doubt that the Defendant committed both of those crimes
- 12 as charged.
- 13 Thank you.
- 14 THE COURT: Thank you, Mr. Juenger.
- Miss Doakes, you may proceed.
- MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, may I just -- I need to set up my
- 17 iPad. I need some help with that.
- 18 Members of the jury, during my opening I told you that this
- 19 was a case about money in exchange for influence in Bolivia and not
- 20 the United States.
- 21 I told you that the Government would not be able to prove
- 22 any extortion. They wouldn't be able to prove any corruption and I
- 23 was right. They have failed to prove to you, beyond a reasonable
- 24 doubt, that Mr. Ormachea committed any of the crimes charged in the
- 25 indictment.

- I told you, I asked you the question in opening, then why
- 2 are we here? Well, we're here because of a wealthy corrupt
- 3 businessman who came in here and wanted to use this platform in
- 4 order to get back at the Bolivian Government.
- 5 And the prosecution, how they tried to establish its case,
- 6 they put on a video with subtitles that went by really fast. And
- 7 they tried and they used Mr. Roca to explain what happened, rather
- 8 than giving you the whole picture.
- 9 You all have a transcript. There's a transcript that was
- 10 prepared in this case. And when you all go back, I'm going to ask
- 11 you to carefully go through that transcript. I'm going to go
- 12 through parts of that transcript right now with you. And I'm going
- 13 to show you that this case is about money in exchange for influence
- 14 in Bolivia and not the United States. The Government has failed to
- 15 prove its case beyond a reasonable doubt.
- 16 Now, first, what is the definition of reasonable doubt?
- 17 Proof beyond a reasonable doubt is proof so convincing that you are
- 18 willing to rely and act on it without hesitation in the most
- 19 important of your affairs. So in essence, what that means is proof
- 20 beyond a reasonable doubt. It's not a gut feeling. It's not a
- 21 maybe and it's not an I think. It's beyond a reasonable doubt.
- Now, there are two counts that are charged in the
- 23 indictment. There's the Travel count and there's the count
- 24 involving the Hobbs Act count. Both counts involve the crime of
- 25 extortion. Extortion means obtaining property from a person who

- 1 consents to give it up because of the wrongful use of actual or
- 2 threatened force, violence, or fear.
- Now, the issue in this case is whether or not Mr. Roca
- 4 voluntarily gave up his property, which was the money, the \$5,000
- 5 because he feared. So what is the definition of fear? The
- 6 definition of fear is a state of anxious concern, alarm, or
- 7 anticipation of harm. It includes the fear of financial loss, as
- 8 well as the fear of physical violence.
- 9 Now, obviously, there was no evidence here presented that
- 10 showed any kind of fear of physical violence. So the issue is going
- 11 to be whether or not there was any fear of any other actions, which
- 12 Mr. Roca stated there were acts of reprisals against his family.
- So let's walk through the transcript and as we're walking
- 14 through the transcript, I'm going to show you how this was money in
- 15 exchange for influence in Bolivia and not in the United States.
- 16 When we start on Page 5 of the transcript, you have Mr. Roca that
- 17 says, well, tell me what are we going to do? Tell me.
- 18 Now 'we' means we're working together. What are we going
- 19 to do? And he says because what I want to know, Colonel, is that
- 20 you tell me exactly everything because I don't want it later to be
- 21 that this one or that other one. He's in control here. I'm looking
- 22 at Page 5 on August 30th of the transcript.
- Now, we know that and the evidence showed that Mr. Ormachea
- 24 was the head of the Anti-Corruption Unit there in Bolivia. And Mr.
- 25 Roca is asking Mr. Ormachea, well, what are we going to do? He

- 1 means, what are we going to do in our case. How are you going to be 2 of benefit to me?
- Page 6 of the transcript says and Mr. Ormachea tells him
- 4 how he's going to be able to be of benefit to him. He's telling him
- 5 how he is going to be able to help him. He says this is what we are
- 6 doing in regard to your situation in regard to Humberto Roca. And
- 7 he starts to talk about what they're doing with respect to the ATT
- 8 case.
- 9 And he goes on, on Page 8 of the transcript, and he starts
- 10 explaining to Mr. Roca, this is who I am. I'm the chief of the
- 11 Anti-Corruption Division. And he talks about it and tells him that
- 12 he's involved in the investigation of one of the cases, the criminal
- 13 cases that Mr. Roca is charged with, the illegal enrichment case.
- 14 And that's the case, if you recall, he was talking about the Nardi
- 15 Suxo case.
- And basically, why this is a benefit to Mr. Roca is because
- 17 Mr. Ormachea, by being involved in this case, he is in a position
- 18 where he could let Mr. Roca know what's going on in the prosecution.
- 19 That's a benefit to Mr. Roca; Page 10.
- 20 And then, Mr. Roca starts talking about Alvaro Garcia.
- 21 He's asking Mr. Ormachea to give him information about the
- 22 president. And why? Because why would Mr. Roca want information
- 23 about the vice president of Bolivia? Because that would be of
- 24 benefit to him. That would be a benefit to his federal case that he
- 25 has pending currently against the Government of Bolivia.

- 1 Then, Mr. Ormachea goes on to say so in regard to your
- 2 thing, I'm ready and willing to help you. And he says -- and this
- 3 is how I'm ready, willing to help you. What I want to do is, we
- 4 should not deviate, but instead concentrate on the investigation.
- 5 And he talks about how there are so many parts of the investigation.
- 6 Page 11 goes on to say, listen, I'm being entirely honest.
- 7 We do not have all the resources in the world. We are not the FBI.
- 8 So Mr. Ormachea is telling Mr. Roca, we are not in a position to be
- 9 able to just start to travel, to take statements, and make
- 10 appointments. He's kind of letting him know that here and that they
- 11 are not in the position to get up and start taking statements.
- 12 So here he is letting Mr. Roca know this is where we are in
- 13 the investigation. And he goes on and he says how will this be of
- 14 use to you? And he says it will be of use to you because we know
- 15 right now that you're concentrating your defense strategy just on to
- 16 say how you've left for political reasons, but I believe you should
- 17 focus it on this other aspect of it.
- 18 Page 13 where he says I'm going to explain it to you as if
- 19 Jorge Valda was here, if he has not done so already. This shows he
- 20 has no intent. Again, showing that he's trying to help Mr. Roca.
- 21 And then, look at the bottom, he says, I told you. And Mr.
- 22 Roca says I don't want anything at all from you. That is what I
- 23 told him.
- 24 Well, at the end of the transcript, it says and do you know
- 25 what -- Mr. Ormachea says, you know what, I will tell you with my

- 1 hand on my heart in the name of God, I'm not lying to you. I am
- 2 certain of your innocence. This is showing that Mr. Ormachea has no
- 3 intent to extort.
- 4 Then, on Page 15 of the transcript, here again, a benefit.
- 5 Mr. Ormachea is providing Mr. Roca. He's feeding him information
- 6 about the investigation of his case.
- 7 Page 17 of the transcript, Mr. Roca says, does Evo know or
- 8 not know? And Evo is the President of Bolivia. He's trying to get
- 9 him here to talk about whether he knows anything. If there is
- 10 anything here, trying to find out whether or not there is anything
- 11 that Mr. Morales is doing illegal. He's trying to find out whether
- 12 or not, Mr. Quintana, another official in Bolivia is involved in any
- 13 drug trafficking related activities.
- 14 Again, this is a benefit to Mr. Roca. It's a benefit to
- 15 Mr. Roca, because Mr. Roca wants to embarrass the Bolivian
- 16 Government. And what better way to get information from someone who
- 17 is high-ranking in the Bolivian Government.
- 18 Page 18, Mr. Roca says, well, let's get back to our thing.
- 19 Again showing that they're working together.
- 20 At the bottom of Page 18, Mr. Ormachea talks about, I
- 21 already know them. I'm telling you this is the know-how I have.
- 22 Again, Mr. Ormachea is explaining to Mr. Roca this is the
- 23 information that I have, any expertise that I have.
- 24 And here, if you recall, Mr. Byrne asked Mr. Roca about
- 25 these Chinese barges. And Mr. Ormachea, here, he is giving an

- 1 example of what happened here. He's giving an example of someone
- 2 who he tried to help before and what happened when he presented it
- 3 to higher officials involved in the Bolivian Government. And he's
- 4 giving an example of what happened to him as a result of doing that
- 5 because he's working on that person's side this is what happened.
- And then, on Page 20, I'll say this is the first time where
- 7 it says, let's suppose that you are able to divert the attention
- 8 focused on me and you focus it on the true guilty parties. Well,
- 9 you heard Mr. Roca. He testified that Mr. Ormachea said that.
- Here, on Page 20, where it says let's suppose that you're
- 11 able to divert the attention focused on me and focus it on the true
- 12 guilty parties. This is Mr. Roca mentioning this to Mr. Ormachea.
- 13 He's in control here. He's saying this is what you need to do.
- And then, he goes on to say, I see, and Alvaro comes to you
- 15 and says no. It's Humberto Roca that asks what are you going to do?
- 16 And he tells him again, listen, I'm the one in control of all of
- 17 this.
- 18 And at the bottom of that page, on Page 20, here Mr.
- 19 Ormachea is explaining to Mr. Roca, again, when he's talking about
- 20 how he can help him and why he believes that he is innocent. And
- 21 he's telling him there are some problems with the dates that were
- 22 imposed by the tax ministry, which you shouldn't have been included
- 23 in. This is an example of why I believe you are innocent. Here
- 24 he's helping Mr. Roca with his defense on the Bolivian charges.
- 25 That's no intent to extort.

- 1 Then, on Page 22, Mr. Roca goes back and says, all right,
- 2 let's continue with our thing of how to do this. Again, our thing.
- 3 This is the two -- this is an exchange for a benefit. Let's
- 4 continue on with our thing.
- 5 And Mr. Roca says, all right, you will divert the
- 6 information. So I mean, what do I do? And Mr. Ormachea says to
- 7 him, you just wait for the results. You don't have anything to do
- 8 because you're in good hands.
- 9 And then, this is the first time -- as you can see in the
- 10 next line where he says, all right, but what I don't want is for
- 11 there to be about the topics with anyone. And the topics, I submit
- 12 to you, he is referring to the money. And this is the first time
- 13 when money comes up. So who brings it up? It's Mr. Roca and not
- 14 Mr. Ormachea that brings up the idea about money.
- And then, he goes on to say, don't forgot that. For me it
- 16 is hard for me to move things. Again, this is him talking about the
- 17 money where he brings it up for the very first time during that
- 18 meeting.
- On Page 24, at the very top Mr. Ormachea says, if you think
- 20 that I, in my inner core, in my conscious, in my heart, if I thought
- 21 you were guilty I would not be talking to you. Again, this is
- 22 showing that he had no intent to extort.
- 23 And then, he says to him, he's asking him, you know, for
- 24 all of this, you know, I'm not trying to take the -- the next
- 25 sentence Mr. Ormachea says, right, for all of this, I mean, until

- 1 the end of what the investigative phase is because there's a place.
- 2 I can't be a con artist and tell you and we go this far and nobody
- 3 knows anything. Again, here, he's not trying to take his money from
- 4 him. There's no demand here. There's no you give me \$30,000 or
- 5 else. I'm not trying to take any money from you. There is no
- 6 intent. There is no intent to extort.
- 7 And then, he goes on to say at the very bottom, do you
- 8 think something like 30 would be all right? He's asking Mr. Roca,
- 9 do you think something like 30 would be all right? I mean, is that
- 10 someone who has an intent to extort? There is no demand here. Do
- 11 you think something like 30 would be all right?
- 12 And then, Page 25, and this is when Mr. Roca, then, that
- 13 says, oh, all right, \$30,000. Well, how am I going to give it to
- 14 you? If this isn't extortion -- if Mr. Ormachea intended to extort,
- 15 he would want this money right now.
- 16 So he says on Page 27, Mr. Roca is saying, well, how much
- 17 do you want by tomorrow? And there's this discussion from Mr. Roca
- 18 explaining that he's not able to get the ten. And so Mr. Roca says
- 19 I'm able to get ten for you now.
- 20 And then, they start talking about, he then gets back to --
- 21 at the bottom of Page 27 -- he says what we're going to do is to
- 22 divert the attention, the attention towards those who are truly
- 23 responsible. Here we have Mr. Roca telling Mr. Ormachea to divert
- 24 the attention to those who are truly responsible.
- Page 31, here, again, Mr. Ormachea is talking about the

- 1 access to information that he has. And Mr. Roca is saying, do you
- 2 have any evidence on Kintada (phonetic), this individual named
- 3 Kintada. He says do you have it? It's a benefit. He's asking him
- 4 do you have any evidence on that?
- 5 And Mr. Ormachea says, do you have anything on Alvaro?
- 6 That's at the bottom. Alvaro is the vice president. And Mr.
- 7 Ormachea says, Alvaro, well, there are several things, right, but I
- 8 don't need evidence. I don't need so much. Again, Mr. Roca is
- 9 asking for a benefit in exchange for information.
- 10 Page 36, here the sixth line down, Mr. Roca says, there's
- 11 nothing in the Aerosur case; Colonel, there's nothing. And Mr.
- 12 Ormachea says, what are they going to do with what they owe you,
- 13 sir? He says, sir, as a sign of respect.
- And I say, we, because I'm here to help you. Don't forgot
- 15 you can also use me for that. We must collect. And when he's
- 16 talking about the 'we' must collect -- we must collect -- he's
- 17 referring to the tax issues with Aerosur.
- 18 So in sum, just from that August 30th meeting, when you go
- 19 back and you review that transcript, you will see that there's a
- 20 benefit being offered to Mr. Roca in exchange for influence in
- 21 Bolivia.
- 22 And the benefit is, well, the inside information that Mr.
- 23 Ormachea has concerning his case, the benefit is being able to let
- 24 him know and giving him inside information from the prosecution
- 25 letting him know what's going on with the investigation. That's the

- 1 benefit that he's receiving.
- 2 And at the end of that August 30th meeting, you see the two
- 3 men shaking hands. There's no fear here. Mr. Roca has his arm
- 4 around Mr. Ormachea's back. That doesn't show fear and that's
- 5 Government's Exhibit 5-D.
- Now, turning to the transcript of the August 31st meeting,
- 7 Mr. Byrne, if you recall, asked Mr. Roca what did the Defendant say
- 8 about future visits he had planned to the United States. And I am
- 9 referring to Mr. Roca's testimony.
- 10 And Mr. Roca said that he was going to come back in
- 11 November, in mid November, in order to conduct investigations. And
- 12 they were talking about investigations that were going to be
- 13 occurring in Washington and in Miami.
- 14 And then, Mr. Byrne asked, well, where specifically in
- 15 Washington? And Mr. Roca said he would get assistance from the FBI
- 16 to call a man by the name of Sanzetenea for him to go to the
- 17 consulate because the consulate is actually Bolivian territory.
- 18 And then, the question from Mr. Byrne, what did the
- 19 Defendant say about the FBI? He said that he talked about the
- 20 cooperation of the FBI. And what did the Defendant tell you about
- 21 the FBI's knowledge of what was going to be going on?
- And then, he goes on and he says, well, the FBI knew about
- 23 it and that it was, basically, just a trap. Well, that wasn't true.
- 24 That was taken out of context because if you look at Page 2 of the
- 25 August 31st transcript he says, I think the next time we're going to

- 1 come -- and I want to tell you this because it's important -- we are
- 2 going to come around November, in November, the second week of
- 3 November. Here, Mr. Ormachea is giving Mr. Roca the heads-up. He's
- 4 letting him know when the Bolivian National Police is coming back.
- 5 And when they come back, he's telling them they're going to
- 6 present a summons to the consulate in Washington. So he's giving
- 7 him heads-up coming to Washington for Guillermo, who Mr. Roca
- 8 testified was a former executive of Aerosur and for Patricia -- and
- 9 he's referring to Patricia Gutierrez -- who was also an executive in
- 10 Aerosur. So here, basically, Mr. Ormachea is giving Mr. Roca a
- 11 heads-up of what they're about to do. That's a benefit that Mr.
- 12 Roca is getting.
- Now, Mr. Byrne asked Mr. Roca yesterday something about,
- 14 did the Defendant say anything to you about bringing you to the
- 15 Bolivian Consulate? And Mr. Roca said, yes. And then, he said what
- 16 did he say that in the future I, too, could go to the Bolivian
- 17 Consulate to give a statement.
- 18 Now, if you look at Page 3 of the August 31st transcript,
- 19 you will see that that was not true. What the transcript actually
- 20 says is, in any case, you know what? It's a trap. I'm telling you.
- 21 What's the trap? The trap is to tell them because we're going to
- 22 have to cooperate with FBI's cooperation.
- 23 So he's not saying anything about that he would be taken to
- 24 the Bolivian consulate to give a statement. He's warning him that
- 25 this is going to be a trap. If this happens it's going to be a

- 1 trap. Again, he's providing him with inside information.
- Now, Page 5 of the transcript, here Mr. Roca gives Mr.
- 3 Ormachea a \$5,000 down-payment. There's no fear here. This is
- 4 control. This is just we have this partnership. I'm going to give
- 5 you \$5,000 and I'm going to send you the other part.
- 6 If he really had fear, if this was extortion, Mr. Ormachea
- 7 would have demanded the entire \$30,000 and not just taken a \$5,000
- 8 down-payment. If Mr. Roca was so afraid of Mr. Ormachea, if there
- 9 was fear of any kind of reprisals, he would have given him that
- 10 entire \$30,000.
- Page 6, it says, no, nobody has to know anything. That's
- 12 why I don't want to involve anybody else. Again, Mr. Roca is in
- 13 control. Again, he's saying, I don't want anybody to know anything.
- 14 That's on Page 7 of the August 31st transcript.
- And so, they're talking about -- Mr. Roca says -- when he's
- 16 talking about I'm going to give you \$5,000 right now and \$10,000 if
- 17 I am able to later. And if I can't -- Mr. Roca says -- I'm going to
- 18 send you a ticket. If I can't, I'll send you a ticket. And so,
- 19 then, you'll come back for the rest of the money.
- This is Mr. Roca who says he was afraid of reprisals if he
- 21 did not give any money. And he's volunteering, look, if I can't
- 22 come up with the other \$10,000, I'm just going to send you a ticket
- 23 and you'll come back for the rest of the money. He's confirming
- 24 exactly what he's going to do.
- 25 So this \$30,000 includes the detour in your report. And he

- 1 goes on to say, are you going to prepare your reports? Are you
- 2 going to detour your reports to shift all the information towards
- 3 the true culprits? He's seeking confirmation of what he's going to
- 4 be able to do here.
- 5 Page 11 of the August 31st transcript, Mr. Roca says, so
- 6 what happens if Sanzetenea comes through person X? And Mr. Ormachea
- 7 says, all right. And Mr. Roca says, and offers you more.
- 8 Offers you more? This is, again, showing that there's a
- 9 benefit that Mr. Roca is receiving and also showing that there is no
- 10 fear here. That there's no extortion here. Mr. Roca, when he says,
- 11 offers you more that it's inferring that he also recognizes that the
- 12 two have an agreement, a partnership.
- And then, on Page 12, Mr. Ormachea says, you know what?
- 14 Let me tell you another thing -- this is in response to Mr. Roca
- 15 saying what if Mr. Sanzetenea comes and offers you more -- Mr.
- 16 Ormachea says, you know what? Let me tell you another thing. This
- 17 is not because of the money. It's not because of money. It has to
- 18 do with doing the right thing. That's evidence of his intent not to
- 19 extort Mr. Roca. That is evidence of him providing a benefit in
- 20 exchange for influence in Bolivia. There is no extortion here. He
- 21 didn't intend to extort.
- 22 And then, he goes on to say, Mr. Roca, you're aware that
- 23 this Government uses and discards. Mr. Roca also says, you're aware
- 24 that you're at risk of being used and discarded as well. I mean,
- 25 does this sound like someone who is afraid? Does this seem like

- 1 fear on Mr. Roca's part?
- 2 Page 15 of the transcript, at the top, it talks about, but
- 3 I think it's bad in every sense having had a situation -- Mr. Roca
- 4 says -- like this one we have with you now in order to do things
- 5 correctly. This situation, this arrangement, this partnership. By
- 6 doing the right thing are you going to have problems here?
- Page 18 at the bottom, Mr. Roca says, well, you're going to
- 8 be responsible at the end of the investigation. Mr. Ormachea says,
- 9 yes, of all the evidence, in theory if God knows what will be
- 10 directed towards someone else and not towards me. So confirming
- 11 this is what I'm going to receive. This is Mr. Roca confirming from
- 12 Mr. Ormachea this is what I'm going to receive.
- Page 19, Mr. Roca says, I see, but what about the other
- 14 process, about the taxes? This is another case, a criminal case
- 15 that Mr. Roca has. And then, he goes on to say, the one regarding
- 16 terrorism or whatever it's called. I have that one as well. All
- 17 right.
- And Mr. Roca says, yes, but that's another agreement.
- 19 Another agreement, an agreement between the two parties. Mr. Roca
- 20 is getting a benefit, which is the inside information, and Mr.
- 21 Ormachea receiving the money in exchange for influence in Bolivia.
- Page 25, here Mr. Roca says, hey, look, look at the
- 23 paradox. I would like to be investigated thoroughly, but the
- 24 problem is in Bolivia all the judges know me. And Mr. Ormachea
- 25 says, what happens is that there are no guarantees, right? There

- 1 are no guarantees. And if there were some guarantees at any time
- 2 and let's say they would change the situation in any way, I would be
- 3 the first to tell you.
- 4 This is Mr. Ormachea saying to Mr. Roca, if I hear anything
- 5 about what's going on in your case, I will be the first one to tell
- 6 you. And I will be the first one to tell you, sir, we're going to
- 7 get your statement. Take the following documents and I'll see you
- 8 in the consulate in Miami. We're going to ask you some questions.
- 9 So when you go back and when you really look at this
- 10 evidence in its entirety and really look at the transcript, you will
- 11 see that this is two men benefitting. This is one man receiving
- 12 money and the other one receiving information for influence in
- 13 Bolivia and not here in the United States and that there was no
- 14 crime here. There was no extortion.
- Mr. Roca controlled how this was supposed to be. Mr. Roca
- 16 controlled the amount of the money to be given. Mr. Roca controlled
- 17 what information he wanted to receive and who would be involved.
- 18 Now, I want to talk a little bit about how they failed to prove fear
- 19 beyond a reasonable doubt.
- Well, certainly, there wasn't a fear of financial loss.
- 21 You heard Mr. Roca. You heard all the money, the millions of
- 22 dollars that had been wired in from foreign accounts to a business
- 23 account here in Miami to his own personal account. You heard about
- 24 all the properties that he has and all the money he has. That
- 25 certainly isn't fear of financial harm.

- 1 Then, he says, he feared reprisals if he didn't pay \$5,000
- 2 to Mr. Ormachea. Well, you saw Mr. Roca testify. You got to
- 3 observe his demeanor. Did he seem like a person who was in fear to
- 4 you? He was pretty matter of fact. And if he really feared his
- 5 family seeking reprisals, well, he has the financial means and he
- 6 could have gotten them out of Bolivia.
- 7 THE COURT: You have five minutes left.
- 8 MS. DOAKES: Thank you.
- 9 Now, I want to talk to you a little bit about the jury
- 10 instructions, similar acts. And basically, you had heard testimony
- 11 from Mr. Valda. Mr. Valda testified that Mr. Ormachea came to him
- 12 in March of 2013 and attempted to extort his other clients in
- 13 relation to Jindal Steel and that evidence is similar act evidence.
- 14 It is evidence of what the law says is evidence of a prior bad act.
- What I submit to you that the jury instructions say that
- 16 before you can consider that evidence of what occurred in March of
- 17 2013, you have to first find that Mr. Ormachea committed the two
- 18 acts charged in the indictment beyond a reasonable doubt.
- 19 So what it is, is that March of 2013 incident. It's like
- 20 the pink elephant in the living room. Even though it is sitting
- 21 there you cannot consider it, unless you actually determine beyond a
- 22 reasonable doubt that Mr. Ormachea committed both of the acts
- 23 charged in the indictment.
- Now, you did not hear from Mr. Ormachea in this case. He
- 25 did not testify. And at the time, in jury selection, when I asked

- 1 you all whether or not the fact that if he decided not to testify,
- 2 whether or not you would use that against him.
- 3 And each of you took an oath and each of you said you would
- 4 not do that because it is the Government who has the burden of proof
- 5 in this case. And they have to prove to you beyond a reasonable
- 6 doubt that Mr. Ormachea committed the acts charged in the
- 7 indictment.
- Now, some of you may not like what my client did here. I
- 9 mean, there's testimony that he was a high-ranking police official
- 10 in Bolivia and he flies here and he meets with Mr. Roca in his
- 11 living room.
- 12 And some of you may believe that's morally wrong because
- 13 he's in a position to protect and serve and in a position of
- 14 integrity. And that he would fly all the way to the United States
- 15 to meet with this man in his living room and take \$5,000 and goes
- 16 back and kind of gives him inside information about what's going on.
- 17 But you're not here to decide whether or not he did something
- 18 morally wrong.
- 19 You are here to decide whether or not the evidence that was
- 20 presented here before you proved this case beyond a reasonable doubt
- 21 of whether or not Mr. Ormachea committed extortion beyond a
- 22 reasonable doubt.
- 23 And I submit to you what the evidence shows was that Mr.
- 24 Ormachea received money in exchange for providing Mr. Roca with the
- 25 benefit and that was to give him the inside information of what was

- 1 going on in his cases and to give him sort of a heads-up as to when
- 2 the Bolivian National Police, if there were any other steps that
- 3 were going to be taken with respect to his extradition.
- 4 Now, I want to talk to you about the lies of Mr. Valda, the
- 5 attorney. Now, you heard that he said that in January of 2013, when
- 6 Mr. Roca refused to meet with Mr. Ormachea, he said that, you know,
- 7 well, his mother was arrested. Well, you heard from Mr. Roca. He
- 8 said that his mother was arrested after Mr. Ormachea was arrested in
- 9 this case.
- 10 And what Mr. Valda testified to about the mother being
- 11 arrested, right in January of 2013, that wasn't included in his
- 12 affidavit to the prosecutors. He said that he met with him at a
- 13 police station near the prosecutor's office near the courthouse, but
- 14 he didn't go to the prosecutor's office and report it. He didn't go
- 15 to any court official to report it. I mean, don't you think the
- 16 fact that he didn't do any of that? Because it didn't happen.
- 17 THE COURT: Your time is up, Miss Doakes.
- 18 MS. DOAKES: Mr. Ormachea is innocent and I ask that you
- 19 find him not guilty.
- 20 THE COURT: Before we get to the closing argument on behalf
- 21 of the Government, we will take our afternoon recess and we will be
- 22 in recess for 15 minutes. When we reconvene, we will hear from Mr.
- 23 Byrne's rebuttal on behalf of the Government.
- Take the jury out, Madame Marshal and we will be back in 15
- 25 minutes.

- 1 (Recess.)
- THE COURT: Bring in the jury, Madame Marshal.
- 3 (Jury entered.)
- 4 THE COURT: Mr. Byrne, if you are ready, you may proceed
- 5 with your closing summation.
- 6 MR. BYRNE: Thank you, Your Honor.
- 7 Ladies and gentlemen, Miss Doakes just told you that
- 8 context is important and she went through the parts of the
- 9 transcript that she wanted you to see. Context is very important,
- 10 ladies and gentlemen. It is very important and that is why we did
- 11 not only introduce videos with subtitles.
- 12 We, the Government, introduced these entire transcripts.
- 13 There are yellow stickers in the top right-hand corner of these
- 14 transcripts. Those are Government exhibits. We wanted you to see
- 15 the entire context of what happened because context is important.
- Now, Miss Doakes wants you to believe that Mr. Roca was in
- 17 Miami and he just called up Mr. Ormachea and said, hey, I would like
- 18 to get some inside information about my cases. Can you help me out?
- 19 What did the evidence in this case show? How did this all
- 20 begin, right? We know how this all began. Mr. Valda was in Bolivia
- 21 working on Mr. Roca's cases. And the Defendant said, step into my
- 22 office. I want to talk to you about a case. I want to talk to you
- 23 about Humberto Roca's case. I can help fix the situation for a
- 24 price; \$20,000 for each of his siblings.
- Now, Miss Doakes told you, how do we even know Mr. Valda is

- 1 even telling the truth about that? Well, it's right here on the
- 2 transcript. Miss Doakes didn't go over this part of the transcript
- 3 with you. I want to be completely clear with you.
- 4 First of all, I don't like these situations and I think
- 5 Jorge Valda told you that. Yes, yes, yes, he told you when you --
- 6 that's right. You told him \$20,000. I think that was the amount
- 7 and that you could fix my sister's situation. That's what you told
- 8 him, right? Yes, yes, yes.
- 9 That's how we started it, but we don't finish there, do we?
- 10 Because Mr. Roca tells the Defendant through Jorge Valda that he is
- 11 not interested.
- Jorge told me that you had spoken with him stating you
- 13 could do some things for me. But of course. And I told him, I
- 14 don't want anything at all. That's what I told him.
- But it didn't stop there, did it?
- 16 Because when Jorge Valda told that to the Defendant, the
- 17 Defendant did not stop. He called up Carlos Guillen. He called up
- 18 Mr. Roca, himself. And then, he came to the United States and that
- 19 is how he ended up in that garage. That is how this whole
- 20 conversation and that's the context of how this whole conversation
- 21 began. And not Mr. Roca calling up and saying, hey, I would like
- 22 some influence on my cases. No.
- 23 And we know that because that was confirmed on the
- 24 recordings. Context is important. Let me give you another example
- 25 of what context is important.

- 1 Now, Miss Doakes went over that part about the consulate
- 2 and the trap and you remember testimony about that. The Defendant
- 3 says this is how we get people to the consulate in the United
- 4 States. This is how we get them onto Bolivian soil. We send an FBI
- 5 agent and we send a police officer. They don't know what's going on
- 6 at all. Their point is just to make it look official.
- 7 And then, when we get them into the Bolivian Consulate
- 8 they're on Bolivian soil and that's where the trap is set. He tells
- 9 him that at the beginning of the second conversation and we went
- 10 over that, right?
- And then, at the end of that conversation, Mr. Roca says to
- 12 the Defendant, look, here's the paradox, I would love to be
- 13 investigated thoroughly in Bolivia. Why? Because Mr. Roca told
- 14 you, himself, and the Defendant told you in his recordings that Mr.
- 15 Roca is innocent.
- 16 And the Defendant says, but there are no quarantees, Mr.
- 17 Roca. And we all know that there are no quarantees if you're an
- 18 innocent man in Bolivia, right? Because we saw what happened to
- 19 that prosecutor in Bolivia.
- 20 So then, the Defendant made sure to tell Mr. Roca about
- 21 Isabelino Gomez who is in jail where there's no evidence against
- 22 him. Those people in the Navy Barges case, in jail, where there's
- 23 no evidence against them because it's all about money. And he tells
- 24 him, Mr. Roca, there are no guarantees. And then, what does he say?
- 25 Let's go to the transcript.

- 1 What happens is there are no guarantees, right? There are
- 2 no guarantees. And if there were some guarantees at any time and
- 3 let's say they would change the situation in any way, I would be the
- 4 first to tell you, sir. We're going to get your statement. Take
- 5 your documents. We're going to the consulate.
- 6 Well, what happens in the consulate? He just told us a
- 7 couple of minutes before that that's where the trap is set. Context
- 8 is important.
- 9 Now, Miss Doakes said what the Mr. Roca was trying to do
- 10 was trying to pay for influence about his cases. And she gave you
- 11 all these examples about how Mr. Roca asking about his cases and
- 12 that's all he was trying to do. He just wanted to get information
- 13 on his cases and that's why the Defendant was in this room.
- This is a very important point, ladies and gentlemen. You,
- 15 as jurors, bring your common sense into the jury room and I want you
- 16 to ask yourselves a question. If Mr. Roca was paying for
- 17 information about his cases and the Defendant was supplying
- 18 information about those cases, why would Mr. Roca want the Defendant
- 19 to be arrested?
- 20 Why would he have invited the FBI to see what was going on?
- 21 That makes no sense, right? He would want to continue to get
- 22 information about his cases if that's what the agreement was, but
- 23 there was no agreement. There was never an agreement. This started
- 24 with Jorge Valda telling him, this is who I am. This is the power
- 25 that I hold.

- 1 Mr. Roca pays or what? He stays guilty. I know he's
- 2 innocent. He told Mr. Roca that over and over again, but that
- 3 doesn't matter. You have to pay.
- 4 Now, she also talked about the things Mr. Roca said to the
- 5 Defendant. Tell me what we're going to do. Tell me what you're
- 6 going to do. What are you going to do for me? What happens if
- 7 this? What happens if that?
- 8 Remember, ladies and gentlemen, this was an undercover
- 9 operation. Mr. Roca approached the FBI. And the FBI asked him to
- 10 record those conversations, to videotape those conversations.
- 11 So Mr. Roca, what was he trying to do? What are you trying
- 12 to do when this is happening to you? He tries to get the Defendant
- 13 to talk. What are you going to do? What do you tell Jorge Valda?
- 14 Tell me. You tell me. Why?
- Because he knows there's a recording and he is trying to
- 16 make sure that he gets everything on the record and he did. The
- 17 Defendant told him exactly what was going on. The Defendant gave
- 18 him all those examples of innocent men in jail. He told him if
- 19 anything changes I'll have you in the consulate. I'll change the
- 20 reports.
- 21 He did all those things so he could make sure to get out of
- 22 the Defendant what had started with Jorge Valda in Bolivia. She
- 23 pointed out that Mr. Roca was smiling in that photograph. Mr. Roca
- 24 knew that the FBI was in the room. He knew what the plan was. He
- 25 wasn't scare. He wasn't going to start screaming. That was after

- 1 the first meeting.
- 2 They had a meeting the next day. The whole point was so
- 3 the Defendant would come back and they could see what he was really
- 4 there for. So he's not going to say, help me because it would tip
- 5 off the whole operation. That's common sense.
- Now, there's some talk about paying for influence and that
- 7 sounds like to me like he was trying to bribe the Defendant. And
- 8 there are two big differences between bribery and extortion and it
- 9 is important to that out. The first big difference is fear.
- The way to think of bribery is, it's a one-way ratchet.
- 11 The status quo is right here. You pay you get a benefit. You don't
- 12 pay, you go back to hear, status quo. There's no downside. There's
- 13 no negatives.
- 14 What was the downside for Mr. Roca? \$30,000? All the
- 15 money with respect to his family member's cases? His freedom?
- 16 The Defendant kept telling him, innocent men in jail in
- 17 Bolivia. I was meeting with the FBI. We were talking about your
- 18 case, Mr. Roca. We were talking about extraditing people. Freedom,
- 19 that's a downside. His family's freedom.
- Now, Miss Doakes said, how could Mr. Roca have anything to
- 21 fear? He is wealthy. So wealthy people cannot be extorted? Is
- 22 that the idea? You are not going to see anywhere in those jury
- 23 instructions where it says it is not extortion if you could afford
- 24 it. Why do wealthy people often get extorted? Because they are a
- 25 vulnerable targets.

- John Dillinger was a famous bank robber. And someone asked
- 2 John Dillinger once, why do you rob banks? And he said, because
- 3 that's where the money is. That's why Mr. Roca was a target for
- 4 this type of thing.
- 5 She said that the Defendant just wanted to do the right
- 6 thing and Mr. Roca said I want to do the right thing. The Defendant
- 7 is the Chief of the Anti-Corruption Unit of the Bolivian National
- 8 Police. What is his job to do? His job is to investigate, to find
- 9 the guilty parties, to organize the evidence against those guilty
- 10 parties and that's his job. That's what police officers do.
- 11 What police officers don't do, they are not supposed to
- 12 find the guilty parties and then go to the innocent parties and say,
- 13 hey, if you pay me money, if you give me \$30,000, I'll make sure
- 14 that you stay innocent and that the guilty people are charged. No
- 15 system of justice works like this.
- 16 Now, Miss Doakes made the point that Mr. Roca is a liar.
- 17 She called him a liar. What evidence is there that Mr. Roca lied?
- 18 Zero. Now, she said my client didn't testify and you cannot hold
- 19 that against him. And that is absolutely true, but the Defendant
- 20 made statements.
- 21 The Defendant made statements. The Defendant made
- 22 statements when he got off that airplane. The Defendant made
- 23 statements to Carlos Guillen and Humberto Roca about the FBI; the
- 24 statements that are in these transcripts. And the Defendant made a
- 25 statement to Luis Arias, who testified. Think about what he said.

- 1 The moment he stepped off the plane he was lying. What are
- 2 you doing here? I'm here for two weeks vacation. Not true. He had
- 3 a reservation to fly back to Bolivia a couple days later. He knew
- 4 he was meeting with Humberto Roca. What about all those statements
- 5 about the FBI? And you will see these transcripts are chock full
- 6 about the FBI.
- 7 And why was the Defendant talking so much to Mr. Roca about
- 8 the FBI? About the investigation that he had with the FBI about how
- 9 he was sharing information with the FBI, about how he cut off that
- 10 information exchange like this. I'm the one that controls the
- 11 information about your case with the FBI. Don't think they haven't
- 12 asked us about your cases; they have.
- 13 Well, what do we know about that statement about the FBI?
- 14 We called in Jared Garth. He's in charge of all communications
- 15 between officials in Bolivian law enforcement and the United States
- 16 FBI. And what he did he tell you? No way. None of that is true.
- 17 We met with one guy and that was the first time we ever met
- 18 with Bolivian law enforcement and we never talked anything about
- 19 Humberto Roca's case. And I looked through our database and there's
- 20 no communications whatsoever. Why is the Defendant saying that to
- 21 Mr. Roca? The answer is obvious. He's trying to scare him.
- 22 And then, Mr. Arias testified the Defendant leaves Mr.
- 23 Roca's house and he has \$5,000 cash and he's caught red-handed. Mr.
- 24 Arias -- Agent Arias -- interviews him. And he asks him, what are
- 25 you here for? And he says, I'm here to take my father back to

- 1 Bolivia. And then, Agent Arias let's him know, well, we know that
- 2 you met with Humberto Roca here. And then what happens? Then, he
- 3 says, oh, right. He's a client of mine. I was offering him legal
- 4 services.
- 5 Look through the transcripts. You won't see any discussion
- 6 about the Defendant offering Mr. Roca legal services. Why? Because
- 7 it's not true. Why did he say that? Because he got caught
- 8 red-handed doing something wrong. Mr. Juenger told you at the
- 9 beginning of this case that you jurors are not mind-readers.
- 10 Okay. We are not asking you to be mind-readers. We are
- 11 asking you to look at the actions, look at the words. What do they
- 12 tell you? I'm a dead man. That's what he said, I'm a dead man.
- 13 Ladies and gentlemen, your job is a very important one, but
- 14 it's a very specific one. You have to look at those questions,
- 15 those elements. They're like questions. You have to look at those
- 16 elements and find the facts.
- 17 You can't be worried about that the Defendant has young
- 18 children here -- I mean, back in Bolivia -- and you feel sympathy.
- 19 The Judge will tell you that you cannot let sympathy dictate your
- 20 verdict. You have to look at the evidence and that is the most
- 21 important thing.
- 22 And when we put these exhibits into evidence, we did that
- 23 because we want you to look at the big picture. We want you to look
- 24 at all the evidence together. Don't single out certain parts. Look
- 25 at the big picture and what will you see? You will see exactly what

- 1 this is all about. It has been about this from day one and it is
- 2 obvious that this is extortion.
- 3 This is about a man who used his position of power to get
- 4 someone to pay him money, someone who Mr. Roca -- as wealthy as he
- 5 is -- even he has to exceed to the power of the Bolivian National
- 6 Police when they come knocking at his doorstep because they have
- 7 power. They have power over his family in Bolivia. They have power
- 8 over his cases in Bolivia. And just because someone has money does
- 9 not mean they cannot be a victim of a crime.
- 10 Ladies and gentlemen, I ask you to consider all the
- 11 evidence in this case. And when you consider all the evidence
- 12 together, and when you consider all the testimony, you will reach
- 13 the only verdict that is consistent with the evidence and that is
- 14 guilty on Counts One and Two.
- Thank you very much for your time.
- 16 THE COURT: Members of the jury, it is now my duty to
- 17 instruct you on the rules of law that you must follow in deciding
- 18 this case. After I have completed these instructions, you will go
- 19 to the jury room and begin your discussions, which we call your
- 20 deliberations.
- 21 You must decide whether the Government has proved the
- 22 specific facts necessary to find the Defendant guilty beyond a
- 23 reasonable doubt. Your decision must be based only on the evidence
- 24 presented here. You must not be influenced in any way by either
- 25 sympathy for or prejudice against the Defendant or the Government.

- 1 You must follow the law as explained to you, even if you do
- 2 not agree with the law, and you must follow all of the instructions
- 3 as a whole. You must not single out or disregard any of the Court's
- 4 instructions on the law.
- 5 As you know, the indictment or formal charge against a
- 6 Defendant is not evidence of guilt. The law presumes every
- 7 Defendant is innocent. The Defendant does not have to prove his
- 8 innocence or produce any evidence at all. The Defendant does not
- 9 have to testify. And if the Defendant chose not to testify, you
- 10 cannot consider that in any way while making your decision.
- 11 The Government must prove guilt beyond a reasonable doubt
- 12 and if it fails to do so, you must find the Defendant not guilty.
- 13 The Government's burden of proof is heavy, but it does not have to
- 14 prove the Defendant's quilt beyond all possible doubt. The
- 15 Government's proof only has to exclude any reasonable doubt
- 16 concerning the Defendant's guilt.
- 17 A reasonable doubt is a real doubt based on your reason and
- 18 common sense after you have carefully and impartially considered all
- 19 the evidence in the case. Proof beyond a reasonable doubt,
- 20 therefore, is proof so convincing that you would be willing to rely
- 21 and act upon it without hesitation in the most important of your own
- 22 affairs.
- 23 If you are convinced that the Defendant has been proved
- 24 guilt beyond a reasonable doubt, you should say so. If you are not
- 25 convinced, you should likewise say so. As said before, you must

- 1 consider only the evidence that has been admitted in the case.
- 2 Evidence includes the testimony of witnesses and the exhibits
- 3 admitted, but anything the lawyers say is not evidence and it is not
- 4 binding on you.
- 5 You should further not assume from anything I may have said
- 6 that the Court has any opinion about any factual issue in the case.
- 7 Except for my instructions to you on the law, you should disregard
- 8 anything I may have said during the trial in arriving at your own
- 9 decision about the facts.
- 10 Your own recollection and interpretation of the evidence is
- 11 what controls. In considering the evidence, you may use reasoning
- 12 and common sense to make deductions and reach conclusions. You
- 13 should not be concerned about whether the evidence is direct or
- 14 circumstantial.
- Direct evidence is the testimony of one who asserts that he
- 16 or she has actual knowledge of the facts, such as an eyewitness.
- 17 Circumstantial evidence is proof of a chain of facts and
- 18 circumstances that tend to prove or disprove a fact. There is no
- 19 legal difference in the weight that you may give to either direct or
- 20 circumstantial evidence.
- 21 When I say you must consider all the evidence, I do not
- 22 mean that you must accept all of the evidence as true or accurate.
- 23 You should decide whether you believe what each witness had to say
- 24 and how important that testimony was.
- 25 And in making that decision, you may believe or disbelieve

- 1 any witness in whole or in part. The number of witnesses testifying
- 2 concerning any particular point does not necessarily matter. To
- 3 decide whether you believe any witness, I suggest that you ask
- 4 yourselves a few questions.
- 5 Did the witness impress you as one who was telling the
- 6 truth?
- 7 Did the witness have any particular reason not to tell the
- 8 truth?
- 9 Did the witness have a personal interest in the outcome of
- 10 the case?
- 11 Did the witness seem to have a good memory?
- 12 Did the witness have the opportunity and ability to
- 13 accurately observe the things he or she testified about?
- 14 Did the witness appear to understand the questions clearly
- 15 and answer them directly?
- 16 Did the witness' testimony differ from other testimony or
- 17 other evidence?
- 18 You should also ask yourself whether there was evidence
- 19 that a witness testified falsely about an important fact and ask
- 20 whether there was evidence that at some other time a witness said or
- 21 did something, or did not say or do something that was different
- 22 from the testimony the witness gave during the trial.
- 23 But keep in mind that a simple mistake does not mean a
- 24 witness was not telling the truth as he or she remembers it. People
- 25 naturally tend to forget some things or remember them inaccurately.

- 1 So if a witness misstated something, you must decide whether it was
- 2 because of an innocent lapse in memory or an intentional deception.
- 3 The significance of your decision may depend on whether the
- 4 misstatement is about an important fact or about an unimportant
- 5 detail.
- If the Government offers evidence that the Defendant made a
- 7 statement or admission to someone being arrested or detained, you
- 8 must consider that evidence with caution and great care. You must
- 9 decide for yourself, one, whether the Defendant made the statement,
- 10 and two, if so, how much weight to give to it.
- To make these decisions you must consider all the evidence
- 12 about the statement, including the circumstances under which it was
- 13 made.
- 14 During the trial you heard evidence of acts done by the
- 15 Defendant on other occasions that may be similar to the acts the
- 16 Defendant is currently charged with. You must not consider any of
- 17 this evidence to decide whether the Defendant committed the acts
- 18 charged now, but you may consider this evidence for the other very
- 19 limited purposes.
- 20 If other evidence leads you to decide beyond a reasonable
- 21 doubt that the Defendant committed the charged acts, you may
- 22 consider evidence of similar acts done on other occasions to decide
- 23 whether the Defendant had the state of mind or intent necessary for
- 24 the crime charged according to a plan, or to prepare to commit a
- 25 crime, or committed the charged acts by accident or mistake.

- 1 As you know, members of the jury, the indictment charges
- 2 two separate offenses, two separate crimes called counts against the
- 3 Defendant. Each count has a number. You will be given a copy of
- 4 the indictment to refer to during your deliberations.
- 5 Count one charges that the Defendant committed what is
- 6 called a substantive offense. Specifically, that he knowingly and
- 7 willfully traveled in foreign commerce with the intent to commit
- 8 extortion. I will explain the law governing that offense in a
- 9 moment.
- 10 Count Two charges that the Defendant attempted to commit a
- 11 substantive offense specifically extortion and that he attempted to
- 12 obstruct, delay, and affect interstate and foreign commerce by
- 13 obtaining the property of Humberto Roca by the wrongful use of fear.
- 14 I will explain the law governing that offense in a moment.
- 15 Please note that the Defendant is not charged in Count Two
- 16 with committing a substantive offense. He is charged with
- 17 attempting to commit that offense. I will give you a specific
- 18 instruction on attempt. I will now give you the law governing the
- 19 offenses now.
- 20 It is a federal crime for anyone to travel in foreign
- 21 commerce in order to carry on certain unlawful activities. The
- 22 Defendant can be found guilty of this crime, that is the crime
- 23 alleged in Count One of the indictment, only if all the following
- 24 facts are proved beyond a reasonable doubt.
- One, that the Defendant traveled in foreign commerce on or

- 1 about the dates and between the places described in the indictment;
- 2 Two, that the Defendant traveled with a specific intent to
- 3 promote, manage, establish, or carry on an unlawful activity;
- 4 And three, that while traveling the Defendant knowingly
- 5 committed an act to promote, manage, establish, or carry on an
- 6 unlawful activity.
- 7 The term foreign commerce means travel, transportation, or
- 8 movement between some place within the United States and some place
- 9 outside the United States.
- 10 The Government must prove that the Defendant traveled in
- 11 foreign commerce and specifically intended to promote, manage,
- 12 establish, or carry on an unlawful activity. But the Government
- 13 does not have to prove that the unlawful activity was the only or
- 14 even primary reason the Defendant traveled.
- Unlawful activity means the crime of extortion in violation
- 16 of the laws of Florida or of the United States. Under Florida law
- 17 it is unlawful to verbally and maliciously threaten to injure
- 18 another person with the intent to extort money from that person.
- 19 The threat need not be a threat of physical injury.
- It is also unlawful to verbally and maliciously threaten to
- 21 accuse another person of any crime. To threaten someone maliciously
- 22 means intentionally and without any lawful justification. It is not
- 23 necessary for the Government to prove that the Defendant intended or
- 24 had the ability to carry out the threat.
- Under United States law, it is unlawful to attempt to

- 1 obstruct, delay, and affect interstate and foreign commerce by
- 2 obtaining the property of someone by the wrongful use of fear.
- 3 The crime charged in traveling in foreign commerce with the
- 4 intent to promote, manage, establish and carry on an unlawful
- 5 activity. The crime charged is traveling in foreign commerce with
- 6 the intent to promote, manage, establish, and carry on an unlawful
- 7 activity.
- 8 So if you find beyond a reasonable doubt that any one
- 9 method or way of violating the law occurred that is sufficient, but
- 10 you must all agree on the particular way involved.
- 11 The second crime charged in the indictment, that is Count
- 12 Two of the indictment, alleges and states that it is a federal crime
- 13 to attempt to extort something from someone else and in doing so to
- 14 obstruct, delay, or affect interstate commerce.
- The Defendant, in this case, can be found guilty of this
- 16 crime that is the crime alleged in Count Two of the indictment only
- 17 if all of the following facts are proved beyond a reasonable doubt.
- 18 First, that the Defendant attempted to cause Humberto Roca
- 19 to part with property;
- Two, that the Defendant did so knowingly by attempting to
- 21 use extortion;
- 22 And three, that the attempted extortion transaction, if
- 23 actually carried out, would have delayed, interrupted, or affected
- 24 interstate commerce.
- 25 Property includes money, other tangible things of value,

- 1 and intangible rights that are a source or a part of income or 2 wealth.
- 3 Extortion means obtaining property from a person who
- 4 consents to give it because of the wrongful use of fear.
- 5 Fear means a state of anxious concern, alarm, or
- 6 anticipation of harm. It includes the fear of financial loss as
- 7 well as fear of physical violence.
- 8 The fear experienced by the victim does not have to be the
- 9 consequence of a direct threat. The threats used to extort money
- 10 may be subtle and indirect as long as the Government can show
- 11 circumstances surrounding the alleged extortion of conduct that
- 12 rendered the victim's fear of threatened loss reason.
- 13 Interstate commerce is the flow of business activity
- 14 between one state and anywhere outside the state. The Government
- 15 does not have to prove that the Defendant specifically intended to
- 16 affect interstate commerce in any way, but it must prove that the
- 17 natural consequences of the acts described in the indictment would
- 18 be to somehow delay, interrupt, or affect interstate commerce.
- 19 If you decide that there would be any affect at all in
- 20 interstate commerce, then that is enough to satisfy this element.
- 21 The affect can be minimal. In some cases, as you know, it is a
- 22 crime to attempt to commit an offense even if the attempt fails.
- In this case, the Defendant is charged in Count Two with
- 24 attempt to commit extortion. The Defendant can be found guilty of
- 25 an attempt to commit that offense only if both of the following

- 1 facts are proofed beyond a reasonable doubt.
- 2 First, that the Defendant knowingly intended to commit the
- 3 crime of extortion;
- 4 And second, that the Defendant's intent was strongly
- 5 corroborated by his taking a substantial step toward committing the
- 6 crime. A substantial step is an important action leading up to
- 7 committing of an offense, not just an inconsequential act. It must
- 8 be more than simply preparing. It must be an act that would
- 9 normally result in committing the offense.
- 10 You will see when you study the indictment that it charges
- 11 that a crime was committed on or about certain dates. The
- 12 Government does not have to prove that the crime occurred on an
- 13 exact date. The Government only has to prove beyond a reasonable
- 14 doubt that the crime was committed on a date reasonably close to the
- 15 date alleged.
- 16 The word knowingly means that an act was done voluntarily
- 17 and intentionally and not because of a mistake or by accident. The
- 18 word willfully means that the act was committed voluntarily and
- 19 purposely with the intent to do something the law forbids. That is
- 20 with a bad purpose to disobey or disregard the law.
- 21 While a person must have acted with the intent to do
- 22 something the law forbids before you can find the person acted
- 23 willfully, a person need not be aware of the specific law or rule
- 24 that his conduct may be violating.
- 25 Each count of the indictment charges a separate crime. You

- 1 must consider each crime and the evidence relating to it separately.
- 2 If you have find the Defendant guilty or not guilty of one crime
- 3 that must not affect your verdict for any other crime.
- 4 You are cautioned, members of the jury, that the Defendant
- 5 is on trial only for the specific crimes charged in the indictment.
- 6 You are here to determine, from the evidence in this case, whether
- 7 the Defendant is guilty or not guilty of these specific crimes.
- 8 Also, you must never consider punishment in any way to
- 9 decide whether the Defendant is guilty. If you find the Defendant
- 10 guilty, the punishment is for the Court alone to decide later.
- 11 Your verdict in this case, members of the jury, whether
- 12 guilty or not guilty must be unanimous. In other words, up must all
- 13 agree. Your deliberations are secret and you will never have to
- 14 explain your verdict to anyone.
- 15 Each of you must decide the case for yourself, but only
- 16 after fully considering the evidence with the other jurors. You
- 17 must discuss the case with one another and try to reach an
- 18 agreement.
- 19 While you are discussing the case, do not hesitate to
- 20 re-examine your opinion and change your mind if you become convinced
- 21 that you were wrong. But do not give up your honest beliefs just
- 22 because others think differently or because you the simply want to
- 23 get the case over with.
- Remember, that in a very real way, you are the judges. You
- 25 are the judges of the facts of this case and your only interest in

- 1 this case is to seek the truth from the evidence in this case.
- 2 At this time, I would like to thank Mr. Mackey, who has
- 3 basically served as our alternate juror in this case. And Mr.
- 4 Mackey, since we have eleven of the original 12 jurors present and
- 5 Mr. Lakso had replaced the alternate juror who was excused, I will
- 6 excuse you at this time. So you are free to leave and you are
- 7 excused at this time, sir, with the thanks of the Court.
- 8 Members of the jury, when you go to the jury room, you
- 9 should first select one of your number who will act as your foreman
- 10 or forewoman who will preside over your deliberations and who will
- 11 speak for you here in court.
- 12 A form of verdict has been prepared for your convenience
- 13 and I will now read it to you. It reads as follows: We the jury,
- 14 unanimously find the Defendant Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga as to
- 15 Count One of the indictment guilty or not guilty.
- 16 You will see on the face of the verdict form the words
- 17 quilty or not quilty next to which there is a blank.
- 18 When you have reached a unanimous agreement as to your
- 19 verdict your foreman or forewoman, acting for the jury, will
- 20 indicate your unanimous finding by placing an X or check in the
- 21 place marked guilty or not guilty, as you may find, under the facts
- 22 and the law of this case.
- 23 The verdict continues to read: We the jury, unanimously
- 24 find the Defendant Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga, as to Count Two
- 25 of the indictment, guilty or not guilty, so say we all.

- 1 And again, when you have reached an unanimous agreement,
- 2 your foreman or forewoman, acting for the jury, will indicate your
- 3 finding by checking the appropriate box. When you have reached an
- 4 unanimous agreement, your foreman or forewoman will fill out the
- 5 form, will date and sign it.
- If you wish to communicate with the Court during the course
- 7 of your deliberations, you should reduce your message or question to
- 8 writing and pass it to the marshal, who will then bring it to the
- 9 Court's attention. We will, then, respond as promptly as we can
- 10 either in writing. Although, occasionally, it may be necessary to
- 11 have you back into the courtroom so that you may be addressed
- 12 orally.
- The jury instructions, which have just been read to you,
- 14 will be delivered to you in the jury room for your review and to
- 15 assist you in the course of your deliberations. A copy of the
- 16 indictment, in this case, will also be delivered to you in the jury
- 17 room to assist you in your deliberations.
- The exhibits that have been received into evidence will,
- 19 likewise, be assembled by the clerk. And they will, likewise, be
- 20 delivered to you for your review during the course of your
- 21 deliberations.
- 22 As I told you on the first day of trial, I will see that
- 23 you leave here by no later than 5:00. If you have not reached a
- 24 verdict by 5:00, I will at that time ask that you recess your
- 25 deliberations until tomorrow morning at 9:00. So you need not have

- 1 to worry about whether we are going to keep you all night. We are
- 2 not going to do that.
- 3 And then, I will again remind you that your verdict in this
- 4 case must be unanimous. That is you have to all agree before it may
- 5 be returned to the Court as a verdict. And with those instructions
- 6 you may retire in the consideration of that verdict.
- 7 Madame Marshal, you may take the jury out and I will give
- 8 you a copy of the indictment to give to the jury, which I have done
- 9 earlier.
- 10 (Jury exited.)
- 11 THE COURT: And if you remain in the courtroom and
- 12 inventory the exhibits with the clerk we will send the exhibits
- 13 back. And we will be in recess until we hear from the jury and I
- 14 have a copy of the verdict form that I will give to counsel.
- MR. BYRNE: I have the laptop if they want to use it.
- 16 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Do we want to hold onto that until
- 17 they ask for it?
- 18 THE COURT: Yes.
- 19 (Recess.)
- THE COURT: Miss Doakes, we had to wait 15 minutes for you.
- 21 MS. DOAKES: Your Honor, I was in my office. I apologize.
- 22 I'm so sorry.
- 23 THE COURT: Well, the jury announced it had a verdict and
- 24 we had to be chasing you down all over the district.
- MS. DOAKES: I'm so sorry, Your Honor.

- 1 THE COURT: The jury has announced it has reached a
- 2 verdict.
- 3 You may bring in the jury, Madame Marshal.
- 4 (Jury entered.)
- 5 THE COURT: Members of the jury, have you reached a
- 6 verdict?
- 7 THE FOREPERSON: Yes.
- 8 THE COURT: Would you please pass the verdict to the
- 9 Marshal.
- THE FOREPERSON: (Complied.)
- 11 THE COURT: Members of the jury, harken to the reading of
- 12 your verdict.
- 13 You may be seated.
- 14 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: United States District Court,
- 15 Southern District of Florida, Case Number 13-20690 criminal,
- 16 Rosenbaum, referred to Senior Judge Jose A. Gonzalez, Junior.
- 17 United States of America versus Mario Fabricio Ormachea
- 18 Aliaga, verdict form: We, the jury, unanimously find the Defendant
- 19 Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga as to Count One of the indictment
- 20 guilty;
- 21 We, the jury, find the Defendant Mario Fabricio Ormachea
- 22 Aliaga as to Count Two of the indictment guilty.
- 23 So say we all, signed by the foreperson of the jury on
- 24 March 12th of 2014.
- 25 THE COURT: Members of the jury, is this your verdict?

- 1 THE JURORS: Yes.
- 2 THE COURT: As your names are called would you please
- 3 answer out loud.
- 4 Please poll the jury, Madame Clerk.
- 5 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 1, is the verdict as
- 6 read your verdict?
- 7 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 8 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 2, is the verdict as
- 9 read your verdict?
- 10 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 11 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 3, is the verdict as
- 12 read your verdict?
- 13 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 14 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 4, is the verdict as
- 15 read your verdict?
- 16 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 17 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 5, is the verdict as
- 18 read your verdict?
- 19 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 20 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 6, is the verdict as
- 21 read your verdict?
- THE JUROR: Yes.
- 23 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 7, is the verdict as
- 24 read your verdict?
- THE JUROR: Yes.

- 1 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 8, is the verdict as
- 2 read your verdict?
- 3 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 4 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 9, is the verdict as
- 5 read your verdict?
- 6 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 7 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 10, is the verdict as
- 8 read your verdict?
- 9 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 10 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 11, is the verdict as
- 11 read your verdict?
- 12 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 13 THE COURTROOM DEPUTY: Juror number 12, is the verdict as
- 14 read your verdict?
- 15 THE JUROR: Yes.
- 16 THE COURT: The jury has been polled all answering in the
- 17 affirmative. The Court finds the verdict is unanimous. Madame
- 18 Clerk, you may record the verdict.
- 19 Members of the jury, before I excuse you from further
- 20 attention to this case, I wish to thank you on behalf of the Court
- 21 and on behalf of the litigants, but especially on behalf of your
- 22 fellow citizens of the United States for the service that you have
- 23 rendered here this week to the cause of the administration of
- 24 justice in our country.
- I hope you have found this to be an interesting, a

- 1 rewarding, and an enriching experience. I hope that you will leave
- 2 here this afternoon with the satisfaction of knowing that you have
- 3 discharged the highest responsibility and, indeed, the highest
- 4 privilege of citizenship in our country, which is as serving as a
- 5 juror and sitting as a judge of the rights and the affairs of our
- 6 fellow citizens.
- 7 The jury will stand discharged at this time with the thanks
- 8 of the Court. You may take the jury out, Madame Clerk.
- 9 (Jury exited.)
- 10 THE COURT: Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga, you have been
- 11 tried by a jury of 12 citizens of the United States. And that jury
- 12 has returned its verdict in the case of the United States of America
- 13 versus Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga and has found you guilty of
- 14 the offenses charged in the indictment in the case of the United
- 15 States of America versus Mario Fabricio Ormachea Aliaga.
- 16 Accordingly, the Court finds you and adjudges you at this
- 17 time as follows: As to Count one, guilty; as to Count Two, guilty.
- 18 The Probation Office of this Court will be directed to
- 19 conduct a Presentence Investigation Report of this Defendant and
- 20 submit the same to the Court.
- 21 The sentencing will be scheduled and held in this case on
- 22 Friday, May the 23rd of 2014 at 9:45 a.m. in this courthouse.
- 23 Specifically, in Courtroom 310 before the Honorable Robin S.
- 24 Rosenbaum, United States District Judge, to whom this case was
- 25 originally assigned.

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            The Defendant is remanded to the custody of the United
 2 States Marshal by him to be held pending the sentencing in this case
 3 for the further order of this Court.
            All right. Would you have the Defendant sign it.
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            Is there any further business to come before the Court at
 6 this time in connection with this case?
            MR. BYRNE: No, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: For the defense?
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            MS. DOAKES: No, Your Honor.
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            THE COURT: All right. Then, the case will stand in recess
11 until the time of sentencing or the further order of the Court.
            The Court is in recess.
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            (Thereupon, the foregoing proceedings concluded.)
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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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