

CASE NUMBER: 3:09-CR-294-M

MEETING DATE: APRIL 22, 2009

BEGINNING TIME: 9:52 A.M.

ENDING TIME: 12:14 P.M.

PARTICIPANTS: HOSAM SMADI (SUB = SUBJECT)
HUSSEIN (UCE = UNDERCOVER 3)
UNIDENTIFIED RESTAURANT EMPLOYEE (URE)
UNIDENTIFIED RESTAURANT CASHIER (URC)
UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE (UF)

LANGUAGE: ARABIC AND ENGLISH

LEGEND:

REGULAR FONT

ITALICS

[UI]

[OV]

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[SIC]

ORIGINALLY SPOKEN IN ARABIC

ORIGINALLY SPOKEN IN ENGLISH

UNINTELLIGIBLE

OVERLAPPING VOICES

NOISE/TRANSLATOR'S NOTE

ORIGINAL TEXT WAS READABLE BUT IN
INCORRECT FORM

GOVERNMENT
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[Beginning of recording]

[Background noise]

[UCE records a message]: UC [REDACTED] *It is 9:52 A.M. on April 22nd, 2009. I am at the Holiday Inn in Dallas [noise] and I [UI] go and meet Subject at Cracker Barrel.*

[Noise - elevator]

[UCE converses with another English speaker.]

[UCE asks for smoking section]

[UCE talks to UF, asks about a smoking section]

[UCE meets Subject]

UCE: May peace, Allah's blessings and mercy be upon you. Welcome.

UCE: What are your news?

UCE: It is good that you smoke cigarettes...I got a smoking, too.

SUB: I brought.

UCE: May Allah keep you. How are you?

SUB: By Allah...thanks to Allah.

UCE: Is everything okay?

SUB: Okay, thanks to Allah.

UCE: May Allah keep you, may Allah keep you.

UCE: When you told me you are wearing all black. [Laugh]

SUB: No.

UCE: You must be hungry? We have to eat, I mean.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: We have to eat, I mean.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Okay, okay... may Allah keep you, what are your news? Was it easy for you to find this place?

SUB: Er, not, it was easy, I have lived around here before, I mean, you know?

UCE: Do you drive? Yeah--

SUB: Yes, I used to live here.

UCE: It's *nice area*, I mean it is not--

SUB: *Yeah, very nice.*

UCE: Is it a big area, here or...?

SUB: I mean, like you say, there are areas with many black people--

UCE: Yeah, er--

SUB: --and it has no white, better.

UCE: Does it mean that this one has many black?

SUB: Yeah...this area has many black...like you say...it's not a very rich area...not...

UCE: *Low*, you mean--?

SUB: It's *medium*.

UCE: Okay, we are *medium* too. [Laugh]

SUB: [Laugh]

UCE: We are *medium* too, we are *medium* too... We are below *medium* too...we are below *medium* too.

URE: *Good morning.*

UCE: *Hey, good morning. How are you?*

SUB: *How are you doing?*

URE: *Welcome to Cracker Barrel, Churchill will be takin' care of you all, I am going to start it there.*

UCE: Alright.

URE: *Would you like to start with sweet ice tea, unsweet tea, a cup of coffee, a glass of orange juice?*

SUB: Yeah, sweet tea.

URE: Sweet tea.

UCE: *Coffee and orange juice, please.*

UCE: What is that?

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Have you eaten here before or not?

SUB: This is the first time I come here.

UCE: The first time you come here?

SUB: This is the first time in my life to come here.

UCE: It is, er...I don't eat here a lot, but I thought it is around here so [noise]...but I thought that it is near to us and is a nice place...

UCE: And where do you live?

SUB: I live in the *South...Waxahachie...an area near Waxahachie...about 30 miles.*

UCE: 30 miles?

SUB: 30 miles...I mean it is close. I used to live here. I used to work here.

UCE: Where? In this same area?

SUB: In this area...but I only stayed two months.

UCE: Didn't you like it here or what?

SUB: Er, I found a job there and I worked there.

UCE: What do you do exactly?

SUB: I just do regular work.

UCE: I don't have Cleopatra to smoke...you know how we are in Egypt, we like to smoke *Cleopatra super*.

SUB: In a gas station, gas station.

UCE: *Cashier?*

SUB: *Cashier.*

UCE: How long have you been there?

SUB: I mean, about one year and a half.

UCE: One year and a half. You have been there for a while...in the same place?

SUB: In the same place.

UCE: Do you like it, I mean, [UI]?

SUB: Thank Allah...it is okay.

UCE: Thank Allah.

SUB: I got married, and worked on the papers.

UCE: Are you married?

SUB: To do the papers, for the papers...[UI]

URE: *Are you gentlemen ready to order?*

UCE: Are you ready?

SUB: Er, *in a minute.*

UCE: *Please give me one minute...[UI]*

SUB: What are you going to order?

UCE: By Allah, I don't even know. I don't come here often. I came here once or twice...it's not a problem. What do you want to eat? What ever you want is here...there is *breakfast* and I think there is lunch...*lunch*, but I don't know...wait.

[Noise]

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Oh, no...[UI]...don't be afraid...[UI].

SUB: [UI]

UCE: No, Allah forbids.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: You know, even I was talking with an American guy about the pork thing...what do you think of...I was looking at the [UI] which is the *veggie*...vegetables.

SUB: Vegetables?

UCE: But I don't know, I am not going to lie to you, I don't want you to order something and you end up not liking it...*peppers, tomatoes*, what else is there...do you want to eat lunch?

SUB: No.

UCE: Do you want to eat lunch?

SUB: No, I am going to eat this.

UCE: Are you sure? You are supposed to eat? Eat [UI]?

SUB: I eat--

UCE: Like we say in Egypt there is meat here, I mean...there is meat here, as well.

SUB: I am from Jordan.

UCE: Are you from Jordan?

SUB: I am from Jordan, yeah.

UCE: I want to tell you that when people come around us we need to speak in English so it will be better. Er, are you? I want to tell you, I mean, I don't know anything about you...only that Rafiq said, "Go meet him." Only.

SUB: I [UI].

UCE: I don't, I...all I know is that you are--

SUB: [UI]

[Noise]

UCE: No, man...may Allah keep you. You are from Jordan, I mean are you Jordanian?

SUB: I am Jordanian by origin.

UCE: Jordanian, Jordanian?

SUB: Jordanian, Jordanian.

UCE: I mean, is your family in Jordan?

SUB: My family lives in Jordan, and if Allah wishes, the Haj will be coming to visit me next week.

UCE: By Allah that's good...that's good.

SUB: But I mean that I haven't seen in him in about a year...I couldn't go...I don't have papers now.

UCE: How long have you been married?

SUB: Er, I have been for eight months, but the lawyer that I have used--

UCE: *Lazy?*

UCE: Look, I can give you some advice in this area, I have residency status here and everything. Are you living with her or not?

SUB: No, I live alone, but I used to live with her for a while.

UCE: But you are married? Married through Islamic law? I mean that you went to the court, and took the, er...you have the, what we call, the marriage license and everything--?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: --so, you are considered married before Allah.

SUB: Yeah, but I mean that this marriage is on papers, not a traditional one...I paid the girl money--

UCE: But you have to be careful... I have to tell you, I have to tell you, tell you...it's not a problem, but it can become a problem, are you paying attention? I mean, do you know her well?

SUB: I used to work with her and she lived with me for six months, ten...just living.

UCE: Is she American, American, or, er--?

SUB: She is a Mexican American...the girl is a lot, I mean.

UCE: Is she a good, I mean, or--?

SUB: The girl loves me a lot, like a brother.

UCE: Did she do for you as a *favor*, I mean?

SUB: *Yeah, yeah, favor.* The girl helped me a whole lot...with work...[UI]. If she needed money, I would give her.

UCE: Until you get the papers, but I want to tell you something. They have changed the way- Don't you want to eat meat or a *steak* or anything, or--?

URE: *I'll give you guys more time.*

UCE: *I am good, I'm looking.... Do you have any steak in breakfast? Is this--?*

URE: *Yeah, yeah, Country Boy.*

UCE: *Where is that at? I am sorry man, I am not, er, from here.*

URE: *I want to bring to your attention...[UI] the steak right there...[UI]...steak, pork chops, and [UI].*

UCE: *Right, okay.*

SUB: *What is it? Is it Country Boy?*

UCE: *Yeah.*

URE: *Steak.*

UCE: *I'll tell you what...give me, er, give me a steak.*

URE: *How do you like that cooked?*

UCE: *Medium rare.*

URE: *Medium rare. How do you like your eggs?*

UCE: *What do you recommend?*

URE: [UI]

UCE: [UI] *over, over*

URE: *I'll give you over easy and well for your...*

UCE: *Okay, okay.*

URE: *Okay.*

UCE: *Okay.*

URE *Do you want your steak medium rare right?*

UCE: *Yeah.*

URE: *And what about you sir?*

SUB: *For me, er, give me a steak.*

URE *How do you want that cooked?*

SUB: *Er, medium.*

URE: *How do you want your eggs?*

SUB: *Er...*

URE *Like his? [UI]*

SUB: *Er, I don't want this.*

URE: *Are you sure?*

UCE: *Don't you want the--?*

URE: *You want, you want more, er, more apples, more hash brown casserole?*

SUB: *Er, no, just, just regular.*

URE *Okay.*

UCE: *Do you want French fries? Do you want anything to go with it?*

SUB: *Nothing.*

UCE: *Don't you want anything to go with it? Potatoes, anything? You wanna, er, you wanna potatoes, more?*

URE: *I can give you more potatoes.*

SUB: I am not very hungry, not--

UCE: *Okay, just give... Make it a large steak, how about that?*

URE: *Huh.*

SUB: [UI] *Okay, thank you.*

URE: *You're welcome.*

UCE: How long have you been with her? Six months?

SUB: I have been with her for about eight months.

UCE: Do you live with each other?

SUB: We lived with each other for three months--

UCE: So, what happened? Did you have a fight?

SUB: What happened is that I had a fight with her...I can't live with someone this way... you do understand how they live.

UCE: Of course I understand, but I have to tell you something, I mean, it can become a problem later. You know...now they are sons of dogs at *Immigration*, and because we are Arabs too--

SUB: I know, yeah.

UCE: Be careful. Do you know if they will have her--? Have they *interviewed* her yet or not?

SUB: Er, there are no papers yet that--

UCE: Don't you want *orange juice* or anything?

SUB: No. I mean the papers will not- will not be, like you say, it hasn't left the lawyer's office yet because he is waiting for me to bring him a new affidavit of support, because he lost the document.

UCE: Is the lawyer Arab or American?

SUB: The lawyer, between you and me, I screwed up... One guy referred me to him, a lawyer from... *Jewish* originally.

UCE: Where from?

SUB: *Jewish.*

UCE: How terrible! Then good-bye. [Laugh]

SUB: He is seventy years old.

UCE: That means that he can't see when he reads them.

SUB: He has Alzheimer's and had to be hospitalized to my luck, when I started my papers. He is okay now and promised me to get it going once I get the documents.

UCE: So, why didn't he send them to you? How much does he want?

SUB: Er, what is it?

UCE: How much does he want for the affidavit? What does the affidavit need?

SUB: Yeah, the affidavit is ready but I have to go pick it from the man who made it for me one more time.

UCE: Honestly, it is good that you stayed a while without starting your papers...that you didn't marry...this is good...but at the same time, because you don't live with her, there might be a problem, because they will take her, interview her and they will grill her like we say, with plain language.

SUB: Right.

UCE: Where do you live? Where do you sleep? Where is he? And does he work? They ask all these questions. I know this because I know that--

SUB: What is going to help is that the girl is pregnant by somebody else, so I was going to say that she cheated on me--

UCE: Pregnant from him.

SUB: --and we left each other for a while--

UCE: Er, I don't want to-- that's fine, fine...but they will think.... But they are going to think... or when you say that, they are going to say Lord! Lord! Lord! I'll tell you something, lying in such matter is permis- not a problem, I mean--

SUB: *Yeah.*

UCE: --er, tell him that he is, er, the son, son, your son, your son.

SUB: Tell him that it is my son?

UCE: Yeah, that she is pregnant, yeah.

SUB: But the girl doesn't want to stay with me for a long time.

UCE: Okay, it is not a problem.

SUB: But, now we fear that the papers--

UCE: But be careful, the papers are valid for so many years, right? Now they changed it right?

SUB: Now, I mean, if--

UCE: If they come to you today, if they give you the card today, is it for a period, or is it? There isn't...I believe that after two or three years you still have to come again, isn't it so?

SUB: Right.

UCE: What are you going to do then?

SUB: Yeah, maybe...I don't know, I mean.

UCE: I just want to know, I mean, I am not--

SUB: I am not thinking [UI].

UCE: You just want it now, and that's it?

SUB: I just want, [OV] [UI].

UCE: Just let-let-let-let the lawyer to do it for six months. I mean let him go do it any...do it so that.... It will be good. Does she live near you, or what?

SUB: Now she lives, you can say, I mean, her parents live.... She is in *college* now, in college.

UCE: It means she goes to university.

SUB: She goes to university.

UCE: Okay.

SUB: Er, she is living with her father. Her mother is not here, she lives somewhere else,

and I mean, like you say, she is about 20 miles away from me. But I wanted to say that she, I mean, was pregnant and went away from me because she is attending college.

UCE: Because of the college, exactly. This, this is different, this is better than talking about cheating and--

SUB: No, I will close the door--

[OV]

UCE: You were about to open--

SUB: No, I will not open [OV].

UCE: You will open a can of worms--

SUB: [UI] [OV]

UCE: --yeah, exactly. "She went because of the college and I help her through college, and we--

SUB: [OV] [UI]

UCE: --she is pregnant, and she--

SUB: She is close to work.

UCE: --we love each other and all that..." But she has also on the same page of the story with you hundred percent.

SUB: She started to [UI].

UCE: You also have to give her something so that...yeah.

SUB: I will give her, Allah willing.

UCE: When is your father going to come here, Allah willing?

SUB: Allah's willing, my father will be here on Sunday.

UCE: That's good. For how long haven't you seen him?

SUB: I mean, about a year, a year and a half...I was in *California*.

UCE: Were you in *California*?

SUB: I was in *California*--

UCE: How old are you sir?

SUB: I am 19 years old now.

UCE: I was born in 61. Nineteen. I can remember when I was 19, wow.

SUB: But I mean, *maybe I look old*.

UCE: No, no. You look like you are 20...20 I mean, yeah.

SUB: When I was 16, people would think that I was 20 or 21.

UCE: Let me tell you, sir... Of course you knew that I am Egyptian when I greeted you with peace be upon you, there is no doubt about it. I started to have a mustache when, [laughs] when I was 11 years old...when I used to go to school, those teachers would think that I am a habitual class repeater--

SUB: A lot.

UCE: --yeah, *yeah* they... "How old are you, and why did you fail?" "My dear, I did not fail or anything." I used to have a mustache.

SUB: You know...it is something like that.... This morning, I woke up early, and I was in a hurry shaving my beard and I messed it up.

UCE: Did you have a beard?

SUB: And I used to be--

UCE: It looks okay, it is normal...you grow it for the looks, I mean--

SUB: No, but it's not [UI].

UCE: --it's not a problem, yeah, no-no-no-no.

SUB: So--

UCE: Look, I...the most important thing is that we are sitting, talking together...you don't know me and I don't know you too. I don't know about you.... I am telling, I am telling, I mean--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: --nobody can say anything, nobody can utter a word about us.

SUB: Right.

UCE: Er, it's good that you got married. That's good, that you got married. I mean that you came here.... How did you come?

SUB: I came with a *visa*, a regular *visa*.

UCE: Like what, I mean, is a regular *visa*?

SUB: I mean for a visit.

UCE: Visit? Okay.

SUB: I came for a visit, and I came for a goal--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --that I had in my mind--

UCE: Uh-huh.

SUB: I mean when Allah facilitates things, praise Allah, I mean--

UCE: Thank Allah.

SUB: Thank Allah.

UCE: Thank Allah. This is the most important thing. This is the most important thing. And it's good that your father is coming so will see your father.

SUB: This is what I can't wait for--

UCE: Thank Allah. Thank Allah. Is your mother there too in, er, Jordan?

SUB: My mother died, she died in, er, 2006.

UCE: May Allah have mercy on her, may Allah have mercy on her.

SUB: May Allah have mercy on her, died of cancer.

UCE: May Allah have mercy on her, there is no god but Allah.

SUB: So, like you say--

UCE: My father is deceased.

SUB: May Allah have mercy on him.

UCE: May Allah keep you. My mother lives in Egypt.

SUB: I mean that my father lives in Jordan--

UCE: Mmm.

SUB: --and doesn't come here except to visit me.... I have, I have another brother in *California*.

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: And he, I mean, is studying.

UCE: At the university, you mean.

SUB: In school. He will go to college next year, Allah willing.

UCE: So, how old is he? I mean, is he younger or older than you?

SUB: Er, he is younger than me, he is about 18 years old, but *he's different*, I mean, he did not think like....

UCE: It's not a prob- Look, er, Allah will open things for him and will make it easy for him, and He will change him if He wants. He is still young also, are you paying attention? He is still young.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Do you have one brother only?

SUB: Yeah, only one brother, I am the oldest.

UCE: Thank Allah. Thank Allah. Do you always call your father?

SUB: I always call my father.

UCE: It is very important--

SUB: He also talks to me always.

UCE: You know, this is very important. I call my mother... approximately, not daily, but approximately... I mean, approximately every--

SUB: If I don't call him, he will ask why I did not call.

UCE: Is he going to call, now it's cheap not expensive. Previously, a long time ago if you talked on the phone, they will break- Now it's normal, you can call them--

SUB: Yeah, true.

UCE: --for a quarter of an hour or something, it's not a problem.

SUB: And you can buy a card.

UCE: You buy the card, exactly. If you have [UI], it will tell that you have [UI].

SUB: Five.

UCE: You will talk to him for an hour.

UCE: I always get cards, I get them for two dollars. I can talk to my mother for about a half hour.

UCE: Do you like area where you live or you don't like it?

SUB: It's okay.

UCE: What do you think of the food?

SUB: [UI] it's good.

UCE: There are many Arabs in *Texas*.

SUB: It has many Arabs, but I am not the type that goes out a lot and moves, and I mean, [UI].

UCE: So you live alone?

SUB: I live alone.

UCE: Do you have friends or you don't have?

SUB: By Allah, I have many friends but, like you say, they are [UI] Mexicans.

UCE: This is very important.

SUB: Me.

UCE: You have to be--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Exactly, you have to be, er, er--

SUB: They consider me one of them. They consider me from this country.

UCE: That's very important. If you are alone, and alone, it will be a problem. It is normal, I mean that religion is how one treats others. Do you understand? And, er--

SUB: People...are normal people.

UCE: I mean, my Allah [UI], it's not a problem. It is also good that you have Mexicans, black, white, you have.... Thank Allah. Do you have many Arabs with you or not?

SUB: By Allah, I know one Egyptian guy, and I know Syrians, I know Lebanese, Jordanians, Palestinians--

UCE: But the Egyptian is a little different from all. [Laughs]

SUB: Yeah, but the Egyptian guy, I mean.... I met him recently, he came to our work place--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --he has been there for one week only, but he is a very respectable guy.

UCE: Respect--

SUB: A very respectable guy.

UCE: Do you have people, er?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: What do you do? Like a *store* or what?

SUB: It's a *store* with a gas station and a restaurant, but I am like you say--

UCE: An Arabic restaurant?

SUB: --on the *computers*.

UCE: --or an American restaurant?

SUB: It's an American restaurant...*Sonic*

UCE: *Sonic, yeah.*

SUB: *Sonic, and there is BBQ.*

UCE: *Does it have BBQ?*

SUB: *There is BBQ.*

UCE: *This is a different Sonic. [Laughs]*

SUB: *There is Sonic and BBQ, and dining place.*

UCE: *In the same place.*

SUB: *In the same place.*

UCE: *So why don't you open another thing, Laundromat, and er...[Laughs]*

SUB: *Like you say, it's I mean, I am like a manager there.*

UCE: *Okay.*

SUB: *I am running everything.*

UCE: *How many people work there? How many are we talking about?*

SUB: *About more than twenty, but like you say, I am their boss.*

UCE: *By Allah, that's good, good. And who is its owner? Who is...? Is he...?*

SUB: *The owner is Syrian.*

UCE: *Syrian?*

SUB: *The owner of the *building* is Syrian, but the owner of the store, the guy who is leasing the store is American.*

UCE: *My father's family is from Aleppo. My father's family, I mean his family, but he came from Egypt [UI].*

SUB: *My father and mother are from Jordan.*

UCE: *From Jordan? And when was the last time you went to Jordan?*

SUB: *I left, I was a young student, in 2006, and I didn't go back until now, and can't go back and I can't return.*

UCE: This means that you came here--

SUB: I came here alone [UI].

[Noise]

UCE: Why is that? What made you, forgive me, I mean that you are young, 19 years. I mean that came here, too, but I mean.... [UI] your mother died, may Allah have mercy on her.... You, did you travel after that or what?

SUB: *Yeah*, alone, I told my father I left because, like you say, I didn't want to study in Jordan.

UCE: Were you in high school?

SUB: I was in high school.

UCE: Did you finish high school?

SUB: I didn't finish. I tried to finish here--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --but there were some circumstances--

[Noise]

UCE: -- Yeah.

SUB: --like you say, the apartment where I lived was burned because of the *heater*, the *gas*--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --in *California*. So, I spoke with some friends here in *Texas*, I spoke with some Palestinians, and I told them that I am coming to you and to find work for me, and I don't want to study or anything.

UCE: And your father, er?

SUB: He was--

UCE: -- upset? or, er, you know the--

SUB: Er, he trusts me and he knows that I will do the right thing.

UCE: And does he know now what you work now and everything? Does he know what you do and such? Although, it's not...that you cannot finish or anything, or...?

SUB: Er, he wants me to fini- He wants me to finish but I am not thinking about it.

UCE: That you traveled when you were 17 years old?

SUB: I live alone, I mean, I mean.

UCE: Since--

SUB: It is in my nature to live alone.

UCE: Since seven- since--

SUB: Seventeen.

UCE: I mean, you came here in 2006, that means you have been here for three years.

SUB: About three years, about two and a half years.

[Noise]

UCE: And you got the *visa* without any problems? Visitor's *visa*?

SUB: I got the *visa* when I was 11 years old.

UCE: How?

SUB: The *visa* in Jordan is valid for five years.

UCE: Right.

SUB: My father had it for five years, I had it for five years, my sister had it for five years, and my brother had it for five years, but I never thought that I will come here.

UCE: Did you get the *visa* basically because of your father or because [UI]?

SUB: He got it when we were young and--

UCE: So he said, let's go finish--

SUB: And look, I mean, praise Allah, I mean.

UCE: Do you have a sister?

SUB: I have little sisters there, in, in Jordan.

UCE: In Jordan?

SUB: I will not bring them here.

UCE: No, no.

SUB: I seek refuge in Allah.

UCE: No-no-no-no, it is difficult here, here is difficult, here--

SUB: The country--

UCE: If you want one of the girls here...it's bad, I mean, it's not--

SUB: There is no--

UCE: --there are no morals, like I am telling you, I mean...I mean you might meet an American guy, and he might be *nice*... I mean not bad, and is from a good family, but at the same time.... What does your father do? What does he have?

SUB: My father works, er, like you say, a government job in Jordan.

UCE: Um-hum, for the government?

SUB: It's not in the government per se, I mean, like you say, er, engineering.

UCE: Is he an engineer?

SUB: An engineer.

UCE: Yeah, *okay*.

URE: *Some more coffee?*

UCE: *Please.*

URE: *Okay.*

UCE: *Man...that's a lot of a....*

URE: [UI]

UCE: *Yeah, sometimes, sometimes, they want....*

URE: *Yeah, I got you some more coffee.*

UCE: Thank you, sir. Don't take *gravy*, we don't eat this *gravy*, because this *gravy* is [UI].

SUB: Yeah [UI] yeah.

UCE Just don't, don't tell him anything, it's not a problem, just leave it. That's it. In the name of Allah, Most Gracious, Most Merciful. By Allah, we ate salt and bread. So your father is an engineer?

SUB: My father is an engineer.

UCE: By Allah, praise Allah, praise Allah. Do you have like, uncles and fami- Like...I mean, do you have people? I mean, do you have.... Your cousins, are they all there, and your aunt, and, er...?

SUB: I have relatives here, but I don't.

UCE: Here? In America?

SUB: In America, here in *Chicago*, er, in an area near by here, in *Irving*, some *50 miles from here*.

[Noise]

UCE: Yeah, it means it is close to you? Whom do you have?

SUB: Er, like you say my father's cousins, my father's cousins.

UCE: Have they been here for a while or what?

SUB: They have been here for 20 years, each one.

UCE: Twenty years?

SUB: Twenty years.

UCE: It means a life time?

SUB: A long life, yeah.

UCE: So, why don't you talk to them?

SUB: I mean...I try to be alone. I mean that I visit them sometimes.

UCE: *Yeah, yeah.*

SUB: *Yeah, but now I don't have the time. You know how it is here, one can't keep up with things.*

UCE: *Do you work everyday or what?*

SUB: *I work six days.*

UCE: *Six days a week? What day off do you have?*

SUB: *My day off is sometimes.*

UCE: *Does it vary or...?*

SUB: *Yeah, it varies, sometimes it's on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday.... I go to prayers sometimes.*

UCE: *Where is the mosque here?*

SUB: *There is a mosque here. It is close to here. [UI]*

UCE: *I am sorry...*

URE: *What's up?*

UCE: *Do you have any salt?*

URE: *Salt.*

UCE: *Oh, here it is. I am sorry.*

URE: *Yeah, the tables might be missing the, people take them home.*

UCE: *Oh that's fine, that's fine, thank you. Do you have a mosque in the area you live in or not? It is a small area?*

SUB: *It's a village.*

UCE: *But I hear that Dallas has, I mean, mosques, and so forth.*

SUB: *Yeah, Dallas has, but my problem is that since I came here, I don't have time, I don't have paper to move like other people, because the driver's license, you know?*

UCE: *It means that you have a driver's license?*

SUB: I don't have driver's license, no. Every time I get a ticket. Every time.

UCE: So how do they identify you?

SUB: Er, I have an Identity Card from *California*. I tell them that I have come from *California*.

UCE: Is it still with you?

SUB: Yeah, it's with me.

UCE: Is it good?

SUB: Er, it is *expired*.

UCE: Please, anybody gives you.... Don't get any tickets. I don't want anybody to stop you at all. Walk, like we say, walk straight. Do you drive fast or what? You look like the type who likes to--

SUB: By Allah--

UCE: --like to drive, er...

SUB: The problem is, I mean--

[OV]

UCE: I know how we Arabs like to drive fast.

SUB: They don't know how to drive here.

UCE: You know, in Egypt we drive like.... They don't know how to drive here.

SUB: None, no.

UCE: Even my mother came here one time to visit me long time ago--

SUB: She got scared and did not ride with you. [Laughs]

UCE: So...but there are not enough cars in comparison to Egypt. I mean the cars in Egypt, my mother drives better than people here.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Yeah. When did you get the last ticket?

SUB: Over two months.

UCE: Did you pay it?

SUB: I am paid, *yeah*.

UCE: How much is the fine?

SUB: Er, I got two tickets, *no license and speeding*.

UCE: Er--

SUB: They are about 500 dollars almost.

UCE: Oh my Allah, 500 dollars? You can buy a car for 500 dollars.

SUB: I paid 800 dollars *before*.

UCE: Who stops you? At the area you live in, or any other area?

SUB: The nice thing about it...the area I live in, the cops are my friends.

UCE: It means they are nice to you.

SUB: I am taking care of myself. I work at the gas station, and they come to gas up, and I give them *drinks, free...* from the machine, and they consider me, *nice guy*.

UCE: Er--

SUB: One of them was in Egypt, in the Army.

UCE: Yeah, in Egypt. Did he tell you that he went to Egypt?

SUB: No, he told me that he was in Egypt and that he loves Egypt.

UCE: The pyramids and all that nonsense.

SUB: Yeah and the photos and things.

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: Do you know where the check points in Egypt are?

[Noise]

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: Er--

UCE: In Alexandria or what?

SUB: The check point that exists between Israel, Egypt, and Saudi Arabia.

UCE: Yeah. When did he go to Egypt?

SUB: He has been three... He finished three years.

UCE: But they talk to you normally?

SUB: They talk to me normally. All of them. I, once I helped them a little bit, so...see what happened. I have some black friends. They deal, er, in area, I mean, just customers. They deal with, er, drugs.

UCE: Okay.

SUB: They ask me sometimes, "Have you seen something or anything or..." I helped them once. This way I established some sort of friendship between me and them...that I am a *straight* young man--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --and a good guy, you know. I... They trust...there is some kind of trust between me and them. I, I mean--

UCE: It means that to them, *you're a good guy*?

SUB: That, *I'm, I'm a friend*...as far as they are concerned.

UCE: Then who gives you tickets?

SUB: When I go out--

UCE: Do not get a ticket today. I don't want Allah to judge me for it, er, drive slowly so they do not stop you.

SUB: Drive slowly.

UCE: Do, do they search you?

SUB: No, they never did.

UCE: Do they ask you where you are from or anything?

SUB: Er, I tell them, "*I am a student, [noise] [UI] I came to study here--*"

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: Er, I tell them a *story*.

UCE: *Thank you.*

URE: *Your welcome guys. If you all need anything else let me know, okay?*

UCE: *Thank you.*

SUB: I give them a story--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --that my house burned down and I came here--

UCE: That's a fact.

SUB: They ask me, "Do you live alone? How old are you?" The good thing that what helped me in this, is that I am young.

UCE: Yeah...[UI].

SUB: Yeah, you... They look at the age, "Correct." I am not lying--

UCE: It means, *you're...er...*

SUB: "Where are you going?" I tell him, "I am going to the *store* to buy a few things." Like this, you know? Only. "*Okay, I'm gonna write you a ticket and I want you to go to the DMV to get your license.*" "*Okay I appreciate it, I will go but I am waiting for my lawyer [UI].*"

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: *He got some problems...so, he say, "Okay, just pay the ticket and be careful, go wherever you want, go back to home and drive slowly."* Until now, no cop has stopped, a son of a bastard.

UCE: But they give you a *ticket* immediately.

SUB: They give a *ticket* immediately.

UCE: They are sons of--

SUB: You come here to visit...not from this area, they will rip you of your money.

UCE: It means taxes?

SUB: Taxes. It makes them happy.

UCE: And what do you think of the owner of the store whom you work with? Is he good? What time do you go to work everyday?

SUB: I work, I mean from...sometimes from eleven to ten...from ten to ten, eleven hours, twelve hours daily.

UCE: Daily.

SUB: Daily.

UCE: So if you went at one or two o'clock, will you stay till ten [UI] [noise]

SUB: [UI] hours.

UCE: Is he good with you? The owner of the store? *Nice?*

SUB: Sometimes, I mean. Er, what is hindering me is the lack of papers. He pays me in *cash--*

UCE: Er--

SUB: There are neither taxes nor insurance. I work secretly [UI]...through the Syrian boss who was the *manager*, he would put in a good word for me and such, I will work for cash until...I told him, "Until I get the papers [UI] Allah willing." So he said, "*Okay*, there is not a problem."

UCE: Is his treatment to you good?

SUB: Good, *yeah*.

UCE: Is he religious? I mean, is he fair, or does he know Allah?

SUB: Er--

UCE: You said that he is Syrian, he is Syrian.

SUB: It is, it is the *manager* who is Syrian. *Yeah*, the *manager* is religious, he is good. I mean that he doesn't drink--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --he just smokes.... He had an accident. I will tell you his story. He was, he was drinking a while back.

UCE: What was he drinking, liquor?

SUB: He was drinking liquor. So, he had an accident and almost died in the accident, three years ago. He almost died. He killed a guy in the accident. So, he started to have an issue with his back.... The guy is Syrian--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: So, what happened my dear, is that the guy quit drinking and became religious.

UCE: It means that Allah--

SUB: Allah enlightened him. But, I mean, this is what I know. Nobody else knows, even--

UCE: And is the owner of the store American or what?

SUB: The original owner of the store is Syrian, the owner of the *building*--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --but the one who is liable for the store, the rent, like you say, is American.

[Noise]

UCE: Hum. What are you going to do when your father comes? Are you going to a place? Are you going to do something?

SUB: We will not go anywhere.

UCE: Is he going to stay with you or...?

SUB: I took off, I took a vacation--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --so that I stay with him a week or six days, then I will take him to the airport, and then I will see what I am going to do.

UCE: Is he going to depart from *Dallas* to Jordan.

SUB: I do not know exactly. He is going to come from *California* to *Dallas*.... He went there to see my brother. He may go from here to *New York*, he *always* [noise] he

has to go to *New York*--

UCE: What is he going to do? Does he have friends or family or what?

SUB: He was, er.... He visited a Jordanian guy--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --he stayed with him for a while. Probably he did some work with him, to make some money and, er...and he will go...he will see my brother and give him some money also to help him, because is the one supports him for--

UCE: Your father?

SUB: --his studies. My father, *yeah*.

UCE: So that means your father is good, that he spends, I mean--

SUB: Thank Allah.

UCE: Thank Allah.

SUB: Thank Allah. Yeah, he is good. He has, I mean.... He built a small house in Jordan--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --he was staying with my sisters. He is married to a second wife.

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: [UI], I mean, so that, er--

UCE: Your sister.

SUB: --and I mean the girl is alright, she is respectable--

UCE: Fair, I mean...of course--

SUB: --she can take care of my sisters...and the girl is good...respectable.

UCE: But your father is alone, isn't it so? He is coming alone?

SUB: Here?

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: He is coming alone.

UCE: Do you play sports or...? What do you play?

SUB: I have. I haven't played in a while, but I have a *gym*, er, *machine*--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: It is the one that [UI].

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: It has, like you say, [UI] *200 pounds*. I used to work out everyday, but I went down a little. I was not working out because I do not have time, and my father is coming. I have, like a *punching bag*...I mean that I...play sports in the house... to work, I mean, to home--

[Noise]

UCE: Er, long time ago, long time ago I used to play in Egypt. Have you heard about the hammer? And the ball?

SUB: The shotput?

UCE: Yeah, you throw it [UI]. I play--

[Noise]

SUB: Do you throw it long distances?

UCE: Just regular. We used to go, in summer... We used to play, er... Have you been to Egypt before?

SUB: Er, no.

UCE: Er--

SUB: I visited Saudi Arabia. I went for Minor pilgrimage.

UCE: Minor pilgrimage?

SUB: When I was young, it was in the year... I don't remember, I was little I mean. It was 97, 97, 98...a long time ago, I was very young. We all went, the whole family went; I, my brother, my little sister, and, er, and my father--

UCE: [UI]

SUB: --and, er--

UCE: That's good.

SUB: Of course, thank Allah.

UCE: Your dad performed pilgrimage, of course, thank Allah?

SUB: My father [UI]

UCE: May Allah make it easy. It will be hot today. It is going to be hot, er, the weather will be--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: They say it is in the 90's.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Summer is usually tough here.

SUB: It is very tough here. Where are you from? [OV]

UCE: More than-- I am from, er, *Tennessee*--

SUB: *Tennessee*?

UCE: From *Tennessee*, but I mean, er, I go here and there...I work in the car business. We export cars, we even send cars to, er, Saudi Arabia, to Iraq, cars to, it depends, to Lebanon.

SUB: Praise Allah, it is very good.

UCE: Thank Allah.

SUB: I have a cousin who works with in the car business.

UCE: Where?

SUB: In *Chicago*, his name is--

UCE: In exports too, or--?

SUB: *Yeah*, in exports. He goes to *auction* and--

UCE: To the *auction*.... Look.

SUB: He has been here, I mean 25 years doing this.

UCE: It means he is American, I mean. We speak about.... Do you see that car outside, that *BMW*?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: It is a 750, right? 750, yeah.

SUB: Yeah?

UCE: It's a 206 model, er, 206. Let's say, for example, that it has 40,000 miles on it. How much do you think it is?

SUB: A lot, [laughs] *for me*. Maybe [UI] for a cheap price.

[Noise]

UCE: I know someone who went and bought it from BMW itself, the year 2006. He left the 750 *IL*... It has everything, I mean.

SUB: Good.

UCE: It has the *warranty*. He brought it for 59, *fifty nine*. [Noise]. I, *on a good day*, I will get it for you for 36, 34--

SUB: Allah willing.

UCE: Are you paying attention? The problem with the cars now, it is slow.

SUB: Nobody is buying.

UCE: Nobody is buying.

SUB: Nobody is buying.

UCE: Look, the cars go to the *auction*, like you say, [UI]. The cars go back and forth, and, er, you go to the *bid*. No one does a *bid* because you would buy a car like this, and afterwards it is not--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: The good cars that are running now, are, er, *Toyota*, er, *Nissan*.... What car do you have?

SUB: *Honda*.

UCE: *Honda* is good. *Honda*, for your information... you add a thousand dollars on a *Honda* now, *automatic*, just because it's a *Honda*. Are you paying attention? Only because it is a *Honda*.

SUB: Um-hum.

UCE: And when the gas is four dollars and I don't know what--

SUB: I seek refuge from Allah--

UCE: --and you put on *Honda* and *Toyota*, exactly two thousand dollars. Those cars, *Expedition* and the *Fords*, nobody approaches--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: --they are not moving.

SUB: I was, I, like you say, I came to this country, I didn't, I didn't have luck with cars, like you say. I would buy a car--

UCE: Go ahead, my dear.

SUB: --and it will break down. I would pay all my money, that worked for, on the car.

UCE: So that they run afterwards.

SUB: After one month-- [OV]

UCE: Don't ever put--

SUB:--[UI]

UCE: Don't ever put money on--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: [Cough] But the *Honda* is good, the *Honda* runs, *Honda* can run for 200,000 miles--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: --yeah, no problem, I mean. But take good care of it, change oil, water and all of that stuff, but er--

SUB: I bought a *Ford Taurus* in *California*.... When I came, I came here driving. I came here driving from *California*, three thousand miles.

UCE: How long did it take you, several days?

SUB: It took 28 hours, driving *straight*. It took me two days.

UCE: Twenty eight hours?

[Noise]

SUB: *Yeah*. So what happened, my dear sir, is I came here to *Texas*--

UCE: *Yeah*.

SUB: --[UI] that I knew that it will, it will not last, so I sold it for a cheap price. The month I sold it, the car broke down, the *engine* broke down.

UCE: Thank Allah that you are lucky. Allah watched over you that you--

SUB: I bought another car, at the same time...two months later, the car was broke down. I repaired it--

UCE: What type of a car? What car?

SUB: *Mazda*.

UCE: *Mazda* now is not bad, the new is not bad, but *Ford*, long time ago...I mean you say it is *Taurus*, there is no *Taurus* now, no more. There is the *Focus* and such. They are not bad cars--

SUB: Not bad.

UCE: --but, I am telling you, if I am living here in... do whatever you want. If you want to buy a car, there is the *Ford Focus*, and there is the, er, *Camry*, or the *Honda Accord*, or even the *Civic*. You will pay a thousand dollars extra, a thousand, but you know that this *Honda* will stay with you for three to four years. What's on top... the, er, the other one... you do not know what is going to happen, I mean, so why would you blame anyone who [UI], I mean, everybody, everybody now.... Surely, surely your cousin is having a hard time with cars. Maybe it is not, er--

SUB: I saw, I mean...when I went to him...I visited him. He has one of those big winches which they tow cars with--

UCE: You mean a *truck*.

SUB: I, big *truck*. He brings cars, I mean Allah willing, very nice and cheap. You know how?

UCE: I always go to *Atlanta*, and I have a place like this that I go to in *Atlanta*, and a good *auction* there. It has approximately a million cars, and I do not know what. And you might know *dealers* and know--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: --if, for example, I need, for example, I need *Honda*, about 30 *Honda* guys will come. They will tell you, "I have such and the price is so and so." So, it is good, I mean... But if you don't know the *auction* and bidding at the same time, it will be difficult for you, because you would find the car is running and everything, but you would not know hundred percent, exactly. There are people who are sons of, they put oil, er...

[Noise]

SUB: Yeah, right.

UCE: *Heavy oil*, are you paying attention?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: And the car will look like it is good, but after one or two months, it stops.

SUB: It stops.

UCE: Did you eat, thank Allah?

SUB: Thank Allah.

UCE: Let us smoke a cigarette...and I am staying at the hotel here. Do you watch anything? Do you have anything? Do you have a *Dish*?

SUB: I have a generic TV.

UCE: Don't you have a *Dish* or anything?

SUB: No, I do not care much, I mean, about the *Dish*. I was busy *all the time on the*, er, *internet* and the *computer*. I mean that I spend all my time on the *internet*, er, the, er, I do not have--

UCE: I got to tell you. Let us get out, let us walk. Where is the? Do you have a cigarette or not?

SUB: Yes I have, thank Allah.

[Noise]

UCE: No, I insist, my dear, I insist, I insist. I insist, my dear.

[Noise]

SUB: [UI]

UCE: I am Egyptian, my dear, I insist.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Do you want anything else?

[Noise]

SUB: [UI]

UCE: I insist, my dear, leave it to Allah. [UI]

URC: *Hey...doing good. How are you?*

UCE: *Can I leave the tip here or...?*

URC: *Either way.*

UCE: *I will leave it here.*

URC: *Okay.*

UCE: *Yeah, just leave a five.*

URC: *Just leave a five? Here you go...10.36.*

UCE: *Thank you.*

URC: *Uh-huh.*

UCE: *Waiter was a good man.*

URC: *Thank you all. Have a good time.*

UCE: *Thank you. Do you have a, er? Okay. Look at all that--*

SUB: We have things like this in our store.

UCE: In the store?

SUB: In the store [UI].

UCE: Uh-huh. [UI]
[Noise]

SUB: I have this car.

UCE: Where?

SUB: This black one. [UI]

UCE: Uh, it is not bad.

SUB: It has many problems.

UCE: What is the problem with it?

SUB: Er, I bought it recently, and the *engine* has a problem.

UCE: What is wrong with it?

SUB: Er--

UCE: What is wrong with the *engine*?

SUB: Er, er, it is dead. I have [UI]--

UCE: That is not good, not good.

SUB: Uh-huh, one guy fixed it for me, an Arab guy. Like you say, I spent a lot of money on it, and is still not good.

UCE: So, why didn't you watch out for the Arab guy?

SUB: The Arab, I mean you know, he wants money, as you know.

UCE: Where is he from?

SUB: Jordanian Palestinian.

UCE: He is supposed to, I mean, I mean, supposed to take care of you.
[OV]

SUB: He is supposed to be [OV] [UI].

[Noise]

UCE: He should take care of you and give you, er--

SUB: True.

UCE: --should give you, er... There is no god but Allah, see--

SUB: It is not a problem, I mean if a person [OV] [UI].

UCE: Like I told you, religion is how you treat others, and religion, er, are you paying attention? These guys who cheat others will have their judgment one of these days.

SUB: I do not care about money. It will stay in this world.

UCE: What is money? Is there anybody who will take anything with him?

SUB: True, correct, except the, er, except the--

UCE: None, you are in dust and that is it.

[Noise]

SUB: [UI]

UCE: None, it is over.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Er, all these people and luxury...nothing at all.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: People here, exactly, money.

SUB: People who strive... they are unaware of what will happen to them.

UCE: Exactly.

SUB: People, like you say.

UCE: True. I brought a *Toyota* car. But *Toyota* is not bad.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: *Toyota Avalon, Avalon, Avalon* [UI]. It is not bad, it will go with you 2000 [UI].

SUB: No, [UI] a lot, but I--

UCE: *Yeah*, look...are you going to get another car?

SUB: After a while, *yeah*, Allah willing.

UCE: Oh dear! I want to sleep.

UF: *Hey guys, how are you doing?*

UCE: *How are you?*

UF: *Doing well. So I was told...talking to you.*

[Noise]

UCE: If you want to play sports here--

SUB: I play with my friends [UI].

UCE: Are you fast?

SUB: Very fast.

UCE: Do you run, I mean?

SUB: I can run--

UCE: [UI] nobody can catch you?

SUB: Nobody can catch up with me. [Laughs]

UCE: [Laughs] [Coughs]

SUB: They are all behind me.

UCE: I cannot run, but if I catch you--

SUB: [Laughs] You will be finished, huh?

UCE: I am telling you as you saying.

SUB: [Laughs] Correct.

UCE: The situation in Egypt is awful. In Egypt.

SUB: By Allah, all of them.

UCE: Awful.

SUB: In Jordan--

[OV]

UCE: How is it in Jordan?

SUB: Awful.

UCE: I know many people. I mean, the situation is awful.

SUB: All of them. Wherever you go there, now...in the region--

UCE: In Cairo, I used to live in Cairo also.

SUB: You lived in Cairo.

UCE: And the people.... There is not.... Look, please, please!

SUB: [UI]

UCE: There is not. I have an important matter. I will tell you something. That man, Hosni, er, what to tell you.... Please come in, please come in. Don't you need to go to the restroom?

SUB: [UI]

UCE: This Hosni is a son of a--

SUB: A traitor?

UCE: He is even more than a traitor.

SUB: All of them.

UCE: People, people don't even know how--

SUB: All of them.

UCE: People do not even know how to--

SUB: Yeah. Even our king, even ours, this one Abdullah.

UCE: This one Abdullah, is he American or English or...? This Abdullah is just--

SUB: His mother is British.

UCE: I mean this Abdullah is not, er, are you cold? Hot?

SUB: No, I am good.

UCE: All is good?

SUB: Thank Allah.

UCE: I do not even know if we can smoke or not, but that is not important.

UCE: Do you want tea?

SUB: May Allah keep you, nothing.

UCE: Don't you want to drink tea?

SUB: May Allah keep you.

UCE: Come on, drink tea.

SUB: Okay, I will drink tea.

UCE: Let us just see this...I do not know about, er--

SUB: Have you been for a long time in this country?

UCE: I have been for a while, yeah. I have been for a long while.

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: I have residency, I was married too; but I got divorced, thank Allah.

SUB: Thank Allah.

UCE: I married a woman, she told me that she is going to convert to Islam and everything--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: --and, I mean I said let's do it...thank Allah and everything, and after that... Do

not... Look, do not marry anybody from *Mississippi*.

SUB: Oh!

UCE: Those from *Mississippi* are sons of a... Do not marry a woman from *Mississippi*.

SUB: She killed you, huh?

UCE: Do not marry anybody from *Mississippi*. To marry a Mexican is okay, but do not marry a woman from *Mississippi*...they are sons of a--

SUB: [UI] married?

UCE: --and I remained married, that is why I am talking about the card, because I went through the same system, that is why I am telling you that it is very important that you have to ask her, I mean for example, when they ask her, that she has to put the--

SUB: The *story*, yeah.

UCE: --the *story*, I mean. It is very important, I mean the story has to be--

SUB: [OV] [UI]

UCE: --it is very important that she...so that... Because if they see, they are sons of a-- the sons of- asked my wife back in the day which side of the bed does he sleep on. Does he sleep on the left or on the right. "*What side?*" I swear to Allah, they asked her, "*What side?*" I was not there. She was alone.

SUB: She was alone.

UCE: She was alone, and I do not know about the system, this system, but I know a little. They asked her, "Does he sleep on the right or on the..." He asked her, er, "What color is his tooth brush?" If you are married, she will know if you sleep on the right or on the left.

SUB: Strange questions.

UCE: Strange questions. But he will ask, I mean, "Does he sleep on the *right* or *left*?" So, you say, "*Right*."

SUB: Yes.

UCE: --and she has to say, "*Right*." But if you say, "I am on the *right*." And she says, "On the *left*." Oh! They are sons of a--

SUB: Did they ask you the same questions or you?

[OV]

UCE: They asked me the same questions, same questions. Therefore, when you go, your story has to be hundred percent.

SUB: Hundred percent.

UCE: It is possible that they will ask her the same questions. I do not know, they might ask her some other things.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Are you paying attention? When I went to, er... Where did I go to? I do not remember, I swear by the Prophet, if it was in *Atlanta* or where, but it was long time ago. But, I mean, I do not have the *citizenship* I have *residency status*. I will never ever get the citizenship. But when you go with her...where is it here? Is there a place here in *Dallas*, or where?

SUB: Er, to the *Immigration*?

UCE: Yeah. I mean is there like--

SUB: I think in *Dallas*, I think in Dallas. I have not been there yet, my file has not gone to *immigration* yet.

UCE: You have to send it. It depends. I will tell you something--

SUB: Not a problem.

UCE: Er, even if you are married or not. If you are married or not.... Do not.... I mean, are you paying attention? You went to the court and everything. Correct? It means that you have a marriage certificate.

SUB: I got married and I have *license marriage*.

UCE: What type of residency status do you have now?

SUB: My residency status... I do not have, I do not have anything.

UCE: That means you have Allah. You have Allah.

SUB: Thank Allah.

UCE: That is why I tell you what... Nobody is to stop... do not be stop- do not, do not

get tickets. Do not get anything so you do not become suspicious, are you paying attention? Yes, you can have friends and everything but at the same time.... Do you want sugar?

SUB: *Yeah.*

UCE: I will tell you something. I want to tell you something. As I told you, I do not know anything about you. What I know is that I come and meet you and ask you, like we say in Egyptian, what are you all about? Tell me, what do you want?

SUB: About--

UCE: Whatever you want to tell me--

SUB: [OV] [UI]

UCE: I and you together... I said, I... and I feel... and I am telling you that we do not know each other, but I feel that you are, I mean--

SUB: May Allah keep you.

UCE: May Allah keep you, [UI].

SUB: May Allah keep you and give you long life.

UCE: I mean you.

SUB: You came from a place far away for this, I mean--

UCE: I just do not want anybody there in the, er, in the, the [UI]. There is no need... and we speak Arabic and you know how they are sons--

SUB: No, correct.

UCE: Yeah, oh dear!

SUB: Yeah, correct.

UCE: So, there is not need. So, I am only, I mean.... We are here together, and I do not want, er--

SUB: I told you, er, I, since a long time--

UCE: Tell me.

SUB: Since my mother died, I mean long time ago. I do not like the situation in the, in

the whole world, like you say.

UCE: *Whatever*, correct, I am following.

SUB: Er, like you say, I read many stories.... I mean thank Allah, but I am not telling you I am very educated religiously. I am educated, I mean, like you say, in the end of the world, stories of, like you say, the end of, the end of the world, like you say, you know what I mean?

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: What I lack is...I am not going to lie to you, I am not very well educated in the Qur'an. I do not consider myself--

UCE: Do you go to classes or anything?

SUB: I was, I was with the Muslim Brotherhood for a while in Jordan, the Muslim Brotherhood, when I was little.

UCE: Hum.

SUB: I used to memorize Qur'an, and I used to take many lessons in religion, and other things, but I forgot everything. I just do not remember. I mean that I was little when I and some circumstances happened in the family.

UCE: Okay, okay, it is not a problem. I am following, I am following. Er, do you go to any lessons now or?

SUB: Now I am all by myself. If I want things, the *internet* will help, I mean--

UCE: I do not want.... Let me tell you one thing, I do not want you to go, do not go to anything now, that has anything suspicious--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: I mean to go, are you paying attention? Anywhere you go and it has something religious--

SUB: Yeah, correct. I, I [OV] [UI]

UCE: They are monitoring it.

SUB: I, I--

UCE: I mean, they are monitoring it.

SUB: --I keep it to myself. If I want something, I go and buy a book.

UCE: Exactly.

SUB: You know?

UCE: Where would you get the book? On the *internet* or?

SUB: Er, all from the *computer*, but I get all from Saudi websites, er, from known Sheikhs, I mean from known things, authentic things not anything--

UCE Yeah.

SUB: --or, I mean. You know, there are alterations now.

UCE: Okay, I am with you, but I mean, why do I tell that? Because if you go any place.... I put only two sugars, I do not know, do you want more sugar or?

SUB: No, fine.

UCE: There is *sweet* and *low* here, I do not know--

SUB: I mean, like you say I--

UCE: Wait, I will get you, er, something--

SUB: I met the brothers on the *computer*, too.

UCE: Who? Which brothers?

SUB: Those, through whom I and you have met.

UCE: Yes.

SUB: I mean, all my life like you say.... I am afraid we may cause a problem or anything smoking here.

UCE: We will put on it a, er, we will do, er--

SUB: If there is a [UI] device.

UCE: Are they going to bring the device to the room too?

SUB: *Yeah*, I believe so, *yeah*. [UI] *Yeah*, they will bring one.

UCE: This is for fire, right?

SUB: This is for fire, but maybe...yeah, maybe smoke is normal, correct.

UCE: Wait, [UI] hang on with me. [UI] Look, they do not put on it. They always put the logo, which is *no smoking*.

SUB: Yeah, correct. Maybe--

UCE: Do you see anything?

SUB: Maybe, no I do not see. Maybe it is for fire.

UCE: Okay, say fire.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Okay, Allah is with us. Look, if they come, I do not know you. [Laughs] Only you will run.

SUB: [Laughs]

UCE: Here you go. I will go from the fourth floor to the second floor. What do you think of the brother?

SUB: The brother who is with me? The one who [OV] [UI]?

UCE: Yeah, this one, yeah.

SUB: By Allah, my brother, I have to tell you the truth, until now, until today, until I met you, I was afraid. I will tell you about something that happened with my father. He spoke with me. He knows how I think.

UCE: Your father?

SUB: My father, I will tell you some things about him. My father had finished from Iraq--

UCE: Finished?

SUB: He was during Saddam's era, he finished Engineering in Iraq--

UCE: In the university, you mean?

SUB: In the Ba'th party.

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: You know? So what happened, my dear sir, is that he knows about these things.
You know?

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: I had an uncle in Iraq also.

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: His name was Ibrahim.

UCE: How long did he live in Iraq? You mean that your father was in the university in Iraq.

SUB: In Iraq.

UCE: And he lived several years.

SUB: Yeah correct. And he was with Ba'th party for a while, but now, you know, Saddam is gone, and the, er, is gone. So, like you say, my uncle was, I mean, [UI], er, was, like you say, a president of a university there.

UCE: In Iraq?

SUB: In the Ba'th party.

UCE: In Baghdad?

SUB: In Baghdad.

UCE: That is a big position, I mean.

SUB: Yeah, he was but now he does not have a name, because he died long time ago.

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: So one time I talked to him about these things, jihad and things, you know?

UCE: To your uncle?

SUB: To my father.

UCE: Your father, yeah.

SUB: But my father is the type who gets scared, you know?

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: I mean, he might accept it for himself, I mean...maybe because he is old in age and that is why he did not think about it--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: But it is, I mean, as for me, this will be my path, I mean, forever, you know? I know that it has to be--

UCE: But I have to tell you something. You have to be sure of that first, correct?

SUB: Correct.

UCE: I mean you must. And I will tell you several- if we are going to meet each other again and things, I do not want you, I mean, you, yourself must be sure within your heart--

SUB: I...

UCE: --nobody is.

SUB: I...

UCE: --I will not be ab-, I mean. One would say, yeah, this one will do, I do not what, and this one went to, I do not know...to a place. No, it is you. I mean, it has to be you, yourself, to be sure of this.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Right or wrong? It is not me, not the brother, and not...just continue, continue, [UI].

SUB: Each one writes, er--

UCE: One will meet what was destined for him.

SUB: Correct, and the person also... I mean that Allah judges the intentions, correct?

UCE: Correct.

SUB: So whatever I do, if it is good for me, Allah will, I mean, make me succeed, or if it is evil for me, He won't, I mean Allah will.... I mean, like you say--

UCE: You wish, and I wish, but Allah will do whatever he wishes, correct?

SUB: Correct.

UCE: This is the way it is, this is the way it is.
[OV]

SUB: [UI] it is how [UI], Allah willing.

UCE: Okay, tell me about your father's story. What is your father's story? What did you tell him?

SUB: Er--

UCE: I mean, you told your father. When did you tell him?

SUB: I told him long time ago, he knows, but I hinted to him--

UCE: That you, you want--

SUB: --that I want...I mean that... I am with you, I did not clarify a lot to him--

UCE: Uh-huh.

SUB: But he... I told him, Father, I, I mean is the only person who knew about this matter... my mother at her death bed. You know?

UCE: May Allah have mercy on her.

SUB: --and I did not tell anybody at all, I mean. When, I mean, when I prayed the relevant prayer--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --and when I came to this country, I came for the purpose which is jihad for the sake of Allah.

UCE: Thank Allah.

SUB: Because like you say, how the children in Palestine how they were killed in Gaza.

UCE: Look--

SUB: I mean--

UCE: Look, this is not unjust. This is not an accusation. This is, er, I mean, [sigh] er, it was 500, more than 490--

SUB: Many, more than that. [OV] [UI]

UCE: This is this time only. Look at the other previous times.

SUB: Other than those who they killed with phosphorous, with the internationally prohibited weapons, and with the ones whom they tortured and died and nobody knew about them. And those who died under the rubble, and those they captured. But there is no... All the news that you watch on television are lies, there is not....

UCE: This is what we know. But look, but I know, there are things of course. There are people there...and our people.... Go ahead, go ahead.

SUB: It is not a problem.

UCE: So, what did your father say to you?

SUB: My father is coming, Allah willing. I will try to open the subject again with him, but that, between me and my Allah, I want him to be pleased with me. I do not want him one of these days to be upset with me that--

UCE: Your father.

SUB: --I differed with him. So, I will, I will seek his permission. I will present it in a way... I mean if I see that he is not very much for it, I will leave him alone, because I mean--

UCE: It is in your heart.

SUB: --that this thing is in my heart, you know, I mean?

UCE: I will tell you something.

SUB: This thing is my religion--

UCE: I will tell you something.

SUB: --because I [UI].

UCE: Jihad has, I mean it has many things you can do, of course--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: --and, er--

SUB: To sacrifice in person is the best type of jihad.

UCE: I mean that this is the, the *top*, I mean.

SUB: I mean who wants better than being a companion to our Messenger may Allah bless him.

UCE: Correct, what you say is a thousand percent.

SUB: --and I...

UCE: But what, what I want to say about your father's story is mercy, of course... and there must be--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: --and, and of course respect--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: and, the, the...compassion.

SUB: I respect him, I mean.

UCE: This is very important of course, in Islam, and it is, it is.... So, if you are going to tell him--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Does he, does he know that you came here, to this country for this purpose? Or does he think that you came here for studying?

SUB: Er, truthfully I mean, when I.... Truthfully I came to this country for this purpose, but I didn't tell him when I left from there.

UCE: What did you tell him?

SUB: I told him that I want to leave Jordan--

UCE: But--

SUB: --that I do not want to study. I do not want to be in Jordan.

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: That I am suffocating here. I mean, something like this--

UCE: And you are upset about your mother, of course, and everything.

SUB: But also, before my mother died, I mean this was...like you say, it was an instinct in me, I mean I don't know if the guys told you, I dreamt of the Messenger, may Allah bless him, before.

UCE: You dreamt of the Messenger?

SUB: I was nearly--

UCE: May Allah bless him.

SUB: --may Allah bless him. I remember when I went to Ka'aba during Minor pilgrimage, I said a prayer...I mean do not remember the prayer exactly, but I prayed that I would have, er, I mean, er, I mean--

UCE: A goal?

SUB: I mean a goal...you know, so, what happened, my dear sir, is that I dreamt about the Messenger, that I was fighting along his side. I loved stories like you say, about battles, you know--

UCE: [Coughs]

SUB: --with the Messenger, may Allah bless him--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: Bader Battle and Uhud Battle. Uhud Battle and Bader Battle, er--

UCE: We learned those things long time ago at schools, at schools, at schools, when [UI].

SUB: They are not there now, not there, they removed it from the books over there, in Jordan.

UCE: No. Also in Egypt, of course there is, there is...there is like the.... When you go to school. I remember long time ago that we had religion--

SUB: Correct. Now--

UCE: The Muslims had to go, the Muslims. We had to learn all these things.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Now there are none of these things. There are none in Jordan.

SUB: Now they removed it from the.... When Abdullah came--

UCE: He removed it.

SUB: --and that Minister of Education whom they appointed recently--

UCE: But this is history even.

SUB: This is history.

UCE: This is history, even, this is history.

SUB: Correct, history.

UCE: There is no god but Allah.

SUB: Now they say these are things, like you say, terrorists...like they call it.

UCE: Terrorists? How? This is history.

SUB: And jihad for the sake of Allah is now terrorism, you know?

UCE: This is exactly...when we see this, we are, are more oppressive than the, the people here...I will tell you why...the rulers who are there--

SUB: The rulers.

UCE: --because here...the crusaders and the wars and everything...this is history which exists and they learn it but for us, to learn our history, that is forbidden, that is terrorism.

SUB: Correct, correct, and all of this was mentioned in the Qur'an. I mean the Romans will come at us another time, and we will win over them a third time, Allah willing, it will come soon, you know?

UCE: It is coming with Allah's permission.

SUB: It is coming, and remember it was mentioned in the Qur'an that Iraq will be invaded by the Romans before, you know how?

UCE: But I want to tell you something, you have to be *smart*, being smart is a must. Are you paying attention? I mean that you must, er, the goal and everything I am with you hundred percent, but you have to be *smart*, are you paying attention? Do not do anything, are you paying attention?

SUB: Anything?

UCE: I mean that you, and so--

SUB: Correct, I am now disguised, I mean--

UCE: You know, when you say, "I, my brother and everything," is there anybody else you know other than our brother--

SUB: No.

UCE: --on the *internet*?

SUB: No, I was.

UCE: Do you have people or anything that you talk to them about this or anything?

SUB: No, I, look, we used to talk, I, I met a few guys--

UCE: How did you meet them?

SUB: I met him, sir, I was on a jihadist website, a jihadist website, I entered jihadist websites--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --which specialize in al-Qaeda, Usama Bin Laden, the Sheikh--

UCE: Okay.

SUB: And I mean, like you say, I used to put subjects, bring pictures, open the, the things that, that take place, I mean, as you know, like creating subjects and things, and that... I always looked for, I mean... I mean that my goal since I left Jordan, I, like you say, I am fascinated with Sheikh Usama. I mean--

UCE: He is still there, he is still there, and is in a good condition.

SUB: I, my life's goal now is to meet him, and join his army. Because, like you say there is the Greatest Forthcoming Campaign, it's nearing. I do not know if it came already, I do not know if you know about it.

UCE: Pay attention, Usama is like, I mean, he is only one person.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Are you paying attention?

SUB: Correct.

UCE: And do not, do not put all the *attention* on--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: --correct? This is very important. There are many things that happen.

SUB: Like this, because it is--

UCE: Other--

SUB: Correct. I do not know about anything.

UCE: Do you understand me?

SUB: Like a [UI], you know?

UCE: Exactly, exactly.

SUB: And what happened, my dear sir, is that something that was mentioned, which our Messenger, may Allah bless him, "There are those who come out of the Khorasan country, their flags are black and on it is written there is no god but Allah, and Muhammad is his Messenger of Allah."

UCE: Black flags--

SUB: They have--

UCE: --it is very important. Exactly.

SUB: They came out, I mean. I, I read about these things, I mean, a while back before they came out, you know? I read the siege of the Iraq before it happened.

UCE: I will tell you one thing. So, you met him this way? Or was there, I mean, how?

SUB: What happened, what happened that there was another brother, different from the one I am with now, he sent me a message, I received the letter and I thought that someone is being fooling around or something, and I did not believe him--

UCE: Exactly, pay attention, this is very important.

SUB: Yeah. So I did not take it. So I said that I will try it with caution, I mean, I will see how the style is, the method--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --the brother was, I mean he was very serious, no playing, no joking, and no- I mean the method, I mean the communication method, I mean... You can, you know, not anybody can do this, you know, but it was not a joke, you know?

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --so, what happened my dear friend, is that he introduced me to the brother, through whom I was introduced to you--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --they taught me how to prepare the messages, the communication, the communication method on the *internet*. It was a very easy method--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --er, so...we [UI].

UCE: I want to tell you, I am not.... *Internet*...I mean that I do not have anything to do with these things. I will tell you one thing and I want to make sure of this. I mean I laugh and you know me, and you know that I am Egyptian, and er, even you will find me telling you a joke [noise] [UI], and, are you paying attention? But this is very important. What is it? I will tell you. When I tell you about being smart, if anybody investigates me or anything, I am--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: I am a *business* man, I am a *business* man, are you paying attention? I pay taxes, I have residency status, are you paying attention? And if somebody asks me, "Why don't you have citizenship?" Tell him, "I *applied*." Are you paying attention? "I *applied*...this is just...it's hard for Arabs to get it now...it's hard but I *applied*." Yeah, if anybody asks me, "Do you want to be an American?" "Yeah." It is very important.

SUB: Yes, Correct.

UCE: Are you paying attention?

SUB: Not [UI].

UCE: --and, er, [clears throat] at the same time, I am very proud of you, and, er, proud to meet you and everything. But pay attention, we.... Our brother and everything is okay, not a problem, but are there other people? Or is this--

SUB: No, there is not.

UCE: --because we don't want, are you paying attention? We were--

SUB: What happened, my dear sir, is when I met this group--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --I told them that I [UI] the group, you know?

UCE: Who did you tell?

SUB: Those through whom you and I--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --so, it is like you say that I left all these websites I used to enter, I left everything. I even left my new *e-mail*, Allah forbids, just in case there is surveillance or any type of er--

UCE: Be careful, they are sons of a.... You know the Intelligence here and the bad stuff and--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Sons of, sons of a bitch.

SUB: There is the Intelligence and there are traitors, too.

UCE: Of course, of course.

SUB: They are like...you can't recognize them.

UCE: Of course, of course.

SUB: --that's why I was scared today. And what happened the other day is that there was a guy named 'Umar, a Pakistani. My father told me on the phone, he was saying to me that, er--

UCE: 'Umar?

SUB: 'Umar.

UCE: Do you know him or?

SUB: I do not know him. My father asked a question on the phone. He asked me, "Do you know somebody named 'Umar, a Pakistani?"

UCE: Your father asked that?

SUB: My father asked me that, yeah, I told him why? What happened? He told me that someone called me, and asked me what day I am traveling, where I am going? He

appears to want...he lives with a Jordanian guy, and another, er, another Jordanian guy who traveled. And he is not sure if this Pakistani is confused regarding asking about this Jordanian or about my father. He appears to be confused. What I thought...I thought, uh-huh, could it be... I mean, I, in my mind I said, uh-huh... I hope I did not [noise] stumble in, er, I mean--

UCE: And you never talked or anything at all, and he asked your father when he is coming and what he is going to do?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Did he ask anything about you?

SUB: No, he did not ask anything about me, but he appears to be, er, er, confused between my father and the other man.

UCE: Take this. Take this...I [UI]...'Umar the Pakistani?

SUB: He is not a Pakistani, but he told me that his accent is Pakistani, [noise] speaks some in Arabic and some in English, so his accent is not...I mean he is not, not Arab, the man who called, but he was asking him about his traveling date, and, "Where are you going, how long are you going to stay here?" So, I said, uh, what is this?

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: So I told him, "No father, I mean, I do not know anything--

UCE: And you really don't know him.

SUB: --and I really do not know him, but I do not know from where. He made me... So, I did not get on the *internet* for a week. If the brother told you that I was late replying to him, it is because like you say, I started to have some type of hesitation.

UCE: Of course.

SUB: I do not know what is coming my way, you know?

UCE: And this...this hesitation is very important, and I think.

SUB: I mean patience, you know. So I was patient enough time until...they gave me the answer. They give me the answer...and the answer remains. I take the time to make sure it is safe, that nobody is watching me, there is nobody, anything...

UCE: And...what do you have? Do you have a *computer*?

SUB: *A laptop.*

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: And this laptop belongs to a Mexican guy, he does not speak English, he only speaks Spanish, and like you say, I use it when I am alone, using a wireless network, and has, I have private protection. I know a lot about *computers*, so I have private protection, and...I delete all the *history* when I finish.

UCE: This *laptop*, er, does it belong to him?

SUB: It belongs to him.

UCE: Did you buy it from him? Or he gave it to you? Or you--

SUB: I use it sometimes, and it stays with him, when he goes...like you say, he works at a restaurant.

UCE: But do you trust him?

SUB: I trust him.

UCE: Do you trust him not take this *laptop* and go to the--

SUB: No, he does not know anything.

UCE: But I mean, if he used the *computer* and saw something or anything, he is going to--

SUB: He will know nothing.

UCE: I mean, you delete every--

SUB: *Delete, remove, automatic...*and the *computer* is like...it just came from the factory.

UCE: I, I will tell you, I do not have anything to do with the--

SUB: I, I mean, praise Allah, I mean with the *computer*. I have sat down a lot with people who know about the *computer* and I laughed at them. They do not know anything.

UCE: Are there any other people you know here? Anything? Er, this is very important. I do not want you to say...look.

SUB: Even my brother.

UCE: Look, I do not exist. I will tell what. I am not going to fool you. I will tell you, if anybody wonders why I am in *Dallas*, I am here to look for cars.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Are you paying attention?

SUB: Got it.

UCE: This is very important. I do not think that anybody would know who I am or anything at all. Er, your father does not know anything about me, as if I do not exist.

SUB: Okay.

UCE: Er, I will tell you... Our brother, and all these people, and everything, we are a group in different places, and I do not know everything. I mean, I know when I tell you that I came here to meet you... When I told you that I do not know anything about you--

SUB: You do not know anything--

UCE: I do not know anything about you.

SUB: Nothing.

UCE: Er, your story, your mother, may Allah have mercy on her, nothing at all.

SUB: Nothing.

UCE: --therefore, I am and, er, this is very important. Why? It is very important that no one knows--

SUB: Because of the danger--

UCE: And the reputation [OV]

SUB: --the entire group [UI]

UCE: What you do not know, you do not know. If anybody comes to me and tells me...I really, er--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: --am telling the truth, I do not lie about anything. This is a fact that, that I, I understand. So this is the method we use. Why? Because it is, in English, it is

safe. Nobody. Are you paying attention?

SUB: You never know, there are many bastards around here, who work--

UCE: You never know. Yeah. I mean yeah, I trust this guy and everything, I agree to that... But at the same time, this system, as they say, is the best system, and er, I am not the one to tell, "This will happen or will not happen."

SUB: Correct.

UCE: --because this decision is not mine.

SUB: That decision.

UCE: The decision is...there are people and there are--

SUB: *Yeah*.

UCE: Are you paying attention? I just came here to meet you for the first time.

SUB: Just meeting.

UCE: Exactly, and see...how do I say it?

SUB: Evaluation.

UCE: An evaluation. I am just here, I mean, like you go for a *job*.

SUB: An evaluator.

UCE: An evaluator.

SUB: Or [UI]--

UCE: --and I see...exactly.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Er, what I see, I will say it... After that, somebody will have a say, then it will come--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: I will tell you, either yes or no. I mean I will not tell you, yeah, everything is fine, and thank Allah, yeah thank Allah, and, but at the same time I do not want you to have a *high hope*, then after that I will tell you I am sorry. I will tell you, I am not

going lie to you, I will not, I will not lie to you, at all. What I say is going to happen, Allah willing.

SUB: Allah willing.

UCE: Er, or how long is your father going to stay? A week?

SUB: Er, yeah, he will stay about six days.

UCE: He will see you, I mean, that's good.

SUB: Yeah, [UI].

UCE: Take him out to have fun.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: And take him [UI]. What you, what you want to do, do it. Now you can get up and say goodbye Mr. Hussein, goodbye, and walk out, right?

SUB: Correct.

UCE: I want you to think, when your father comes, and you evaluate and see. You have not seen him for a while. And spend some time with him, he is your father.

SUB: [UI] correct.

UCE: You have not seen your brother for how long?

SUB: I have not seen him for about a year.

UCE: Where is he in *California*?

SUB: In *California*, in *San Jose*.

UCE: *San Jose*? That is, er, I do not have. That is close to *San Francisco*?

SUB: It is close to *San Francisco*, yeah.

UCE: Close to *San Francisco*, er, do you have any training? Er, have you been in the Army? You have not been in the Army or anything?

SUB: Not at all. I--

UCE: Do you know how to do anything? Medicine, weapons, anything at all?

SUB: Er, I mean, I know how to use knives, like you say--

UCE: We do not have anything to do with knives. I will tell you, I will not lie to you, we do not have anything to do with knives, *okay*, fine.

SUB: Er, [UI]--

UCE: But you do not have anything? Any type of...?

SUB: Not at all, but sometimes we used to have hunting weapons, you know, we use it--

UCE: To hunt?

SUB: --not ignorant, you know?

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: I mean, I know, I know everything, I mean, I will spend on it two minutes, then you will find me as if I have been on it for 20 years.

UCE: But I got to tell you, it will be more than two minutes. Are you ready--

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: --for something like this?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: [UI] that's normal, anybody now [UI].

[OV]

SUB: [UI] I, now, now... If you want to know my opinion, I want, I mean I do not care if one day I will be a martyr, *okay*? Many people died without a reason, without--

UCE: Look at--

SUB: --you know--

UCE: Look what happens in Gaza. Look what happens in Iraq and look--

SUB: Many died while they are drunk, he departed, and his liquor will not benefit him. Many died and said, "There is no god but Allah" before dying.

UCE: Of course.

SUB: And many died as martyrs for His sake, I mean, like those who executed missions. I will tell you about one thing that happened to me. While I was driving today, I looked at the clock, and because I was thinking I was late. It said 9/11, the clock read. So I remembered, and I said, "Praise Allah." I mean--

UCE: For your information, this mission was genius.

SUB: Praise Allah, I mean.

UCE: Genius.

SUB: It took five years, and--

UCE: Genius, but look, look, when I tell you it requires a sharp mind.

SUB: Praise Allah. I mean I do not know if you have a lot of information about it, I read a lot about it, and like I tell you, what they wanted to use, is to use many airplanes, more than what they used. You know that they used three...what I read--

[Noise - phone rings]

UCE: Feel free, [UI]

SUB: It is the *alarm*.

UCE: Uh-huh, okay.

SUB: What happened, my dear sir, is that I read, and I do not know if what I read was true or not, that they intended to use more planes than they did, but praise Allah, the planes that they used were not on time.

UCE: Not--

SUB: But it was enough, and Allah facilitated the matters.

UCE: Look, I will not tell you. I do not know exactly how many planes they intended to use, but I know that the planes they used, it was used, with, with...I mean--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: -- it was genius. I will tell you, it was not the issue to, yeah, violence, and with...no.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Quietly and with patience.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Er, this is very important.

SUB: It even took years, years.

UCE: I am not going to tell you. I did not come here to tell you. Yeah, we are going to do this and that.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Look, I am going to tell you something. We have the *internet*, I want you to--

SUB: [UI] my own private *computer*.

UCE: It is not the issue of a computer even or... I will tell you something. Do you have an *e-mail*?

SUB: I have an *e-mail*.

UCE: And I don't know what will happen, but what--

SUB: Do you want me to write it to you?

UCE: No, no, no. I will [noise] [UI]. I want you to go to this, it is called... it is opened for everybody, nobody can... it is called--

SUB: Is it a *website*? Or *e-mail*?

UCE: No, no, it's *e-mail*. Do you know? Like *Yahoo*.

SUB: [REDACTED]

UCE: [REDACTED] It's like *yahoo* and--

SUB: [REDACTED]

UCE: Yeah, [REDACTED] like *Yahoo mail dot com*, or like...I don't know...*Hotmail*. This is called [REDACTED] [REDACTED] is opened for anybody. What I want you to do...to get, er, like, what you call it *password*...the, the name, and *password*, are you paying attention? Just like anybody, anybody.

SUB: Do you want me to do--?

UCE: Open, open--

SUB: Open a private address for me?

UCE: I will tell you why this [REDACTED] is good. Number one, er, it is all [REDACTED] meaning what? And I want you to take a look at it.

SUB: Okay.

UCE: [REDACTED] means that nobody can--

SUB: Nobody can--

UCE: [REDACTED] Everything in it is [REDACTED], like secret.

SUB: Secret.

UCE: But you have to...it's even *free*...you can make an *upgrade* but it is *free*.

SUB: Like *MSN* and *Yahoo*--

UCE: Correct, but you have to *check* it, once a week or every three...I don't remember, so you can keep the *mail* active--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Exactly, you can *upgrade* and pay money...but it is the same thing. You use it...it is *very*, er, *good*...it is really *is very safe*.

SUB: And if I did not open it, it will erase everything.

UCE: It will erase everything, but I mean it is *encrypted*, secret, and nobody can open it, you will have to go through a lot of trouble to be able to open it with *Yahoo* and *Hotmail* and all that, anyone from the intelligence or... This and I want you to read about it.

SUB: Okay.

SUB: Open an *account*, an account over there, and, er, I will call you and will tell you exactly where you should go, so that you and I only communicate. When we talk in the *internet*, if we talked... and this is a very important issue, I do not want to tell you something--

SUB: We are not going to talk--

UCE: Because [UI] it will be all in English and very normal, *hello, how are you*.

SUB: Yeah, correct.

UCE: Are you paying attention? Peace be upon you, and peace, Allah's mercy and blessings be upon you, yeah, the same thing, I mean, *hello, how are you, my brother how you doing?*

SUB: *Yeah.*

UCE: I will be--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Exactly.

SUB: *Yeah.*

UCE: I will be in *Dallas* next week. I will call you, normal, just like any--

SUB: *Yeah, you are welcome, by Allah, brother, we miss you.*

UCE: We miss you brother, what's up, we want to eat some Arabic food, do you have [UI] normal.

SUB: *Correct.*

UCE: You have--

SUB: Do not bring up any--

UCE: Nothing at all.

SUB: --like you say.

UCE: Er, and I will talk to you, er, I do not know when, I will call you. This is your phone, right?

SUB: *Yeah, this is my private phone.*

UCE: This is your private phone.

SUB: *Yeah, it is *minutes*, and it is not registered under my name.*

UCE: It is not registered--

SUB: *AT&T.*

UCE: *Yeah.*

SUB: And it is like you say, er, [UI], er, I bought it from *Wal Mart*, *grab it and buy it*.

UCE: Can you get, er, another number?

SUB: I can get another number.

UCE: I mean--

SUB: You mean private?

UCE: Private, but...and we will talk later, it is not a problem.

SUB: Uh-huh. I wanted to do that already, but I did not have enough time. I had, I had just, I just bought it about three months ago, so I said that it is still good.

UCE: Who knows your number other than your father, your brother, and?

SUB: It is just a phone, like you say, for friends, like you say, *public phone*. If one of my friends wants to see me, "Where are you Hosam?" "By Allah I am at work, I ca not see you tonight." Like that, you know?

UCE: We will talk about it later. This system that you have a phone and a second number, but I will send you an *e-mail* and will tell you, "*Turn it on.*" Are you paying attention?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: It will be on this date, are you paying attention? There will be no specific time.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: And when we are done talking, turn it off, and that's it.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: It's like...are you paying attention? So, so, you will not be walking with two or three phones, and someone might question why you have that.

SUB: True.

UCE: Er, the *internet*... I want you... You are free, you are free with what you want to do. But, just let us, like you say, *pull back*. Are you paying attention?

SUB: Caution.

UCE: Caution is very important, and be careful with the, yeah, he is our brother and I

respect that and everything, but you do not know who was, who is the, er... You know, you know the *computer* system--

SUB: And that is why I was cautious.

UCE: I mean I was watching the news yesterday and it said, er, China stole this and that--

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: --from ,er, the *computer*, and I don't know-- [Sigh]

SUB: It means [OV] [UI].

UCE: They are sons of... Be aware, as you know, there are people who are--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Er, what I want to tell you is, er, that you have, I mean, er...that you have to recognize and, and know exactly what you want. I do not want to tell you. I am not- I am not the one to, are you paying attention? Like I told you, this will be your decision within yourself.

[OV]

SUB: [UI] If you do not understand me, but like you say, I, I mean jihad for the sake of Allah, in person, I mean--

UCE: But this is not--

SUB: --to bring down, we are going to bring down America and Israel together, you know? Like you say--

UCE: I know, I know.

SUB: We will bring down Abdullah, and, er--

UCE: Abdullah.

SUB: --and, of course, the guy from Egypt too.

UCE: And- I mean the one from Egypt is about eighty plus years old, and he is still alive and does not have a single white hair on his head.

SUB: We are, like you say, like you say, if this one goes, another one more evil will replace him, so we will bring down all of them. We will bring down all of them--

UCE: They say--

SUB: We are going to bring down all of them--

UCE: In Egypt--

SUB: --the entire politics.

UCE: --in Egypt, you know, they say that, er, Jamal, his son, wants to be a president So it is not a presidency now, it is a kingdom and that is it.

SUB: Yeah, correct.

UCE: Jamal, he was here in America, and he, too, is a son of a... We know, we know, er--

SUB: I mean like our Abdullah, he goes to Friday prayers, and goes and gets drunk in such hotel, he and his cousins, Hasan and Hussain, Hasan and--

[OV]

UCE: What do you think of his wife?

SUB: --yeah, all of them...and his wife, er, er, and with some scum bags, and...you know, they go get drunk and have fun, while some people are being killed and some people are starved.

UCE: Er--

SUB: --other than that, they are, they are, I mean, collaborators, all of them.

UCE: They are all collaborators.

SUB: They are all collaborators.

UCE: Do you have a Jordanian passport?

SUB: Jordanian passport.

UCE: And this Jordanian passport, does it have, er, a valid date, I mean can you trav-?

[OV]

SUB: Yeah, *until 2012*.

UCE: But if you leave, you will not be able to come back, of course?

SUB: If I leave from this country, I will not be able, but Allah willing, if I leave--

UCE: You will have the--

SUB: --and things will go easy, I will have the Jordanian, to go anywhere I want.

UCE: The American, you mean. *The Green Card*.

SUB: If I get the *Green Card*, Allah willing, if I stay here. I do not know what I am going to do now, but if I get any opportunity, I will not, I mean, waste it.

UCE: You want to be with your American friends, er, very normal, er--

SUB: Does mean that--

UCE: --and be, *be nice*, er, you say that you are by yourself, right? Are you always--

SUB: I live alone.

UCE: I want you... Go out a little.

SUB: L...[UI]

UCE: Look, you work everyday, of course?

SUB: Correct.

UCE: And you deal with people, and you say you deal with officers, and everything.

SUB: Correct, yeah.

UCE: That...you... Correct, correct, I mean this is--

SUB: I, like you say, what I have inside of me--

UCE: Inside of you.

SUB: --is concealed.

UCE: Exactly.

SUB: And my outside appearance to people makes them think, I mean, that...*Sam is...the best in this country*, I mean this, *where I live*, you know? I mean they even do not know--

UCE: Is it a big place or small? I mean, do you live in like a big *city* or in a *city*?

SUB: I live, like you say, *okay*, I mean, just like you say, this area, *Waxahachie*, and I am in a village that is 10 miles away, and it has *studios*...the store I work in is a little far from there--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --okay. I live there, and I mean, I help people there, you know, I help people--

UCE: Help. There is nothing--

SUB: --I give to people sometimes, I give them... I helped a lot. For example, there is a guy who worked with me, his mother is deceased, and like you say, he lost his car, and will end up on the street. So, what I did for him--

UCE: An American?

SUB: I brought him to my place, and let him sleep there for a couple of days. Yeah, I helped him. I paid a *deposit* for an apartment for him, close to mine, *300 dollars*, just an aid to him--

UCE: There is nothing wrong at all with that.

SUB: He is a very good friend of mine, and if I want anything from him, he will help me.

UCE: He is American.

SUB: An American.

UCE: There is nothing, there is nothing wrong at all with that, and I want you to continue doing this.

SUB: I am like a brother to him.

UCE: I want you to continue this.

SUB: The cop that I told you about, er, er, he entrusted in me to the point... He does not know who I really am. He showed me photos of secret installations in Egypt, but he opened it by accident, he opened the *file* accidentally, he did not want, he did not, he did not want to show it to me...but this can help us, you know. Er, that happened, my dear sir, he showed me photos, I mean where the bases are, the airplanes--

UCE: In Egypt.

SUB: In Egypt, for whom? For Israel and for America.

UCE: How did he show it to you? On a *computer* or what?

SUB: Er, on his private computer in his car. He keeps all his photos there.

UCE: Yeah, he has like a *file*.

SUB: Yeah...he shows me sometimes. He would tell me, "A crime happened..." he shows me. I mean, like you say, when I *chill out* with him, you know, smoking a cigarette with him outside.... Er, he loves Arabs, you know.... We used to go, we went to an Arabic restaurant, for instance, and he would show me a photo. He opened this file by accident. He wanted to show me how he worked. So, there is another file which he opened by accident, er, it contained bases and stuff. So he closed it quickly and told me, "I can't let you see this because it's private." [UI] *It's in Egypt and it's private.*

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: I thought, that's it, I mean the, er... If one of these days I get it, it will be beneficial, you know, that is, for example, I can take the *computer* from his car, or anything, but the problem is that the *computer* is *password* protected.

UCE: Didn't he try? Did he tell you anything? To recruit you? To do something for you? Er, *just nice*?

SUB: Not at all, *he just like*, I mean--

UCE: What I see is that he is showing you these things, I mean it is okay that he trusts you and everything, but I mean--

SUB: He is [UI], like you say, that I helped him, er, in, er.... Like I told you, there were people involved in drugs--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --they used to come to the *gas station*. One time I helped them. He told me secretly, that...he told me.... Why do they let me drive without driver's license? They know that I do not have driver's license, you know.

UCE: Normal, normal, yeah.

SUB: --I mean, it is like a favor for a favor.

UCE: Exactly, I will let you go ahead and drive without license, and I want you to help me.

SUB: Yeah, help me.

UCE: Do you still help them or that's it?

SUB: Just talk, normal, just talk, of course, I mean, they try--

UCE: *Coffee, tea, and all that--*

SUB: *Coffee, tea... that's it.*

UCE: Okay.

SUB: Just friends I mean. Even if I see him outside, on the road, "hey, what's up Sam", and he would bring his children, you know?

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --he brings his children to the store and he tells them, "This is my friend Sam, from, er, Arabia." I mean something like this, just like a normal relationship--

UCE: Okay, fine.

SUB: --just like you say a normal friend.

UCE: But also be careful of these people, I mean--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: I mean, they are also, please forgive me for saying that, I mean--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: --it is good and everything but--

SUB: They are devils?

UCE: Not devils, I mean, yeah, but be careful. They are Americans and everything. They are government, I mean, so be careful I mean. Er, of course *be nice* and everything--

SUB: I am just like a regular citizen.

UCE: Exactly.

SUB: They do not know anything about me.

UCE: Er, do you have a regular *e-mail* or not?

SUB: I have a regular *e-mail*.

UCE: What is it?

SUB: I have three.

UCE: What do you have? Is it *Yahoo* for example?

SUB: I have...all what I use is *Hotmail*, [REDACTED] I do not, I do not use *Yahoo*, because *Hotmail* is, like you say.... When I started on the *computer*, I have been using *Hotmail* and *MSN*. I mean that I use all *Hotmail* and *MSN* programs. I mean I feel comfortable with them.

UCE: Is it possible that you...? I am asking these questions because, because--

SUB: Yeah [UI].

UCE: --I have people, and the-the-the-- Can you travel to anywhere in America? I mean to travel is like for example if you go by car, you go somewhere--

SUB: Yeah, by car.

UCE: --[UI] the car or something?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: For example, to go visit your brother if you can?

SUB: Possible.

UCE: Can you take a vacation for two or three days? I do not want them to doubt you in anyway.

SUB: Yeah, but I have to wait. Right now my car is not too much. I want to buy a new car.

UCE: Leave it to Allah, leave it to Allah; leave it to Allah. This question is not a problem.

SUB: --so, Allah willing.

UCE: Are you sure? Are you sure of this, sir?

SUB: I am sure hundred percent. I mean, my goal, my life, since I was little. It was like an instinct in me. I did not know what it was, but it was an instinct in my heart, you know what I mean? Er, I mean I have seen many things while I am asleep. If

I tell you, you might not believe me.

UCE: Just tell me, on the contrary--

SUB: One time, one time I dreamt that I entered a place with a dome, a big place, a palace--

UCE: Um-hum.

SUB: --I entered it, and it was... I even, like you say, it is glass on the inside, glass, and all the prophets are standing in lines, and I saw them all, one after the other: Moses, our master Moses, may Allah bless him, our master Jesus, our master David, Joseph, but I do not remember much--

UCE: Yeah, of course.

SUB: --because I saw it long time ago, er, I mean they were meeting because of something, I mean, that I... They were talking about something, but I did not know what it was. I mean they did not tell me in my dream, you know. The one who was with me, right next to me, was Jesus, and the Messenger Muhammad, may Allah bless him.

UCE: May Allah bless him.

SUB: So, it is like you say, it is a vision. I mean it had our master Mohammad.

UCE: Er--

SUB: I mean I saw all the prophets. They were meeting and I left that place, there was something, I mean they were talking about something and I left, and when I was in Jordan, I came to America, I used to pray and ask Allah and, and to pray to Allah to make things easier, and for example, one day to be able to be one of these people--

UCE: Of course, of course.

SUB: --I mean, al-Zarqawi, Abu Mos'ab al-Zarqawi, may Allah have mercy on him, when they struck him in Iraq, he was the head of Al Qaeda organization in Iraq.

UCE: Are you talking about Iraq?

SUB: He was killed in--

UCE: In Iraq, yeah, yeah, yeah, okay, okay, okay, er--

SUB: They killed him with an air raid. He was driving the Americans crazy there.

UCE: He drove them crazy for a long time there. Do you remember when he was on the, er, *internet*?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: --on *video*, er--

SUB: I, I bring all of his films.

UCE: Okay, didn't they kill his daughter along with him too?

SUB: Er, by Allah--

UCE: They killed his daughter with him.

SUB: Sure, exactly, but I do not know--

UCE: His daughter and his wife? His daughter and his wife--

SUB: By Allah, really?

UCE: I am talking, I am talking about the air raid, yeah.

SUB: *Yeah*, because when they had the air raid, they struck him inside the house. They struck him and his friends, in Iraq.

UCE: I do not want you to talk about, er, you see how I talk? I am going to teach you how to speak Egyptian. [Laughs]

SUB: [Laughs]

UCE: Egyptian accent. I do not want you to talk to people, if you please, I do not want you to engage them in any, er, in the, er--

SUB: Any [UI].

UCE: Any discussions about subjects, er, about religion, and politics, and Gaza, and Israel.

SUB: Never.

UCE: So don't say, I mean--

SUB: I will not mention--

UCE: --anything... "*I, I, I love it here, this is my home...*"

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: Are you paying attention? Especially the officers who are here [UI].

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: [Noise] "*Look, I am working...*" And whatever, and such talk.... Are you paying attention? Do not engage in any--

SUB: Never.

UCE: --in anything at all.

SUB: I mean, you are the only person in front of whom I talked, but when I am outside, I am another man. I am different hundred percent.

UCE: Er, I, I am worr- not worried, but I am... I, you know...anything.... But I will tell you that this will not be my decision, the decision, of course--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: I mean, the, the, the.... Do you trust this Mexican? Your wife that you married?

SUB: My wife, yeah.

UCE: Do you? Don't, don't, er, don't tell her anything at all.

SUB: Never.

UCE: You see her- anything on the internet? Anything?

SUB: Never, she, I mean she--

UCE: I know that she is not living with you now, but I am talking about it--

SUB: She knows that I came here to make money, open up a business--

UCE: --and move on, just like the majority of Arabs, just like the majority of Arabs.

SUB: Just like the majority of people who want to live their lives here.

UCE: Exactly.

SUB: And buy a nice car, and buy a nice house--

UCE: Do you talk to her a lot?

SUB: Er, I mean not many, many, I mean like every two days. Sometimes when she comes to the store to see, she sees me for five minutes.

UCE: Does she come to see you?

SUB: She has a *boyfriend*.

UCE: She has a....?

SUB: She has a boyfriend already. Her boyfriend is black too.

UCE: Er, there is no god but Allah, er, be careful. I do not want you to know the *boyfriend*. Do not associate with him.

SUB: Never.

UCE: Don't associate with him.

SUB: Never.

UCE: Because I do not want any problems with *Immigration* or anything.

SUB: Never.

UCE: Er, like I am telling you, praise Allah and Allah willing, I will be in touch with you, but I only want you to be sure, and want you to know that *this is really*, I mean *real* like we say in English.

SUB: *Serious*.

UCE: I mean there is no doubt, er, be careful with the *internet*, this is very important. Get on the *internet* too, and visit things like, er, visit diff- things...American things, for example, *ESPN*.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Er, read the news--

SUB: *CNN*.

UCE: *CNN*.

SUB: Yeah, technology stuff [OV] [UI].

UCE: Technology, like...you are a young man--

SUB: Stores, stores.

UCE: Exactly, you are a young man, er, and so forth. Er, do you follow me?

SUB: Of course.

UCE: Do you understand?

SUB: Of course.

UCE: Do you understand? Exactly.

SUB: [UI] so as to chat with people [OV] [UI].

UCE: Please, er, I mean.... If you want to visit, possible, for a period.... How long do you stay on the *computer*?

SUB: By Allah, if I have sit...and if I have time, it will take all my time.

UCE: No, excuse me, I tell you--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Please, and I tell you, and I try, I will contact you, and I will, er.... Open your account in [REDACTED] and, er, send it to our brother, and I will send you an *e-mail* to your *e-mail*, that does not have, like I am telling you, when I wr- in the *e-mail*, "*How are you?*"

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: "*Great seeing you.*"

SUB: We have--

UCE: Normal, normal, normal.

SUB: We have, now, a communication method, which is...I don't know if the brother explained it to you, but, I mean, if you want to do it with me, *it's very good too.*

UCE: I mean, what does he do?

SUB: [REDACTED]

UCE: Okay.

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

Yeah.

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

Exactly.

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

[REDACTED]

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

And [UI].

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

Correct.

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

Nothing.

SUB:

[REDACTED]

UCE:

[REDACTED]

SUB:

File [OV] [UI].

UCE:

But I will tell you, I am with you. [REDACTED]
[REDACTED]

SUB:

Yeah.

UCE:

[REDACTED]

SUB:

Correct.

UCE:

[REDACTED]

SUB: Correct.

UCE:

SUB: It's just, like you say [OV] [UI]

UCE:

SUB:

UCE: And we will accept, and everything in it's right time--

SUB: You know--

UCE: I mean that you.... I have met you now, er, and as I am telling you, and like I said, with all my respects and, er, we are honored--

SUB: May Allah keep you.

UCE: --I want to tell you I, I mean, small, er, there is not- not- not only Egyptians, or Jordanians, or Iraqis, or.... There is, you might meet other people who are from different places, from here, from there, so--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: --and I am telling you here, I do not want to know what's in the *e-mails*, I... because if somebody asks me, I really don't know.

SUB: Hum.

UCE: Right? So nobody says.... All what I know is that I met a nice young man, from Jordan, er, and I wanted to see if he can help me.... We can do cars, anything this that, that's it.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: There is no problem. Even when I talk to you on the phone, you know how I talk to you, "Peace be upon you and peace be upon you."

SUB: How are you? How are things?

UCE: How are you? I, I will be there, peace be upon you and that is it, and you are not, not, er--

SUB: *Yeah*, I, at the beginning [OV].

UCE: There is no suspicion.

SUB: *Yeah*, I, at the beginning, I was not on the phone a lot, I mean that [OV] [UI].

UCE: Even I...you see how I was with you? Nothing.

SUB: I, too, was still scared at the beginning. You know, I don't know, I mean that I have not seen anything with my own eyes, it was all just a normal contact.

UCE: And I want you to be scared.

SUB: *Yeah*.

UCE: I want you, because er, er, it is not only me, er, er, that there are other people. There are people you do not know and there are people whom you will meet. Like you say... the Pakistani.... You did not know what was happening--

SUB: *Yeah*.

UCE: --not all that you... You have to be like they call it...*cautious*. You have to be *cautious*.

SUB: Correct. [UI]

UCE: Er--

SUB: I always stay *cautious*.

UCE: At what time are you going to go to work, Allah willing? How far is it from here?

SUB: I mean I will be there in about half an hour. I mean the distance, I mean when I take the free way, I mean if--

UCE: You will be working until night.

SUB: I will be working until night, but I mean I can, I can stay here until one o'clock.

UCE: Not a problem, not a problem. Er, how much do they pay you at work there?

SUB: They give me nine dollars an hour. But I--

UCE: Honestly, this is nothing. There is god but Allah.

SUB: I know, so that I make [OV] [UI].

UCE: I mean, there is no god but Allah.

SUB: For me to do work for them--

UCE: But you work 12 hours a day--

SUB: Uh-huh, that is because I do not have papers, that is why.

UCE: But, but that does not mean that he--

SUB: Correct, but, er--

UCE: But they are good to you, nine dollars an hour...it means--

SUB: I mean, thank Allah--

UCE: This is *cash*, I mean.

SUB: I am surviving.

UCE: Thank Allah.

SUB: Even, I mean, I mean, I used to have good jobs before, but now because of circumstances, because you know, the papers and so forth--

UCE: Er--

SUB: But now thank Allah, I have sufficiency.

UCE: We thank Allah, er--

SUB: [UI] I have sufficiency, and--

UCE: Will it be a problem for you if I tell you that you need a second number, for example? Is this a problem to you?

SUB: Normal.

UCE: These things are cheap and--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: I want to tell you that with time, I mean, er--

SUB: Not a problem. Money, I mean, is not a problem at all. I never think about money.

UCE: Does your father send you any money?

SUB: If I, if I ask him.

UCE: He will send you.

SUB: He will send me right away, but I don't accept it on myself to take anything from him, because--

UCE: And when you...but he is your father, it is not a problem. [UI]

SUB: Yeah, he helped me... [UI].

UCE: [UI]

SUB: When I was with the lawyer and things, he paid the lawyer's expenses, but--

UCE: Does your father know that you have gotten married?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: He knows that you have gotten married?

SUB: He made me get married.

UCE: He made you get married?

SUB: He made me. I did not want to get married ever.

UCE: But he wanted you?

SUB: I did not care about the papers.

UCE: But you never know what might happen--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: He is your father and is smart. I mean, I mean, he is--

SUB: Correct, he is like--

UCE: --and, how did you meet her? That lady? Did you meet her at work or what?

SUB: At work, in the area, er--

UCE: Is she young or old?

SUB: Er, she is young, 18 years old.

UCE: That is good, because when you go, you will not be like 40 years old and she is--

SUB: You know, she loves me like a brother, not like a husband or a boyfriend or--

UCE: So, she did it for you, I mean, "I want you can stay--"

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: "--I will help you and you, you will help me?" Not a problem, huh?

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: Er, that is not a problem. What are you going to tell your father?

SUB: About this thing?

UCE: Yeah, what are you going to tell your father? I mean you are going to meet your father, what are you going to tell your father?

SUB: I need your help in this. I do not know, you have more *experience*. Do you have children?

[Noise]

UCE: Er, I had, I had, there is no god but Allah, I had. But, er- I told you that I was married, I had a boy, she took him. He is American, and, and even--

SUB: Allah willing, he will make it up to you.

[Noise]

UCE: Er, I can give you all the world's advice, but at the end, this decision.... Are you paying attention? And why am I asking you this? Because I want to have knowledge of what might happen, so that when I...correct, so, what are you going to tell him? I mean, I mean I'll tell you. You want to know what my opinion is. By Allah my opinion is--

SUB: I, the problem is that.... Look how my father is going to think, for example--

UCE: Do you have cigarettes? I do not have cigarettes. I am sorry, I have the last cigarette.

SUB: Yeah I have, I have... [UI]

UCE: Let's go get cigarettes. We are going to buy you a cigarette pack.

SUB: See, I bought them on the road. By Allah. So what happened, my dear sir, the Hajji--

UCE: Your mother?

SUB: My father. I mean...look how people think, if one wants to talk about jihad. That is, for example, he is going to think that he is a terrorist. You see how people think?

UCE: Uh-huh.

SUB: Or a group of people might take him, for your information, there are groups that are just from intelligence, and they are saboteurs, correct?

UCE: Correct.

SUB: So, people do not know the truth, that people do not know that truly, there is jihad--

UCE: There are serious people, and jihad--

SUB: Jihad is [OV] [UI].

UCE: You know to sacrifice in person, and like you say, yourself--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: --even jihad in your heart.

SUB: Correct, so I do not know which way I am going to approach him...what type of question I am going to say to him for example--

UCE: I mean, let's say that you are sitting with him now, consider me as I am your father, what are you going to tell him? Are you going to say, "I am going to do so and so and so?" And what do you think he is going to say? Is he going to tell you.... I mean I am talking to you frankly.

SUB: He is going to be surprised.

UCE: He will have a surprise--

SUB: A surprise that he will not--

UCE: He will look at you and say "Are you seriously talking or...?"

SUB: I mean something like this, yeah, you know? He is going to be surprised. He knows me, he knows that I have been thinking about things like this a long time ago, but he was...what? He was afraid for me that a day will come and I, for example--

UCE: Do you think he sent you here to change your mind? To change your mind in this?

SUB: He just wanted me to stay, like, like you say, trusting that, like he wanted me to be somebody...he trusts me and says, "Yeah go ahead..." for instance, [noise] [UI].

[OV]

UCE: He wants, a father wants the best for his son, of course.

SUB: Yeah, his son, you know. Just what you would do for your son, he would do for me, but my path is different. My path is I do not think about the world, I mean.

UCE: But when, er, what is? Are you going to tell him one time? I want to say it--

SUB: I don't, I mean I don't know whether to tell him or not. I am afraid that one of these days--

UCE: So, why don't you think--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Yeah, tell me.

SUB: One of these days, something is going to happen to me--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: And for example, I am afraid that he might regret sending me to America or blame himself. I mean I do not want him to have regret, because for me, I do not care about myself, I mean I know that I--

UCE: I have to tell you something, like I told you in Egyptian, it is what you are comfortable with, this decision is going to be yours--

SUB: Uh-huh.

UCE: From within yourself.

SUB: My decision--

UCE: At the same time, I can very much tell you about the decision, either yes or no, like am telling you, I do not want you to, like we say, er, pressure... I do not want to pressure you, and that is why I am telling you that I do not know what to say to you. There are many advices, I can say everything to you.

SUB: But--

UCE: But I do not want to pressure you--

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: --and try, like to change your mind. Are you paying attention?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: --and you will say something which you will not be comfortable with. I want it to come from you.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Because everything from this moment on is going to come from you.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Not from me, and not from your father, and--

SUB: I am, like you say, have drawn this path from the beginning, and I will not go back, and even, I will tell you, even if they take me to *Guantanamo*, like--

UCE: They are going to close it.

SUB: If they lock me up in it, that's it, I am in Allah's hands.

UCE: You know, some people say, some people say that Mister Obama is a Muslim.

SUB: Yeah, there are--

UCE: Have you heard of this or not?

SUB: Yeah, I have heard but--

UCE: In Egypt, in al-Akhbar newspaper and in al-Ahram newspaper, they say he is a Muslim.

SUB: Muslim but [UI].

UCE: That is because if your father is a Muslim. If your father is Muslim, because in Shari'a, you are a Muslim. That's it, you will die a Muslim.

SUB: Yeah, a Muslim.

UCE: Even his father used to get drunk and do things, you know, and they say he is a Muslim, but he closed it. Do not worry, you will not go to *Guantanamo*.
[Laughs]

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Er, this is your decision, I mean. I am going to tell you the truth. I mean I can advise you and tell you everything, but I mean--

SUB: The thing, I mean--

UCE: Yeah.

SUB: --that makes me want to consult with my father is--

UCE: But, also, have mercy on the parents.

SUB: Yeah, mercy, because I want my Allah to be approving of me--

UCE: Correct.

SUB: --you know, not because, for example, because I am scared from my father or anything...because it is just that I am afraid from Allah all mighty, that I will have something on me in Judgment Day.

UCE: In Judgment Day, no one will know anything.

SUB: Correct.

UCE: Everyone is going to be for himself, your father is not going to know you, and you will not know your brother, and you will not--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: You will stand before Allah, with your deeds, and that's it.

SUB: And I am going to do this thing too, I mean, because I will be an intercessor for all of them, my family in Judgment Day, what is better than that?

UCE: Of course, of course.

SUB: You have them go to Paradise along with you?

UCE: You, don't make me, er.... Leave it to Allah, er, I want to tell you, mercy on the parents, and I want you to make this decision yourself, and you see what you want to tell him, er, I don't want, er.... I am sorry for saying this, but I am going to say it. I am not, it is not a matter of trust, and I do not even want you to trust me. I don't want you, are you paying attention? All of these things, but I am worried that he is going to ask you many questions, and you might tell him something or something, then--

SUB: Never.

UCE: This is very important, because I am not, it's neither I, nor you, nor the brother, nor the father, are you paying attention?

SUB: [UI]

UCE: I mean, I mean, I want you to think about this, er, you do whatever you want. But I want to tell you that when you make the decision--

SUB: There will be no retreat, there will be no retreat ever.

UCE: Like we say in Egypt, it is easier to get into something than to get out of it.

SUB: Not like getting out, correct.

UCE: Are you paying attention? So I am telling you, I am telling you, because of this, I want you to take your time thinking. We are talking together like friends, I am like your older brother, are you paying attention?

SUB: May Allah keep you.

UCE: May Allah keep you. If you need anything, I am under your command. If I need anything...are you paying attention? But this is *gonna be* from, from.... So when he comes, he is going to stay for a week. What do you see?

SUB: By Allah, I mean, see that, *may be* it is going to be the last time I see him. You never know, he is also old in age?

UCE: How old is he, your father? May Allah grant him good health.

SUB: He is, I mean, he is 58 years old. He does not have any brothers.

UCE: 58 years old.

SUB: All his brothers died from strokes.

UCE: Died.

SUB: When they were 40's and 50's, something like that.

UCE: There is no god but Allah.

SUB: I mean I am scared. I always lookout for the future, not that I am--

UCE: Is it that you want to scare him?

SUB: I do not want to scare him.

UCE: But you want to tell him the truth?

SUB: But I do not want to lie to him too. If anything happens to me or to him, I, for example, will have some kind of...I mean like you say, some kind of sadness or like you say, it is pure. Like you say, er, I do not want to lie to him and belittle him for example, by telling him, "Yeah father, I doing okay" and such stuff, anything, I mean. I want to make him, like you say, leave him with the idea that if one of these days he thinks about it, this was my decision.

UCE: And you want his blessings too.

SUB: His blessing--

UCE: It is important--

SUB: The parents' blessings--

UCE: [UI]

SUB: That's what it is. It is the blessing.

UCE: Yeah, it is the blessing, exactly, correct.

SUB: It is ultimately the blessing. I do not want him one of these days--

UCE: Is he coming on Sunday?

SUB: He is coming Sunday, if Allah is willing, he will be here.

UCE: Today is, today is Wednesday.

SUB: My father, like you say, was long time ago--

UCE: Do you think if you tell your father, that he is going to go and tell somebody?

SUB: Not at all, because he is--

UCE: He goes to--

SUB: My father is the type, like you say, his personality.... I take the style, somehow, from him. It is hereditary, like you say.

UCE: And you--

SUB: So, I mean, I understand him and he understands me.

UCE: Do you have? Do you, do you want to tell him everything or...?

SUB: No, I will not tell him everything.

[OV]

UCE: I mean, give me, give me an example.

SUB: For example, I will say to him, for example, "Father, I am on my way on Allah's path..."

UCE: Okay, we are all in Allah's path.

SUB: "...and Allah willing, I mean, you will hear news soon for example, that will make you happy, that I am doing something for my religion and for myself. It will make you happy." You know, but I am not going to tell him that I met the group, and I will do jihad, and do, and things.

UCE: And if he says to you, if he says to you, what are you talking about?

SUB: What I am afraid of is that he--

UCE: The shock?

SUB: The shock.

UCE: Then, like you say--

SUB: I am afraid something will happen to him.

UCE: His age and things, this is a thing you have to think about. I do not want you, I am not going to tell you what to do, but at the same time, your father is a man and, like you say, he is a respectable man, and one who knows Allah, so if you tell him something like this, is he going to...? His health I mean.

SUB: It is his health.

UCE: Another thing for you to think about.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: You have to think about everything.

SUB: My little brothers.

UCE: And your little brothers and you have sisters, and you have a family like you say.

SUB: I have a family.

UCE: You have a family there, too.

SUB: I mean [OV] [UI].

UCE: So, do you...? What I, what I see is that he goes back to Jordan and tells people, and people will tell other people and so, and so forth--

SUB: And that is why I will not--

UCE: --and you know that they are sons of a- there in Jordan, they work with the Americans.

SUB: Intelligence.

UCE: Intelligence and such...yeah they are worse than--

SUB: They are bastards.

UCE: Yeah, they are bastards, and after that, maybe somebody.... Be careful. You know the system in Jordan.

SUB: Maybe one day I go back home, then they arrest me in the airport.

UCE: And after that?

SUB: Everything goes to waste.

UCE: And nothing happens at the end, so you have to think.

SUB: Everything I have planned will go to waste.

UCE: He is your, and you know better than me, but at the same time, I want you.... This is your decision, see if you are--

SUB: Actually, I wanted to pretend that... I mean when he comes, that his son now is not the same son in the past. I wanted to pretend that, I mean, er, that I am very religious, that I want him to figure it out without me telling him anything, I mean, I wanted to start to pray on time--

UCE: This is a decision--

SUB: --and keep reading the Qur'an.

UCE: This is a difficult decision.

SUB: Especially make him--

[Noise]

UCE: Yeah, [UI].

SUB: --to get a hunch, just make him get a hunch without me telling him.

UCE: What is the problem? What is the problem? Hang on with me...

[Clearing throat]

[Noise]

UCE: Do you need water or anything?

SUB: No, nothing.

[Noise - water running]

UCE: By Allah, you see.... It is like you say, you figure out. Like you say, it is at your comfort, you figure out what you need to do, and Allah willing, I might take sometime before I talk to you again. It is very normal. Your phone, is your phone, do you answer your phone? You told me last time, after ten o'clock at night?

SUB: Yeah, after ten o'clock, but if you call me anytime, I can take a *break*.

UCE: As for me, if there is a call, it will be a minute, but I will try as much as I can to let you, er, I will call you at a certain time so that...so that you are there.

SUB: I do not like to, I do not like talk on the phone *if anybody around me.*

UCE: And even when I call you, talk to me in English.

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: *"How are you? How are you doing?" I talk to you, "How are you? Er, I'm, I'm gonna see you. I'm gonna call you." Or I can say, "Hey man, [REDACTED]*

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Things like that, very light things, things--

SUB: Things [UI], I mean--

UCE: --light, very simple, there is nothing in it, even if you are standing with a *customer.* Nothing at all.

SUB: Yeah, that's it. I do this when my father calls me, you know, because he does not speak much English, so--

UCE: How many Arab guys work with you?

SUB: Er, at the current time, there is one Egyptian guy.

UCE: Do not tell him anything. He is a respectable guy, leave him alone.

SUB: He, he is not the type, I mean. He is the type who drinks and things, but I am just a friend to him.

UCE: Of course, I must ask you.

SUB: I don't tell him anything, I mean.

UCE: And I must.... I mean I know, you, do you do anything? Drugs?

SUB: Never.

UCE: Or anything?

SUB: I will not lie to you, I am regretting that I drank alcohol before. About two years ago.

UCE: Allah is forgiving and merciful.

SUB: Just that.

UCE: Anything else? Drugs? Anything with other people? Do you go out with people? I will tell you why, because if anything happens to you, if you are in a car and somebody had something, and you were stopped or anything--

SUB: Correct.

UCE: You are finished, it is over, everything is going to be over.

SUB: But even the thing that I told you about, I even try to ask for forgiveness for it from my Allah, that I have done something wrong in my life, you know.

UCE: Allah, Allah is forgiving and merciful.

SUB: Allah is forgiving and merciful like you say. I am walking in his path, thank Allah, I mean he is the one who made things easier for me. When I supplicated my first prayer to Him, I mean, this was my goal, and praise Allah, he made it easier for me. Until now, I can not believe that he made it easier like this.

UCE: You, what do you feel, now?

SUB: Very happy.

UCE: I am not, I am not going to tell you, er, er, I am not--

SUB: My feeling is that my trust in my Allah is increasing, I mean, I mean, Allah, I mean, Allah made this easier for me.

UCE: Are you comfortable? Is your inner self comfortable?

SUB: Comfortable, because this is the goal that I have sought.

UCE: Like I told you, if you walked away today, and said to me, I mean, stuff like that, there is nothing, nothing at all, and you are my brother till the Judgement Day.

SUB: There are some people who told me that before, "If you want to withdraw and everything...."

UCE: I will not pressure you with anything at all.

SUB: I mean, I did not start in order to quit. I mean, I started until the end of the road, so whatever Allah has destined for me, I mean it is welcome.

UCE: It is welcome, okay, okay, I will tell you something...let's...so you can go to your work, let's go get a cigarettes pack, so you will have cigarettes and, and, and--

SUB: Okay, I have cigarettes, do you want a cigarette?

UCE: No, no, no, no, let's go, let's go [UI].

[Noise]

SUB: [UI] cigarettes.

UCE: What? No dear, I will bring you a box, I will bring you the cigarettes. I insist.

SUB: No, er--

UCE: I insist, I insist, my dear, we will go. Don't you need anything? Do you want to use the restroom or anything?

SUB: Yeah, I can use the restroom.

UCE: Please go ahead, please go ahead.

UCE: I will tell you, let's take these things with us, and if somebody asked if I was smoking, if somebody said anything. Please go ahead.

UCE: [UI]

SUB: [UI]

[SUB in restroom.]

[Noise - elevator]

UCE: Is there Arabic food?

SUB: There is [UI].

[Noise]

UCE: Is there anything, is there any restaurant, any Arabic places around you or, to eat in them next time.

SUB: Yes, there is, but it is around here, some 50 miles away.

UCE: It's not a problem, I mean, maybe [UI].

SUB: [UI], if it's Arabic, I will cook for you.

UCE: Have you been to New York before?

SUB: Never.

UCE: Do you cook?

SUB: Sometimes I cook all types of Arabic food.

UCE: Grape leaves?

SUB: Grape leaves, stuffed cabbage?

UCE: No, this is...grape leaves?

SUB: *Yeah.*

UCE: Lentil soup?

SUB: Yeah, lentil soup, Mujaddarah, rice and lentil, er, Mansaf--

UCE: Mansaf?

SUB: Maqlubeh--

UCE: Mansaf, by Alalh.

SUB: Yogurt--

UCE: Where are you? Yeah, there is a store here, let's go. [UI]

[Noise]

SUB: I used to cook by myself, but now it is difficult.

UCE: And you eat the, the, the--

SUB: And now I do not have the appetite. [Laughs]

UCE: And I don't know how to cook, and I don't know.

SUB: I used to work in many restaurants and things like this, Arabic restaurants.

UCE: So, have you been to New York before?

SUB: No, never.

UCE: Which cities did you go to?

[Noise - beep]

SUB: Er, from Jordan, I only went to like I told you, Minor pilgrimage.

UCE: No, here in America.

SUB: Oh, here.

UCE: It is very hot, here, *yeah--*

SUB: Only *California, Chicago* where I stayed a month.

UCE: Where in *Chicago*?

SUB: Er, I do not know about anything over there.

UCE: It is nice, not bad, but cold.

SUB: Very cold, I mean, like freeze.

UCE: Did you say that your cousin is in Chicago?

SUB: I have a relative there, he is my father's cousin.

UCE: Your father's cousin? Yeah.

SUB: I mean he is not a close relative, not a close relative. He is the one who met me when I first arrived, because when I first came, I came to *Chicago*.

[Noise - beep, beep]

UCE: Oh, please be quiet!

SUB: Maybe it is the *seatbelt--*

UCE: Leave us alone--

SUB: Like my car [UI] *seatbelt*.

UCE: I do not know anything about this car. What do they want from me?

SUB: [Laughs]

UCE: In Egypt, if you wear the *seatbelt*, you get a ticket. [Laughs]

SUB: [Laughs]

UCE: In Egypt, they want, they want us to--

SUB: [UI]

UCE: They want us to die.

SUB: And it is very slow. [Laughs]

UCE: Do you want, er...?

SUB: Nothing.

UCE: Oh, by Allah, come on, *Marlboro light*?

SUB: May Allah keep you, nothing.

UCE: Do you want to drink anything?

SUB: May Allah keep you safe. I had something to drink when I was on the road, when I came here, now thank Allah I am *full*. I can't eat or drink or anything.

UCE: Don't you want *Coca Cola, croissant--*?

SUB: Nothing.

UCE: *Water*?

SUB: Nothing, I do not drink *soda*.

UCE: Okay, stay, wait, wait. Take this.

SUB: No.

UCE: By Allah almighty.

SUB: Listen.

UCE: I swore by Allah.

SUB: I--

UCE: I swore by Allah, I swore by Allah. I insist, I insist, my dear.

SUB: I am not--

UCE: My dear--

SUB: I am not the type who--

UCE: [UI]

SUB: --smokes a lot.

UCE: For later, for later, keep it with you.

SUB: Okay, okay.

UCE: Do you want to--?

SUB: It is going to remind me of you.

UCE: It is a cigarette box, a box, it is not a problem.

SUB: I try not to smoke a lot.

UCE: By Allah, me too, a person's nerves need--

SUB: When my father comes, I will not smoke, and--

UCE: I have never smoked in front of my father, ever.

SUB: It has been a week since I smoked, but today when I was on the way, I said, I mean, I can smoke a little. Work has made me smoke, because I work long hours, then I leave for a ten minute *break every three, two...three...two hours.*

UCE: It is not a problem. One cigarette once in a while is not a problem. Do you smoke hookah?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Hookah?

SUB: Uh-huh, I had one.

UCE: They say it is better than cigarettes, but they are all bad.

SUB: By Allah, they are all, they are all bad for the health.

UCE: Yeah, they are all bad for your health. You are parked around here, aren't you?

SUB: Yeah.

UCE: Where is your car?

SUB: [UI]

UCE: You don't need anything?

SUB: May Allah keep you safe.

UCE: May Allah keep you.

SUB: Allah willing, I will see you again.

UCE: Okay, Allah willing, we will talk to you soon.

SUB: [UI]

UCE: Give me several days, then I will be calling you, Allah willing.

SUB: Allah willing.

UCE: And when you open the, er--

SUB: The *e-mail*?

UCE: [REDACTED], yeah, send me from the [REDACTED]

SUB: Okay.

UCE: And I will send you *e-mail*.

SUB: Allah willing.

UCE: Okay, may Allah keep you.

SUB: Okay, peace be with you.

UCE: And peace and Allah's mercy and blessings be with you. Take care.

SUB: I was honored to meet you.

UCE: I was honored. I am happy to meet you. I am happy to meet you. May Allah keep you. [UI]

SUB: May Allah keep you.

UCE: May Allah keep you.

[Noise - beep]

[UCE records a message] UCE [REDACTED] *Just finished meeting with the subject, at hotel Holiday Inn, in [UI]. It is, er, April 22nd 2009, time is 12:14PM.*

[End of recording]