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1 payment."

2 A I believe that would have been within the

3 responsibility of a combination of (b)(7)(C)

4 Q Do you know how they handled that responsibility?

5 A I'm sorry, be more specific.

6 Q Do you know whether (b)(7)(C) weighed in on

7 decisions to make specific guerrilla payments?

8 A Not specifically.

9 Q What do you know generally?

10 A That (b)(7)(C) would periodically talk about

11 the guerrilla payments and make judgments about, decisions

12 about those.

13 Q Okay. I want to differentiate between (b)(7)(C)

14 and (b)(7)(C) talking about the payments after they have

15 already been made?

16 A Right.

17 Q And before they were being made?

18 A Right. To the best of my knowledge, there were

19 conversations that took place both before and after.

20 Q Okay. What is that understanding based on?

21 A Discussions with John.

22 Q Did (b)(7)(C) tell you that he was involved in

23 approving specific payments before they were being made?

24 A Specific payments? No.

25 Q What is the focus on specific payments?

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1 A Well, in other words, he wouldn't have pointed out

2 a specific payment and said, "I was involved in this specific

3 payment." It was more in the general terms of, "We continue

4 to make guerrilla payments. I continue to have dialogue with

5 (b)(7)(C) We have a process worked out as to how that goes

6 about being executed, so it would be in that context.

7 Q And that is generally — does that give me a good

8 idea of the level of detail?

9 A Yes.

10 Q That Ordman was giving you?

11 A Absolutely.

12 Q Okay. I am going to hand you a document that has

13 previously been marked as Commission Exhibit 18. I will give

14 you a chance to review that document with your counsel. And

15 while you do that, I will describe the document for the

16 record.

17 Commission Exhibit 18 is a multi-page document

18 spanning Bates Stamp range 2CHQ6-000633 on the first page

19 through and including 2CHQ6-000647 on the second to last

20 page. And then the final page for whatever reason continues

21 to be 2CHQ-10-000129.

22 Have you seen this document before?

23 A Yes.

24 Q When did you last see this document?

25 A Yesterday.

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1 Q Have you ever seen this document before yesterday?

2 A No.

3 Q Do you recall having a meeting with (b)(7)(C) in

4 May of 1997 where you discussed authorization and approval

5 for guerrilla payments by the Colombian operations?

6 A No, I don't recall.

7 Q The first two pages of Exhibit 18 I believe I was

8 told represent an agenda of sorts for a discussion that you

9 had with (b)(7)(C) that date. And you will see at the top

10 there is a little cutoff, but it is, "Discussion with (b)(7)(C)

11 (b)(7)(C) Do you see that up there?

12 A Yes.

13 Q Okay. I want to go through this with regard to the

14 specific points and ask you if you recall discussing this

15 with (b)(7)(C)

16 A Okay.

17 Q Even if you do not recall the specific date.

18 A Right.

19 Q Just the topic of discussion. Okay?

20 Next to Number 1 in the middle there, it says, "Had

21 difficulty getting support and documentation in the past,

22 now have it for last four years, '93, '94, '95, '96." Do you

23 see that there?

24 A Yes.

25 Q Okay. Do you recall discussing that with (b)(7)(C)

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1 (b)(7)(C)

2 A No.

3 Q Number 2, as best I can make out — let me go back

4 to Number 1 for a minute because this seems to take off on

5 that. Number 1 says, "(b)(7)(C) have completed our work on

6 looking at manager's expense and security payments in

7 Colombia."

8 Do you remember having a meeting that followed up

9 on (b)(7)(C) looking into security payments in

10 Colombia?

11 A Okay. Say that again.

12 Q After Number 1 on the front page it says, "(b)(7)(C)

13 (b)(7)(C) since these have been represented to me,

14 these are (b)(7)(C) notes, I take it to be (b)(7)(C)

15 (b)(7)(C) have completed our work on looking at manager's expense

16 and security payments in Colombia."

17 A (b)(7)(C)

18 Q This somewhat suggests to me that that was the

19 focus of this discussion.

20 A Mm-hum.

21 Q Do you recall having a discussion with (b)(7)(C)

22 and (b)(7)(C) that was a report or a follow up on them having

23 looked at security payments in Colombia?

24 A Not in that context.

25 Q Okay. I want to move down to Number 3 on page 1.



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