

I, the undersigned, [REDACTED], ID No. [REDACTED], state under oath in English as follows:

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On or about 2009 I received a telephone call from [REDACTED] friend of mine, who was renting a flat from me at [REDACTED] [REDACTED], Bedfordview. Essentially [REDACTED] advised me that a certain George Smith, as he was known at that time, wanted a meeting with me and Tony. We agreed to meet later at a place called 'Medium Rare' a restaurant on van Burren Road, in Bedfordview. Its now known as Family Rib Restaurant.

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We met up at about 20h00 that evening. I noticed that there was some sort of atmosphere between [REDACTED] & George, as if they were challenging for the pecking order below Radovan Krejcir. [REDACTED] is known to me as being born in the Czech Republic from Greek parents, and is therefore fluent, in Greek, Czech and English.

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This was the first time I had ever met with George Smith, although I had seen him around the area before and knew what he looked like. I might have spoken to him briefly, like maybe a greeting or something like that. By this stage I already knew Krejcir, as I lived in the area. I think I might have met him via the bike racing, as my nephews compete and I had seen him at a biking event. One day Krejcir approached me and greeted me. I know about him through [REDACTED] [REDACTED], as [REDACTED] worked for him. [REDACTED] had told me that Radovan would pay for him, [REDACTED] to have accommodation, so I rented [REDACTED] a flat, but Radovan paid the rent.

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The house Krejcir bought in Bedfordview was also bought by Krejcir from Shane Hall, who was also a friend of mine. He was a director of a medical aid company called Genmed. Returning now to the meeting at Medium Rare. I've been trying to recall when this meeting would have taken place, but am not absolutely certain, but feel it may have been late 2009.

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Then George Smith came right out and said *'Radovan wants to employ you to do a job for him. He wants to send you overseas to do a 'hit' on a guy and wants to know how much of a fee you will charge for doing this.'* I was completely taken aback by this, but did not want to immediately shut off the conversation, as I was curious as to what they were talking about. I therefore enquired further.

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Then [REDACTED] and George got into heated argument, in Greek and I thought George was going to hit [REDACTED] and I stepped in and stopped it. Then George said, 'they' would send me to Germany to do a hit on a certain person. He also said 'Don't worry about weapons, we'll give you a weapon on that side.' The way he said this, it was clear he was bragging about 'their' abilities to set up hits and arrange weapons and so on.

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He said 'they' had been doing this for a while. [REDACTED] then explained to me, that George Smith is Radovan's 'hit-man'. George then went on to say that, he was acting on behalf of Radovan and that he was the 'agent' or fall-guy for Radovan and that he would arrange payment, trips, weapons and so forth. He said this was the way it had to work, as Radovan could not discuss such things himself, as this could compromise him.

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There was talk about money, but there was no actual figure mentioned. He wanted to know what I would charge for the job, and he would have to clear it with Radovan. I then asked who the 'hit' was to be on and George said they would only tell me about that later. I had the impression that George knew who the hit was to be, but would not tell me. In fact, they were trying to find out, firstly, if I would do the hit, next what it would cost and then they would get back to me. I never gave them a price. I subsequently asked [REDACTED] what was going on.

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I made it clear to [REDACTED] that I was not able to help them with this sort of thing and that he must be crazy to be getting mixed up with this sort of shit. I need to reiterate that [REDACTED] was by this time staying in one of my apartments and Radovan was paying the rent.

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Soon after my rejection of this 'hit' offer, the rent stopped being paid. In addition, another deal, whereby a friend I had introduced to George Smith, to help sell some cars for Radovan. I introduced George to [REDACTED], who owned a dealership in Randburg called, '[REDACTED]' just off Jan Smuts Avenue. My understanding is that [REDACTED] bought two cars from Radovan and Radovan was paid cash, but never supplied the papers for the cars.

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As a result of my worries that there had been an attempt to recruit a hit-man, I decided I should tell someone about it. At the time, I knew Kevin Trytsman, whom I believed to be an employee

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of the National Intelligence Agency, so I met with him at his house at Villa Abrosia, in Bedfordview and I told him about the events with Radovan and how they wanted to recruit me to go overseas to kill someone. In my presence, Trytsman called [REDACTED] and told him he had some information for him about Radovan Krejcir.

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A few days later, I bumped into Trytsman again and he told me I would get a call from a guy by the name of [REDACTED], who called me from telephone number [REDACTED], and he said we should meet. We subsequently met a few days later at Wiesenhoff Coffee shop near the Linksfield off ramp of the N3. There was another guy with [REDACTED], I think his name was [REDACTED].

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I told them about the discussion I had with George Smith, wherein George had tried to recruit me to kill someone in Germany. [REDACTED] then said that they wanted me to go along with the plan, to agree to get involved. I was planning to do this, through [REDACTED], but first of all wanted to sort out my rental money.

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As a result of the rental story, things between myself and Krejcir, became a little tense. I had an argument with Radovan on the phone and I asked for my money, on the rent. There was R15,000 owing at that time. During the discussion about the money, Krejcir said words something like *'Listen, just do this job overseas for me, you will have plenty of money.'* I then said I could not do that sort of thing. He said, *'Listen, everything will be taken care of, we will arrange the flights, the weapon will be handed to you and we will give you addresses photographs, everything'*. I again made it clear that I was not in that line of business and just wanted the money owing to me and he had better pay the money. We had heated words and swore at each other.

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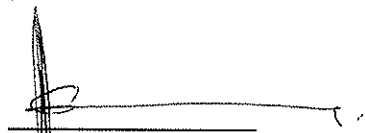
I subsequently went looking for Radovan, as I wanted to see him face-to-face and tell him I wanted my rent money. I then bumped into Michael Arsiotis outside News Café and I asked him where Radovan was, as I wanted my money. An hour or two later, I got a call from Cyril Beeka and he told me to take it easy, he would sort this out. He subsequently paid the rent into my account by EFT.

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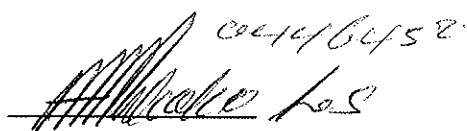
At the same time, [REDACTED] and Radovan also had a fall-out and [REDACTED] was also getting sick, so he packed his bags and moved out of South Africa. It was not possible for this thing to

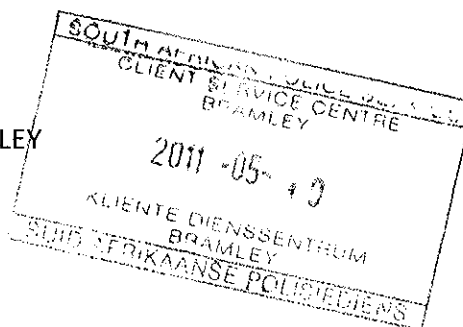
be done with me cooperating with Radovan, as [REDACTED] had gone overseas and I was also not now seeing eye-to-eye with Krejcir. I think [REDACTED] called me at some stage, to find out if it was going ahead and I just told him that it would not be possible, as [REDACTED] had gone overseas and I was not now really talking to Radovan.

I know and understand the contents of this statement. I have no objection to taking the prescribed oath, which I consider binding on my conscience.

  
[REDACTED]

This done and sworn to before me at Johannesburg, this 19<sup>th</sup> Day of May 2011, the deponent having acknowledged that he knows and understand the contents, that he has no objection to taking the prescribed oath and that he consider the prescribed oath to be binding on his conscience.

  
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