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RECORD OF CONVERSATION BETWEEN SUPERINTENDENT JEFFREY PHILLIP PENROSE AND MR GRAHAM JOHN SCHORER CONDUCTED IN THE OFFICE OF GOLDEN MESSENGER NORTH MELBOURNE VICTORIA ON THURSDAY THE 10TH OF FEBRUARY 1994

TIME COMMENCED: 11.40 A.M.

PRESENT: Detective Superintendent PENROSE
Detective Sergeant COCHRANE
Mr Graham SCHORER
Mrs Amanda DAVIS

Q1. Graham as I've already explained to you Detective Sergeant COCHRANE and I are investigating allegations in relation to the activities of Telecom or Telstra as they're known which relate to alleged interceptions of telephone services that is in general terms. I'd like to ask you some further questions about this matter and your answers will be recorded on the tape recorder as our interview progresses. Do you understand the format of the interview here today?

A. I do sir.

Q2. For the purpose of this interview could you please give me your full name, date of birth and home address?

A. Yes Graham John SCHORER, born the 16th of January 1931 Subiaco Perth West Australia and current reside at Unit 4, 28 Kensington Road South Yarra.

Q3. Amanda could you please give me your full name, date of birth and home address?

DAVIS Amanda Elaine DAVIS, date of birth the 12th of May 1950, home address 28 Rowe Street North Fitzroy Victoria.

Q4. What's your occupation?

A. Managing Director.

Q5. Of?

A. A transport company called Golden, Golden Messenger.

Q6. Could I please have your home address as well?

A. Sorry.

Q7. Could I have your home address as well?

A. Yeah Unit 4 28 Kensington Road, South Yarra.

Q8. And the name of your occupation is?

to us. Apparently the Managing Director of the Australian company went right to the top within Telecom and said you are ridiculous this is bloody corporate property and then we are not supplying them intelligence we're supplying them black boxes how dare you intimidate our business and I believe after that intervention he is, are now ready to continue buying their computers. That's a classic example of how Telecom operates. I used to have many accounts with Telecom where you know I service many branches I think we service 27 branches of Telecom it's very interesting once the Court and..... happened and I went public I now have none.

- Q88. What do you mean service them?
- A. Twenty seven divisions of Telecom are using my services.
- Q89. Courier services?
- A. Yes and not a contract basis on an adhoc basis but not all of them were in the main I now have none.
- Q90. Can I go back to the Telecom ex employee?
- A. Yes.
- Q91. In relation to Senator ALSTON what type of information was this person going to
- A. I believe this person was going to give information about Telecom's knowledge and what's causing the problems. I believe this person is going to also give knowledge about how widespread it is that Telecom monitor and intercepting tape calls. I also understand that this person will possibly give evidence about how Telecom have been monitoring prominent people.
- Q92. I take it there is nothing more that you want to add in relation to that issue could I just and I understand that you were going to speak to the person whose in touch with this person and that you will get back to us on the basis of attempting to have this person speak to us?
- A. Yes, yes. I have another person who doesn't want to be named either and he, and he rang me up to inform me about his knowledge of live monitoring and taping and I asked him about coming forward with the Senate

enquiry etc he said no I will see now that I've spoken to you people now that you people are involved I'll ask him if I can have his permission to put you in touch with him. He's got a very interesting story to tell also.

Q93. In relation to?

A. Taping.

Q94. Are these people located in Victoria?

A. One is I don't know whether that person is going to come.

Q95. and hopefully you'll get back to us with either those two matters develop

A. Yes, yes. There is another gentleman that, that gentleman that rang this morning you remember oh what's his name, I wrote his name down oh he's an ex Telecom employee apparently he brought to Telecom's attention about, they think he's a nutter.

DAVIS I think his case has been, I think his name is Jeff MARR(?)

A. That's the man.

DAVIS He brought up with Telecom the question of rorts in travel allowances quite some time ago and maintains that he has been victimised, pursued and hounded out of Telecom. To my knowledge he doesn't work with Telecom anymore but I think his case has been done to death...

A. And his evidence is there he's got evidence that Telecom were tapping his calls.

Q96. And he was involved in a, some sort of problem with travel allowance?

A. No, no he was the one that blew the whistle he brought to Telecom senior management that the rorts were going on in overtime and travel allowance and that sort of thing how people were ripping off Telecom and as a result he got hounded out the.

Q97. What action was taken about that do you know?

A. My understanding none.

Q98. Do you know Mr MARR is no longer employed by Telecom?

A. No but he's got all the evidence they were monitoring his calls, his home calls.

Q99. Have you got his phone number?

A. Yes I have. I've got his telephone number and his address.

Q100. Did he tell you what type of evidence he had on monitoring.

A. Written evidence.

Q101. Written from whom?

A. Telecom. They never admitted to taping him but they admitted to live monitoring him.

Q102. For what purpose fault finding?

A. That was the excuse but he never complained about his phone. I'll look amongst the pieces of paper here and I'll phone him.

PENROSE While you're looking for Mr Maher.

A. And that is the gentleman who wrote to me about the, his concern of Telecom allowing other organisations to tap into their computer they have unlimited access to Telecom's computer files on their customers.

Q103. That's Mr Chris NEESON(?) of 69 Shaftsbury Parade, Thornbury, Victoria?

A. Yes, yes. Very brave man.

Q104. Was he a Telecom employee?

A. Ex. Again he, now this is the man that took it to Senator COLLINS and to Austel.

Q105. Is there a letter in here that he wrote to you?

A. Yes there is, no not there now but I'll, there was a letter in there yes I'll give you a copy of that letter.

PENROSE Yes please.

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- A. And this is Mr MAHER's address here and telephone number.
- Q106. Have you got a contact number for Mr NEESON, telephone number?
- A. Yes it is it's on his letter.
- PENROSE Thank you. And Mr Jeff MAHER is 3 Milham Street, Forestville I think it is.
- A. Forestville New South Wales 2087.
- Q107. And telephone number 02 4526209 and that's Crescent not street. Are there any other people who you feel we should speak to Graham?
- A. I believe you've got to speak to Allan SMITH in Portland, Garry DAWSON, Colin TURNER, definitely John DIXON oh Denise LOVEY, Denise LOVEY there's Denise LOVEY, Anne GARMS naturally and Maureen GILLAM as well and definitely Anne BRYANT. Now what I didn't tell you about Anne BRYANT is Anne BRYANT's business was broken into and her Telecom file was taken.
- Q108. When was that?
- A. Some time last year.
- Q109. No doubt she can tell us about that?
- A. Yes.
- PENROSE All right. If there's no other people which you wish to identify.
- A. Oh I can talk about two, did I tell you about Frank BLOUNT ringing me and what he said. Well I had this conversation with Frank BLOUNT and also Steven BLACK. Frank BLOUNT tells me that according to the knowledge he's received to date Telecom have only done this four times in the history of Telecom.
- Q110. Done what?
- A. Live monitored and taped people and I informed Frank BLOUNT that that was incorrect and he is saying of the four people only one was done without their knowledge and consent and I said to him he is also misinformed on that. I also brought to Frank BLOUNT's attention about Garry DAWSON, LOVEY'S and

Colin TURNER and what happened with Allan SMITH. He asked me to put something in writing, I put something in writing just to see, see what their response would be, and most importantly what Frank BLOUNT said he asked Ken and never gave Ken's surname, he asked Ken for what reason did they do this and he, he was saying to Ken but you know we sent out this directive in 91 and he was satisfied that it was just an oversight. I also told him that I was concerned about my contracts because of the way my phones move around here.

Q111. This was?

A. I have since taken this up with Ian CAMPBELL that Frank BLOUNT was not getting the full information. I then brought up to Ian CAMPBELL's attention how I got Robert MASON from London to ring me 9.30 last Monday whatever the date was since and confirmed that they had put the question to all the people they interviewed within Telecom about live monitoring and taping and no one had acknowledge any knowledge of it. I now know that Graham POWELLS was one of the people because you have a look at the back of the, the Cooper Lybrand report and lists all the people who were interviewed Graham POWELLS was interviewed and no he did not divulge information, Don PINEL also was interviewed he did not divulge information. There's a Ken BEATTIE in there I do not know whether the Ken that Frank BLOUNT was referring to in actual fact was Ken BEATTIE. I have a strong suspicion that that could be the case and if that's the case he's not going to acknowledge and what I'm more interested in knowing is with this information going up I'm also wondering whether Doug CAMPBELL knew about it because what we found in a brief-case left at Allan SMITH's premises was Doug CAMPBELL was across the cases.

Q112. What brief-case is this?

A. This is a brief-case that was left at Allan SMITH's premises by the network engineers.

Q113. A Telecom man?

A. Yes and it had information in there about North Melbourne and Allan SMITH where Allan SMITH had evidence proving and Allan SMITH was lied to when he entered to settle with Telecom.

DAVIS I think it's probably best to let Allan talk about