

1 **WITF-06122011.001**

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3 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: The time - time is 1.30 pm on
4 Tuesday the 6th day of December 2011. Detective
5 Inspector John O'Connor about to ring Witness F.

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7 WITNESS F: Hello.

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9 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Nicola, it's John O'Connor from
10 Victoria Police.

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12 (DIAL TONE)

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14 WITNESS F: Hello.

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16 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Nicola, it's John O'Connor from
17 Victoria Police.

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19 WITNESS F: Hello?

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21 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, Nicola. Are you there,
22 Nicola, it's John O'Connor from Victoria Police, how are
23 you?

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25 WITNESS F: yourself?

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27 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, goin' - oh, goin' all
28 right. I'm - I'm about to take - take a fair bit of
29 leave so I'm - - -

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31 WITNESS F:

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2 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: NO, no, I'll be - be around town
3 so - Nicola, purpose of my call is just to let you know
4 that I'm - I'm not back at work until the 1st of
5 March - - -

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7 WITNESS F: That's a good break.

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9 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, so it is a good break.

10 And one of my [REDACTED] here, ^{Richards-O} will be
11 your point of contact.

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13 WITNESS F: I know him.

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15 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yep, so that's - so the - the
16 number that you've got to call, if you so choose to call,
17 ^{Richards-O} will call you back. O.K.?

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19 WITNESS F: Yeah, O.K. John, just as a matter of course, if I
20 should have the need to contact the police because of
21 suspicious threats or anything, should I be ringing your
22 number or local police?

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24 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: No, if there's - there's
25 anything to do with your personal security and you - you
26 think it warrants it, you should be ringing triple 0 for
27 obviously immediate - - -

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29 WITNESS F: Yeah, but if it, if it - - -

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31 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: - - - stuff.

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2 WITNESS F: Yeah, if it's

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4 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Sorry?

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6 WITNESS F: If it's a car that's hanging around and it's not

7 still ring triple O?

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9 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, I'd ring triple O and let

10 the uniform police handle it at this stage, and

11 then - - -

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13 WITNESS F: O.K.

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15 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: - - - and then go from there.

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17 WITNESS F: And then it will come - filter through to the right

18 section.

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20 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, well, they'll - the local

21 police will deal with it in the first instance.

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23 WITNESS F: O.K.

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25 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: All right?

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27 WITNESS F: Yeah, I'm actually going to hospital in an hour

28 for surgery on my leg. I've got another hole from the

29 stress of the last couple of months.

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31 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Oh, well, I hope that - which

1 hospital are you going into, Nicola?

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3 WITNESS F: [REDACTED]

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5 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: [REDACTED], are you?

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7 WITNESS F: Yep.

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9 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Where - where - [REDACTED], in

10 [REDACTED]?

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12 WITNESS F: No, no, no, in [REDACTED].

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14 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: In [REDACTED].

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16 WITNESS F: Yes.

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18 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: All right.

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20 WITNESS F: You know, you don't - you know, you don't get a
21 say, it's where the surgeon where you wants you to be.

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23 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yes, yes. Wouldn't mind being a
24 surgeon, Nicola.

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26 WITNESS F: Oh, tell you what, I reckon, I've paid for the -
27 I'm - this - I just worked out this is general
28 anaesthetic number 15, this afternoon.

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30 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Oh, jeepers.

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1 WITNESS F: So I reckon I've paid for this bloke's latest Audi.
2 But, you know, having said that it's 14 years to get
3 where they are so I suppose they work pretty hard for
4 what they charge in the end.

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6 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, then when you're - and
7 when you're unconscious and they've knives in you and
8 that I'm more than happy to pay whatever to - - -

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10 WITNESS F: That's right.

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12 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: - - - to make - - -

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14 WITNESS F: And, you know, John, you're absolutely right
15 because I don't have the slightest bit of concern about
16 this afternoon. I'm very relaxed about it. My biggest
17 concern is that the media who have been driving me
18 completely insane lately, would - would find out
19 track me down 'cause I'm - - -

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21 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah.

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23 WITNESS F: I won't be able to - I can't walk but, you know,
24 other than - and it's - and it's principally that
25 deranged maniacs from the - from the Sunday Herald Sun,
26 which is why I don't - it's unusual for me to answer the
27 phone because you up come up as private number and that's
28 the number - he - he rings from a private number.

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30 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah. Nicola, I hope your
31 operation is the 15th and the last one. And - - -

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2 WITNESS F: Oh, so do I, so do I.

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4 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: And have a good Christmas and

5 I'll - I will speak to you when I'm back at work in

6 March. O.K.?

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8 WITNESS F: all right. Have a good, break, John.

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10 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Yeah, take care, Nicola, bye.

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12 WITNESS F: O.K., see ya, bye.

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14 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Bye.

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16 DETECTIVE INSPECTOR O'CONNOR: Time is now 1.37 pm. Recording

17 finishing.

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