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TAPE #55
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2:46 P.M. - 4:04 P.M.

1 (tape #55 started in middle of sentence)
2 DICK: -- Okay.
3 STEVE: So between two and three --
4 DICK: Well, you give me a call --
5 STEVE: -- that's quiet hour.
6 DICK: Okay, and you're going to give me a
7 call around 3:15 then?
8 STEVE: Yeah, I will do that.
9 DICK: Fair enough.
10 STEVE: Talk to you then, Jim.
11 DICK: All right, yeah, bye.
12 * * * * *
13 SITA: Hello.
14 DICK: Hi, who's this? Sita?
15 SITA: Yes.
16 DICK: How are you? This is Dick. How are
17 you doing?
18 SITA: I'm doing fine, thanks.
19 DICK: Good. Did you get a chance to look
20 at the pictures we sent in for you?
21 SITA: Yes. They were beautiful.
22 DICK: Good. I'm glad you're happy with
23 them? Do you feel a little more comfortable now?
24 SITA: Yes, a little bit.
25 DICK: Good. What do you mean a little bit?

1 I hear -- it sounds like a small child in the
2 background that I hear.

3 SITA: Yeah.

4 DICK: Well the tape -- apparently the tape
5 never was, there was nothing on that tape. Did you --
6 are you still there?

7 [gap]

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9 STEVE: Hello.

10 DICK: Hello.

11 STEVE: Hello, Dick?

12 DICK: Yeah, can you hear me?

13 STEVE: Crazy phone, yeah, -- you see it's
14 got -- it's a phone that has two lines into it and
15 there's a --

16 DICK: Okay.

17 STEVE: Once in a while if one is being
18 touched or pushed that happens.

19 DICK: Okay, all right. Yeah, I spoke --

20 STEVE: I've got, I've got a few people here
21 that want to speak with you, so.

22 DICK: Okay. Listen, while I'm talking to
23 them, I just want to let you know there is another
24 press conference --

25 STEVE: At what time?

1 DICK: Coming up at 3:30, so you just might
2 want to be alert to that.

3 STEVE: Okay. So I'll let them know that
4 you'll talk with them about --

5 DICK: Yeah.

6 STEVE: -- ten minutes and --

7 DICK: Yeah, send them --

8 STEVE: -- then, like yourself, we will be
9 viewing that press conference.

10 DICK: Okay, and I'll get back to you as
11 soon as that's over.

12 STEVE: Okay, thanks Dick.

13 DICK: Fair enough.

14 STEVE: Here's Kathy Schroeder.

15 DICK: Okay.

16 KATHY: Hello, Dick.

17 DICK: Hi Kathy, how are you?

18 KATHY: Pretty good.

19 DICK: Good. You get a chance to take a
20 look at the photo?

21 KATHY: Yes, I did.

22 DICK: And your children are in there?

23 KATHY: Yes.

24 DICK: Okay. Which children are yours,
25 Kathy?

1 KATHY: Scott, Jacob, Kristen and Brian.

2 DICK: Scott, Jacob, Kristen and Brian.

3 KATHY: And I'm, and the other night I
4 talked to Scott and Krissy, and then when I talked to
5 Jake, I didn't get much of a chance to talk to him.

6 DICK: Okay.

7 KATHY: And at the time I didn't even know
8 if he was with Scott and Krissy.

9 DICK: Okay, well, the kids are all
10 together. I think you -- I hope you feel more
11 comfortable about that.

12 KATHY: And I wanted to check on Brian
13 because he did have a fever Sunday, and he was
14 throwing up Monday night before he left and I wanted
15 to check on his health right now.

16 DICK: Okay. Well, I'll make note of that
17 and -- in other words one child I know that was taken
18 to the doctor that may have had pneumonia.

19 KATHY: But you don't know who it was?

20 DICK: No, that, that is, that is him.
21 That's he and he was given antibiotics.

22 KATHY: Okay.

23 DICK: Yeah. His fever is down, gone, and
24 those antibiotics I think took care of it. Of course,
25 they usually do pretty quickly if it doesn't get too

1 far along. So, yeah.

2 KATHY: He was real bad Sunday and Monday.

3 DICK: I know he was very concerned about
4 you not being there, and obviously you've got the four
5 kids there. You want to get to them as soon as you
6 can.

7 KATHY: He was, he is very young, so, I mean
8 --

9 DICK: Sure he is.

10 KATHY: He'll be three Sunday and he just --

11 DICK: Those kids grow up quickly too, don't
12 they?

13 KATHY: -- hasn't been away from me very
14 often so it's hard on him.

15 DICK: Sure it is. It's hard on you too.

16 KATHY: But --

17 DICK: As a father, you know, I understand
18 those kinds of things.

19 KATHY: Yeah.

20 DICK: Well, he'll be fine, but do you know
21 what? You know how we can get -- you need to -- care
22 yourself. Now, were you one of those people that had
23 specific instructions to give the kids about where
24 they wanted to stay?

25 KATHY: Yes.

1 DICK: Okay, and the kids had that. And I
2 told the, Steve and David, the kids are all together
3 now, and --

4 KATHY: I know they're going to be going to
5 the Child Protective Agency, but I --

6 DICK: Well let's hope you -- let's hope
7 that that doesn't happen, okay?

8 KATHY: Yeah --

9 DICK: I'm certainly not going to tell you
10 it's not going to happen at some point in time.

11 KATHY: But if it were to happen, I just, I
12 just, I just know it's going to be a real hassle for
13 the kids to have to go through a lot of, you know,
14 different homes and different places if they're not
15 placed immediately with their father.

16 DICK: Well, I know that and you know that
17 and, and we're going to try to deal with those issues
18 as best we can.

19 KATHY: I mean, I would have them here with
20 me if it were up to me.

21 DICK: Well, I'm sure the kids want to be
22 with you too.

23 KATHY: But for their own safety is why
24 they're out there.

25 DICK: Well --

1 KATHY: Because there's no telling what
2 these people are going to do to us.

3 DICK: Well, now, what people are you
4 talking about?

5 KATHY: Oh, I know what's out there.

6 DICK: Well, but I mean, when you say,
7 "these people" you are including me because I'm one of
8 these people out here and I'm telling you --

9 KATHY: But you may not have the, the same
10 mind frame as some of the others that are out there
11 just doing their jobs.

12 DICK: Well, no, I can answer that for you
13 and, you know, I've tried to communicate this as --
14 have the other fellows that have talked to some of the
15 folks out there and that isn't going to be done.
16 Look, how far along are we? It was Sunday? This is
17 Friday. No one has been hurt. No one is going to be
18 hurt and we're going to reunite you, reunite you and
19 your kids and all the other folks in there with their
20 kids.

21 KATHY: Well then why are they still here?
22 You know? I don't understand it. We don't want to
23 come out there.

24 DICK: Uh-huh.

25 KATHY: We have no -- no law says we have to

1 | come out there, so --

2 | DICK: Well, listen. Obviously there's,
3 | there's a problem here that's got to be straightened
4 | out. You know, we can't walk away, that or just deny
5 | that it didn't happen, right?

6 | KATHY: I'm sure there's, there's, you know,
7 | lot's of stuff that you have to do, but, myself, you
8 | know, I have a home here --

9 | DICK: Sure.

10 | KATHY: -- and I do not want to leave my
11 | home.

12 | DICK: I can understand that but we, all you
13 | folks are going to have to be interviewed just as all
14 | the participants from the ATF are going to have to be
15 | interviewed, and the way to do that is just be
16 | interviewed, get your interview done and get back with
17 | your life, get back to your life. That's the answer
18 | to that.

19 | I'm not going to be -- I hope you're not naive to
20 | believe that we're just going to walk away from there.

21 | KATHY: And I hope you're not under the --
22 | thinking that we don't know, I mean, as close as the
23 | people have come to our building itself, that, you
24 | know, we don't think they're just going to stand there
25 | and wait forever.

1 DICK: Well, listen. I'm going to tell you
2 that nobody is going to make any moves out there at
3 all. Okay. We went over, I don't know if they
4 instructed you folks, but yesterday we went over the
5 safety rules and -- We're you made aware of those
6 rules? Those safety rules? We call them safety
7 rules. They for both of our mutual protections. Are
8 you aware of those?

9 KATHY: I, I'm not sure exactly what you're
10 talking about.

11 DICK: Okay, well, yesterday we discussed
12 some of the things that we're concerned about for
13 safety issues. Which is, as long as no one inside
14 there makes any offensive moves at any of the folks
15 that are outside there, in return we're not going to
16 do anything either. I think we have to look at the
17 positive side of this. Since Sunday --

18 KATHY: What do you mean by anything though?
19 I mean --

20 DICK: In other words, we don't want anybody
21 carrying around weapons. We don't want anybody
22 standing at the windows sighting through scopes and
23 those kinds of things.

24 KATHY: But, what I'm saying is, we haven't
25 made any of the those types of --

1 DICK: No, and I appreciate that.

2 KATHY: But we have things on our property
3 making all kinds of moves which, you know, offensive
4 moves can be made and not even known about by the --
5 by anyone else.

6 DICK: Okay, but again we discussed these
7 rules yesterday for safety, and there -- it's not
8 going to happen, I mean, nobody's going to be hurt.
9 There's not going to be any further injury and we're
10 all concerned about that. It's just not going to
11 happen.

12 KATHY: If it doesn't happen, praise the
13 Lord, but that, I mean, I can't, I can't say what your
14 men out there feel, what, you know --

15 DICK: Well, but, I'll tell you how they're
16 feel, how they feel, and that is, you know, obviously
17 with the passage of time, people get a little
18 impatient and, like I was telling the fellows today,
19 some, sometimes, you know, somebody runs up and down
20 the road in a vehicle, it doesn't impact on you or us.
21 It's, it's not, it just isn't going to, you know, in
22 terms of our discussion, it isn't going to mean a
23 thing. Nobody is going to come in there, nobody is
24 going to do anything to harm you or any of the other
25 folks in there, your kids --

1 KATHY: What do you mean by in there?

2 DICK: I'm talking about in the compound
3 there.

4 KATHY: You mean in the building?

5 DICK: In all the buildings. Yes. We're,
6 we're not going to do that.

7 KATHY: But they are in some buildings and
8 they are on the property.

9 DICK: Well, now, I don't know what you're
10 referring to. What are you referring to? In what
11 buildings? You're suggesting that we have people
12 inside the building? The property?

13 KATHY: Not in the main building that we are
14 in, but there are, you do have people on our property,
15 yes.

16 DICK: Where are you talking about? You're
17 talking about in those, in those vehicles out there?

18 KATHY: Yes.

19 DICK: Oh, yes, we do have, certainly.

20 KATHY: And I'm sure they have been out of
21 their vehicles and in other places on our property.

22 DICK: I have been assured that that is not
23 the case. Now, have you person --

24 KATHY: I'm assuring you that it is.

25 DICK: Have you personally seen or heard

1 somebody?

2 KATHY: All right, let me tell you, let me
3 tell you exactly.

4 DICK: Okay.

5 KATHY: We have a white barn, dairy barn.

6 DICK: Okay, a white dairy barn.

7 KATHY: Down at the back of the property.

8 DICK: Okay.

9 KATHY: And there is at least one, if not
10 more, tanks stationed at that barn.

11 DICK: Okay, that might be. I mean, I
12 don't, I'm not going to argue with you.

13 KATHY: Three days, three days ago the light
14 was on in the barn. Yesterday it was turned off. It
15 has been off. That means that someone had to go in
16 the barn. Is that not true?

17 DICK: If someone went in and turned it off,
18 yes, and I certainly wouldn't argue that point with
19 you.

20 KATHY: That's the only way, there's the
21 only way of turning it off.

22 DICK: Okay.

23 KATHY: So someone has definitely gone out
24 of the vehicle and gone inside.

25 DICK: Again, I don't want to argue that

1 point because --

2 KATHY: Okay, well that's why I'm saying --

3 DICK: -- it's, it's kind of a minor point,
4 but I'm saying that there are other ways for lights to
5 go out that we all know about.

6 KATHY: And it's not, that's not the only
7 thing I've seen. That's just one.

8 DICK: Okay. Well in addition to that,
9 sometimes things are done that we believe to be
10 prudent for the safety of, of our people as well as,
11 as you folks, okay?

12 KATHY: Let me get back to the, your safety
13 rules.

14 DICK: Okay.

15 KATHY: You said, if we make no offensive
16 moves then you make no offensive moves, and I'm
17 telling you we've not made any offensive moves --

18 DICK: And we're not either.

19 KATHY: But you have.

20 DICK: Listen. We haven't come in the
21 compound at all, have we?

22 KATHY: You haven't come into the building -

23 - DICK: Yes, we're on the property, yes.
24 That is true.

25 KATHY: If you were to try to come into the

1 building, we wouldn't let you. We don't --

2 DICK: We're not going to so that's not a
3 point, a debatable point. We're not coming in.

4 KATHY: Okay, not openly you won't.

5 DICK: We're not, you know, I tried to
6 indicate this to others but maybe they haven't passed
7 it on to you. We are not going to harm any woman, any
8 child or any man in that compound. Okay?

9 KATHY: I myself, I don't know what
10 everybody's minds are. Everybody has an individual
11 mind.

12 DICK: Um-hum.

13 KATHY: And I, myself, do not trust humanity
14 enough to say, Okay, I believe you, and, you know, I'm
15 safe. That's why my kids are out there.

16 DICK: Okay.

17 KATHY: I sent my kids out there not because
18 I don't love them --

19 DICK: And the children are safe.

20 KATHY: I love them very much, and I want
21 them here with me, not me out there --

22 DICK: Okay, well I can understand that.

23 KATHY: But, because I don't trust humanity,
24 that's why they're out there.

25 DICK: Okay. Well they, they've been well

1 taken care of. They will continue to be well taken
2 care of.

3 KATHY: And I very, I very much appreciate
4 that. I did see the photos.

5 DICK: Okay.

6 KATHY: I don't know what happened with the
7 video, but --

8 DICK: Well, the video, from what I
9 understand in talking to, to Steve and a couple
10 others, that video doesn't work properly --

11 KATHY: Yeah.

12 DICK: -- and we are, we're taking steps
13 necessary to correct that.

14 KATHY: Okay. I really appreciate what
15 you've done.

16 DICK: Okay, well --

17 KATHY: And I thank you for taking care of
18 Brian's illness.

19 DICK: Okay, but listen, you give this some
20 consideration. We want to reunite you and the kids,
21 and we're not going to do anything to keep that from
22 happening. It's your mind that needs to make that
23 decision. You have the ability to make that decision.

24 It's within your power to do that and you're going to
25 have to decide yourself how soon you want to get

1 together with the kids. I can't make that decision
2 for you. There's no one that can make that decision
3 for you except for yourself. And the kids will be
4 here and they will be well cared for and they miss
5 you. They want to see you and I know you feel the
6 same way.

7 KATHY: Well, like you say. You're giving
8 me an ultimatum. I mean, the only way I can see kids
9 again, you know.

10 DICK: Well, that's not true. I didn't give
11 you an ultimatum. What, what are you saying? What
12 ultimatum?

13 KATHY: You said it's up to me to decide
14 whether I want to see my kids again.

15 DICK: Well, as long as you're in there,
16 it's a difficult, you know, how are you going to see
17 your kids? You have, you have to come out to be with
18 the kids. That's not an ultimatum, I'm just telling
19 you what, what the fact is.

20 KATHY: That's, that's what I'm saying.

21 DICK: And it may be a temporary thing. You
22 know, we're not suggesting --

23 KATHY: It may, it may not be either, okay,
24 I'm not naive. It may also be just, any way, I don't
25 want to get into that.

1 DICK: Well. I'll be happy to answer your
2 question. You're not --

3 KATHY: I don't have a question.

4 DICK: Okay.

5 KATHY: I just, I want to thank you for
6 taking care of Brian and getting him to the doctor
7 because --

8 DICK: Well you kick this around in your own
9 mind in there and think about it and I'll be happy to
10 talk to you once again, but you folks discuss this
11 amongst yourself and hopefully you'll come to the
12 realization that we're here to just ensure that no one
13 is hurt and that we will get this resolved, you will
14 be back with your kids and you'll be reunited as a
15 family. How -- what can I do to convince you that
16 that's accurate? I mean, you don't seem to want to
17 believe what I'm telling you?

18 KATHY: It would be real simple, just --

19 DICK: Okay.

20 KATHY: But it's not going to happen that
21 way.

22 DICK: Well, what, what simple answer do you
23 have for us? I mean, I'm happy to listen to it.

24 KATHY: I mean, the original reason that
25 people came here --

1 DICK: Um-hum.

2 KATHY: -- was --

3 DICK: You know, that, that event of Sunday
4 has unfortunately happened and we have to go on from
5 here to try to rectify that, ensure that it doesn't
6 happen again, to ensure that no one else is hurt, to
7 ensure that you're, that ultimately you're reunited
8 with your family. It will happen, okay?

8 KATHY: On my, on my property, --

9 DICK: On your property.

10 KATHY: -- on my home.

11 DICK: I'm, we're talking about a temporary,
12 a temporary situation for a good number of people
13 there.

14 KATHY: That's what you are saying right now
15 to me on the phone.

16 DICK: Okay. Well talk to your lawyer.
17 He'll tell you the same thing. Don't you have a
18 lawyer in there? Isn't Wayne, isn't Wayne in a
19 position to advise you to some degree about the
20 possibilities that might exist after you leave there?
21 I mean certainly he must be providing some
22 information to you about legal issues.

23 KATHY: Well --

24 DICK: And I'm sure he's not telling you
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1 that all of you are going to be sent to jail.

2 KATHY: No, he wouldn't say that, but --

3 DICK: But you believe it? Is that what you
4 believe? Is that your -- the problem that you're
5 having?

6 KATHY: I have had experience and seen what
7 has happened to people in the past in similar
8 circumstances.

9 DICK: What's your experience that you're
10 referring to?

11 KATHY: I am referring to what --

12 DICK: I'm not trying to be argumentative.

13 KATHY: Well, basically it's what -- it's
14 hard to explain. What everyone around the country now
15 is now seeing is that the people that we have in
16 authority, in government in this country, are not
17 honest. They're not coming through with their
18 promises, they're not protecting, they're --

19 DICK: Kathy, that's certainly not all
20 people --

21 KATHY: No.

22 DICK: -- in all government positions --

23 KATHY: No, --

24 DICK: -- just as --

25 KATHY: But it's enough to make a difference

1 in my life.

2 DICK: Well.

3 KATHY: See? So, I mean, you may be totally
4 honest. You may have every desire in your heart to do
5 what you say.

6 DICK: Um-hum.

7 KATHY: But I cannot, you know, take your
8 word and say that that's what they're going to do and,
9 I mean, whoever else is in authority, if I were to
10 come out as you say.

11 DICK: Well, I'm talking about the whole
12 group of you. I'm not talking about you as an
13 individual necessarily, but I'm talking about -- All
14 of you will have to make up your mind individually or
15 collectively and, and you're going to have to deal
16 with some of these issues. To try to deny these
17 issues, and try to just go on without confronting the
18 issues, it's just, you know, it's just a delaying
19 tactic, and it has to happen.

20 KATHY: Well, we are all individuals here --

21 DICK: Sure.

22 KATHY: -- and I am dealing with it in my
23 own mind, so --.

24 DICK: Well, then you're going to have to
25 make, you know, ask yourself those questions, and if

1 you can answer them -- I know that, as a parent,
2 you're concerned about your children and I appreciate
3 that and the children are concerned about you and I
4 hope that you get together with your children. I
5 really do.

6 KATHY: Just, just do me a favor and pass on
7 the message that I'm -- take, tell them to take care
8 of Brian.

9 DICK: All right.

10 KATHY: And I love them.

11 DICK: All right. We'll be in touch, then,
12 Kathy. I hope that, I hope that this is -- this works
13 out for you. I know that it will. Unfortunately you
14 just, in your own mind, just don't think that will
15 work, but I'm telling you, it's going to work fine.
16 It's going to work out for you. And it's, it's not
17 going to be easy for you but it will work out for you.

18 KATHY: Is there any possibility that you
19 can set up a way that I can talk to the children?

20 DICK: Well, that will be nearly impossible
21 and, you know, we're trying to do what we can for you
22 and that's why we got the pictures for you and the
23 video, and I apologize --

24 KATHY: Well, if you can work it out.

25 DICK: We're going to do what we can for

1 you.

2 KATHY: Okay, 'cause --

3 DICK: Who else, who else is --

4 KATHY: When I talked to Jake earlier, I
5 didn't get to say much of anything to him, so --.

6 DICK: Okay. Well, the kids will be fine,
7 but they need you. Who else is there that I might
8 speak to?

9 KATHY: Okay, here's Sita.

10 DICK: Thank you.

11 SITA: Hello.

12 DICK: Sita?

13 SITA: Sorry, the phone --

14 DICK: Yeah, we got, we got cut off a little
15 bit earlier. What did you think of the photo's?

16 SITA: They're beautiful.

17 DICK: Good. Good. The kids seem to be
18 doing well.

19 SITA: I hope so, because --

20 DICK: They're together with the other kids,
21 and they all seem to be adjusting to one another well,
22 and of course all of them miss you and the other
23 parents out there.

24 SITA: Did you guys call where, what I
25 requested? Whose parents to go with?

1 DICK: No. That has not been done. It's
2 being worked on, and I indicated to Steve earlier, and
3 I'll indicate it to you and perhaps you can pass it on
4 to others that I might not get an opportunity to talk
5 to, but, it's, the kids are together and there's,
6 efforts are being made to place them, or will be in
7 the future. We hope that you'll be out of there and
8 the kids will be with you, but we're just not in a
9 position to take the kids out at this point and they
10 have to be, you know, their health has to be assured
11 and there are, you know, some formalities that have to
12 be handled and this is not something that can be done
13 overnight. It's much, you know, if I can draw an
14 analogy here, it's like giving birth to a child. It's
15 not done over night. We can't resolve these issues
16 overnight. The child welfare agencies cannot do it
17 either overnight, but you have a number of people
18 working on it and trying to do the best they can to
19 ensure that the kids are taken care of properly, that
20 their health is good, they're receiving good care, the
21 food and they're getting rest and they're playing with
22 one another and they're being cared for properly, and
23 --

21 SITA: Well --

22 DICK: We're not parents, I mean, we're not

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1 their parents, but we're doing the best we can.

2 SITA: When I talked to Jim, --

3 DICK: Okay.

4 SITA: He said he'd make sure what we wrote
5 in the letter, Tasheem (Phonetic) wrote that they go
6 to their grandparents.

7 DICK: Uh-huh.

8 SITA: He gave the phone numbers.

9 DICK: Okay.

10 SITA: The name, and addresses, and --

11 DICK: Well, see, that will be done, but
12 again, it can't be done overnight. The, the child
13 care services are aware of that. You know, the
14 letters that went with the kids remained with the kids
15 and those things are being worked on, but it's like,
16 you know, we've been here since Sunday, and you know
17 how, you know how long it's taken to try to work some
18 of these problems out, and, you know, this can't be
19 done overnight. People, people that work in these
20 areas, why you may quarrel with some of their own,
21 their procedures, they have the best interest of the
22 kid at heart. Now, you may not agree with what, what
23 that might be --

24 SITA: I agree what you're saying, but it
25 wouldn't have happened if you guys didn't come in just

1 attacking us.

2 DICK: Well, listen, that is horribly
3 unfortunate. It's also horribly unfortunate that law
4 enforcement officers were injured. We're all trying
5 to get past that and we're, that's, that's something
6 that happened and now we are going to have to go
7 forward and try to resolve that. You're going to have
8 the opportunity, as soon as you come out, you and the
9 others, to testify to what happened here, to, to give
10 a message --

11 SITA: Testify?

12 DICK: Well, I'm talking about to give, give
13 information to, to newspapers, to television stations,
14 to Congress --.

15 SITA: Then can you guys open, open news
16 casts for us to talk to them?

17 DICK: Certainly. When you, when you come
18 out of there you're going to have the opportunity to
19 do that. Sure. The press is very interested in
20 hearing your side of the incident. Absolutely.
21 They're going to be very interested in hearing that.

22 I was telling some of the folks I talked to
23 earlier that, this morning in the Waco paper, there
24 was an article concerning Congressional inquiry into
25 this whole matter. It's being scrutinized. This has

1 never happened in law enforcement before.

2 SITA: Well, it's never happened to me
3 before.

4 DICK: No, and, and it will never happen
5 again. But that's, that's what you need to tell
6 people about. You have to make your knowledge known,
7 I mean, there are only bits and pieces of what
8 happened that will only be known to you, okay? If
9 you, if you were inside there and you saw certain --
10 made certain observations, there are going to be
11 people that are, are interested in talking with you,
12 and you'll be able to give your side of the story, and
13 we'll make that available to anyone that has an
14 interest in it; Congress, the press, the courts, the
15 directors of the ATF, the directors of the FBI, all
16 those folks have an ongoing interest in this.

17 We all have a, you know, we all have concerns
18 about what happened the other day. I've been in law
19 enforcement for a long, long time, as have many of the
20 other fellows that are involved here and we all want
21 to know what happened too. You know, we just don't
22 arbitrarily watch something like this happen without
23 responding in our, in our own fashion.

24 You know, the best thing, and we've talked about
25 it to some degree, is that you get your, you know, you

1 get your case in front of the public. You know, you
2 guys, all you guys inside can tell the public what
3 happened from your perspective. Would you disagree
4 with that?

5 SITA: But you guys have the power --

6 DICK: We don't, -- Sita, Sita, I don't have
7 any power, okay? Public opinion is, is the court
8 where this thing will be resolved. Public opinion is
9 what counts. I don't have anymore power than you do.
10 I go to work, I go home with my family the same way
11 as you do. I don't have any power.

12 SITA: That's one thing, you're lucky.

13 DICK: Well, you can do the same thing,
14 Sita. You have to make that decision yourself. I
15 can't make it for you.

16 SITA: No, when they came in, they made the
17 decision when they start firing.

18 DICK: Sita, that's your belief and please,
19 tell that to the world. It doesn't do you any good to
20 stay inside that complex and tell those things to me.
21 You have to tell it to the people that are in a
22 position with, quote, power, that you talk about. I
23 don't have that power.

24 SITA: Then why don't you let me, open just
25 one line for me to call who I want to talk to.

1 you guys.

2 DICK: Sita, it doesn't matter. That
3 doesn't matter.

4 SITA: I'm a simple person who just living
5 her life, that's been, like, taken away.

6 DICK: Sita, nothing has been taken away.
7 Nothing has been taken away. You will have every
8 opportunity to make any thoughts that you have
9 regarding this incident known. But you have your, the
10 responsibility and you have to take that
11 responsibility to make that, those thoughts known.
12 And there are just all kinds of people that will
13 listen. FBI agents will be interviewing you when you
14 come out of there. They will be, your comments will
15 be passed on. Newspaper people will be interested in
16 interviewing you. Congressional people will be
17 interested in interviewing people.

18 SITA: I don't care about them.

19 DICK: Well if you don't care about it --

20 SITA: I, it's just --

21 DICK: So, you're saying you're angry, but
22 you don't care enough to make your thoughts known to
23 others? Is that what you're telling me?

24 SITA: No, I'm not angry. It's something --

25 DICK: Sita, the most powerful thing that

1 you can have is the court of public opinion. Okay?
2 That's the power that you folks in there have. You
3 all feel that what happened was ATF's fault. Is that
4 accurate?

5 SITA: As far as I know -- I, for me, when I
6 opened the curtains they get out of their, their
7 vehicles and start shooting.

8 DICK: Okay, then people need to know that.
9 If, if that was done --

10 SITA: Then you tell the newscaster what I
11 said.

12 DICK: I want you to tell them. You think
13 the newspaper people are interested in interviewing an
14 FBI agent about what happened out here? I wasn't
15 there. They have to have the accounts from people
16 that were there. My account means nothing. I wasn't
17 there. I wasn't a witness, so why would anybody want
18 to talk to me?

19 SITA: Because you're tied in, you're help,
20 let's say, you're helping trying to get this thing
21 over with.

22 DICK: Absolutely. We would like to get
23 this over with safely so that no one else is hurt.

24 SITA: Safely.

25 DICK: Absolutely.

1 SITA: Then you tell them what I'm telling
2 you.

3 DICK: Sita, people don't want to hear it in
4 that fashion. That's second-hand information. It
5 means little. The best information comes from people
6 that were there.

7 SITA: Well that's all they going -- for
8 now.

9 DICK: Well, again --

10 SITA: Why can't you talk to the news? What
11 we've been, I've been saying and some others that I --

12 DICK: Sita, there is no interest in what I
13 have to say. I'm an FBI agent that has a job to do
14 and no one's interested in what I have to say.
15 They're interested in what Sita has to say. They're
16 interested in what David has to say. They're
17 interested in what Rachel has to say. They're
18 interested in what Kathy has to say, Steven has to
19 say, David has to say, not what Dick has to say. What
20 Dick has to say has absolutely no bearing on this
21 incident that took place Sunday. It's your
22 responsibility. It's your right and you have to do
23 what's right, and what's right is for you to come out
24 and you go to those people and you say listen, this is
25 what happened, I don't care what others say, this is

1 what happened. You and all of your associates, your
2 friends, your family in there, you all have to do
3 that. You owe it to yourselves, you owe it to the
4 children, you owe it to any other citizens in this
5 country that might be placed in a similar position.

6 SITA: Well you said I owe it.

7 DICK: You, as an individual. You owe it to
8 your children and you owe it to yourself. It's the
9 right thing to do. It's the only thing to do.
10 Please, think about that, will you? Your kids miss
11 you, they need you and they want to be reunited with
12 you.

13 SITA: I miss all of them too.

14 DICK: Okay. Who else is there that I might
15 talk to?

16 SITA: Just a minute. Excuse me, do you
17 have Peter Gent (Phonetic)?

18 DICK: I'm sorry?

19 SITA: In custody?

20 DICK: Peter Gent?

21 SITA: Yeah.

22 DICK: I don't know a Peter Gent.

23 SITA: (To background) He said he doesn't
24 know him.

25 (Background voice) -- he doesn't need to

1 know him, --

2 DICK: You're talking --

3 SITA: Just a minute. He just woke up.

4 DICK: Who David? That's David you're
5 talking to?

6 SITA: Yeah. (To background) You want to
7 talk to him? Okay, just a minute.

8 DICK: Okay, David's going to get on the
9 line?

10 SITA: Nice talking to you, and thank you.

11 DAVID: Hello.

12 DICK: David?

13 DAVID: Yes.

14 DICK: Get a little rest?

15 DAVID: I'm trying.

16 DICK: Did you get that medical, those
17 medical supplies we sent into you?

18 DAVID: I'm not sure yet, I just, I just, --

19 DICK: Oh, they're there. My understanding
20 is they're there and they just were waiting for you to
21 wake up to, to try to give you some, some relief there
22 or to assist you.

23 DAVID: Okay. I just want you to know, I
24 need to know, I've got to know at this point whether
25 you all have, in your custody, a Peter Gent.

1 DICK: Why is that of a particular interest?

2 DAVID: Well because we haven't, I was told
3 earlier that we can't, we haven't accounted for him.

4 DICK: Okay.

5 DAVID: So we've, we've been looking all
6 over the place here, you know, looking out the windows
7 and stuff, and he's somebody we haven't accounted for.

7 Now --

8 DICK: Okay.

9 DAVID: In some of your reports, you were
10 talking about these three guys earlier and we, we
11 think we know who the three guys are. I don't know
12 why they would be coming here, but that would be Mike
13 Schroeder --

13 DICK: Mike Schroeder, okay.

14 DAVID: Possibly Bob Kendrik and a person
15 that I knew by the name Bro, which is a black man.
16 So, we know that you all talked about three of those
17 persons. We know that no, no three persons went out
18 of here acting like Rambo, you know, and got --

18 DICK: They did go out of there? Oh, you
19 said they didn't, okay.

20 DAVID: Oh, no, no, no, I'm saying we know
21 they didn't.

22 DICK: Okay. Now, is that Delroy Nash?

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1 DAVID: Delroy, anybody know Delroy Nash?

2 That's his name? Delroy?

3 DICK: Yeah, that's Bro. That may be Bro.

4 DAVID: Oh, hey, Neil, --

5 DICK: Can you confirm that?

6 DAVID: What is, what is Bro's name, real
7 name? Nash? I never knew that. That's him then,
8 Delroy.

9 DICK: Okay, Delroy is in custody.

10 DAVID: I know him, I knew him by the name
11 of Bro.

12 DICK: Okay.

13 DAVID: That's the name that, that, I think,
14 'cause he never did talk very plain and, you know, he
15 talked kind of -- He was from England but he talked
16 real, he didn't talk much, but he would talk real, if
17 I couldn't understand some times, I'd tell him, I just
18 said, all right, I'm going to call you Bro.

19 DICK: Yeah, it's difficult to understand
20 Englishmen at times. That, my understanding is that
21 is accurate, that is Delroy Nash and he is in custody.

22 DAVID: Okay. Well then so those, we've
23 accounted for those.

24 DICK: Okay.

25 DAVID: There's Don Bonds, we've accounted

1 for him.

2 DICK: Don Bonds?

3 DAVID: Don Bonds.

4 DICK: Okay, how do you account for him, I
5 mean, what is his status?

6 DAVID: Well we, we already heard that there
7 was a 62 year old man picked up in town and we know
8 that could be, that's Don Bonds.

9 DICK: Okay, now, I'm not aware of that at
10 all. That might be, that might be accurate, but I,
11 it's not known to me.

12 DAVID: Oh, I see. Okay. Well, I'm, I'm
13 pretty sure, I'm pretty sure that's him, Don Bonds.

14 DICK: Okay.

15 DAVID: Because we know you got him. So
16 let's say, it's Bob Kendrik --

17 DICK: Okay.

18 DAVID: 'Cause, you know, these three,
19 actually two guys, Bro was just, Bro was just, you
20 know, he was traveling around the United States and
21 he, he had just been out to California or something,
22 when he came back, you know, you know, I told him, I
23 said, well, you know, until he could make arrangements
24 doing things, you know, he could probably stay down at
25 the shop for a while or something like that, but --

1 DICK: Um-hum.

2 DAVID: But I know those three guys were
3 together.

4 DICK: Okay, well, maybe that's the three
5 that --

6 DAVID: But there's, but there's, but Peter
7 Gent, no one has been able to account for him since, I
8 know this, but since Sunday.

9 DICK: Peter Gent, does, has he been living
10 at the compound?

11 DAVID: Right.

12 DICK: Okay, and you haven't, no one's seen
13 him since Sunday?

14 DAVID: Right, well, see, there's a lot of
15 people I haven't seen yet, but --

16 DICK: Okay.

17 DAVID: But, you know, they're, you know,
18 I've been asking, you know, everybody knows, everybody
19 knows more than I do when it comes to, you know, the
20 personages, and, and they were telling me that, you
21 know, they thought that he was possibly, you know,
22 watching a certain area and come to find out, when I,
23 when I, when I requested that, you know, let's really
24 get a, get a head count and a check and find out, you
25 know, where everybody's at.

1 DICK: Um-hum.

2 DAVID: He's not been uncovered.

3 DICK: Okay, now, I was --

4 DAVID: And so, what I, what I, we've been
5 trying to look from different degrees around from the
6 windows and stuff like that.

7 DICK: Okay.

8 DAVID: And --

9 DICK: Well, Don, my understanding is Don
10 was, in fact, stopped on Sunday and released.

11 DAVID: Right.

12 DICK: So that's, that accounts for him.

13 DAVID: Okay.

14 DICK: You know, I'm glad you mentioned
15 that, you know, the windows and stuff, I think you
16 indicated earlier that, please, make sure that your
17 folks there are very careful, that they don't, you
18 know, that they're not poking weapons out of windows.

19 DAVID: Oh, we under, we understand that.

20 DICK: Okay, I just, I just want to
21 reiterate that with you. I just want to --

22 DAVID: But, it's just like I was telling
23 Jim the other night and whereas people are using
24 their, you know, sniper scopes on us, you know, at the
25 same time, you know, this has to be a fair deal in

1 every degree. If someone, if someone has the, you
2 know, the legal right, instinctive right to be zeroing
3 down on an object, you know, with the, with the high
4 power rifle and a scope, that same right is also
5 administered to us. I mean, this is, this is not --
6 Our rights were violated. You, our government has
7 stepped in and beyond, taking a religious peoples
8 accusations, which is just like what happened, you
9 know, not just like, but 2000 years ago the Sanhedrim
10 and Pharisees could not get around the doctrines so
11 they, they made up a lot of things, okay?

12 DICK: Okay, so in this instance you're
13 saying --

14 DAVID: What I'm saying, what I'm saying is,
15 is that when the United States of America steps on the
16 door front of a people, see, what I should have done
17 right now, and I realize it now, I tried to, well,
18 hindsight, like I said is always 20-20.

19 DICK: Um-hum.

20 DAVID: I should have, I should have went
21 ahead and I should have taken Robert Gonzalez and I
22 should have, I should have, this morning I should have
23 said, now, you're going to sit right here Robert, and
24 you're not going to leave this place, you know, until
25 you tell me point blank -- See, we didn't get a

1 | phone call this morning. That was, there was not a
2 | phone call. When, when --

3 | DICK: You mean Sunday morning.

4 | DAVID: Sunday morning.

5 | DICK: All right.

6 | DAVID: When they, when they, when they said
7 | there was a phone call, they wanted to ask me
8 | something.

9 | DICK: Okay. Who was it that called?

10 | DAVID: Nobody called.

11 | DICK: Okay.

12 | DAVID: That's the whole deal.

13 | DICK: Well, who wanted to ask you something
14 | then?

15 | DAVID: Well, Perry and Dave and another
16 | individual wanted to ask me something regards to the
17 | morning worship. And so I wasn't going -- instead of,
18 | instead of, instead of coming in and saying, you know,
19 | interrupting a conversation I was having with Robert,
20 | they, you know, they needed to know because there was
21 | some things we had to get ready, so they said, well,
22 | you know, there's, there's a call, can you come to the
23 | call? Okay, well, yeah, I went to the call and, yeah,
24 | well, Steve was still talking to him, and that's where
25 | Robert, that's where Robert tried to tell you

1 individuals we were tipped off by a call. But listen
2 to this, I was already explaining to Robert at that
3 point that, you know, we, we have always known who
4 they were the very first day that they moved in. I
5 mean, we, we went across the street, we sent some guys
6 over there to, you know, to talk with them, to, to,
7 you know, to get to know them and stuff like that,
8 because, like I've always said, I've always, I've
9 invited the sheriff's department to come in here.
10 Anytime they wanted to come fishing and stuff, come
11 visiting --. What's that, what's that lieutenant,
12 Barber, no, -- STEVE: Abner, Larry --

13 DAVID: Larry Abner.

14 STEVE: There was another Spanish name.

15 UNIDENTIFIED VOICE IN BACKGROUND: Johnny
16 Leondo (phonetic).

17 DAVID: Yeah, Johnny Leondo.

18 DICK: Okay, now --

19 DAVID: Two, two very fine individuals in the
20 sheriff's department that we talked with the last
21 time, and I have all -- look, I understand a lot of
22 things that I may do in religion may not be in the
23 sight of a lot of people, a hundred percent acceptable
24 in this society.

25 DICK: But you're a gentleman --

1 DAVID: But there's one thing, there's one
2 thing that, that I have always been and that is I've
3 always been honest and open to anybody who will sit
4 down and look at me in the light of what I perceive in
the book called the Bible.

5 DICK: Um-hum.

6 DAVID: You see, now, this is where we were
7 working with Robert at. I had already given him
8 several Bible studies in which I'm sure, in all
9 consciousness, he will, because like, he was deeply
10 convicted over what I was showing him.

11 DICK: Um-hum.

12 DAVID: Deeply convicted. I had already,
13 this would have been -- I already told him that he
14 could stay here and take one of the rooms with the
guys for two weeks.

15 DICK: Um-hum.

16 DAVID: And I said, now Robert, there's
17 something you have to understand. A lot of people
18 that observe me, you know, and are trying to look at
19 me, are always trying to figure out where I'm coming
20 from. But I promise that everything about me and
21 every question you may have in regards to me, you will
22 find out and you will know. That's one thing I have
never done with my students, is that if you sit down

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1 and give yourself the time, you will find out
2 everything there is to know about me. Okay? And when
3 he came over with the AR-15's, when he said that, you
4 know, he had some AR-15's?

5 DICK: Um-hum.

6 DAVID: Oh, wait a minute, oh, okay.

7 DICK: What's the matter? You feeling --

8 DAVID: No --

9 DICK: Pain?

10 DAVID: When I had, I had to stretch and
11 it's just a sharp pain.

12 DICK: You know what you need to do? You
13 need to get yourself walking a little bit and stretch
14 yourself out or you're going to have, your muscles are
15 going to atrophy.

16 DAVID: Well, I, I, yeah.

17 DICK: You know what I mean?

18 DAVID: I need to get myself walking, Steve.

19 DICK: Well, if you're that bad off, then
20 use that stuff we sent into you. Get yourself some
21 medical care.

22 DAVID: Here's, here's the deal now. So,
23 when, when Robert was told that he couldn't shoot his
24 pistol across the street, 'cause he was, you know,
25 shooting his pistol --

1 DICK: Um-hum.

2 DAVID: The next door neighbor confront him
3 and says, no, we don't need to do that. I went ahead
4 and I told Mark, which is our next door neighbor to go
5 ahead and tell him to come over here. We have a mound
6 in the back, you know, where we shoot at sometimes --

7 DICK: Um-hum.

8 DAVID: -- and, like a little target range.

9 DICK: Okay.

10 DAVID: For a small caliber handgun, and I
11 said he's more than welcome to come over here, and so,
12 he took up the invitation and he came over and he
13 brought this Eagle series, you know, .38, actually
14 .45, you know, .38 upper on a basically a .45 lower,
15 you know, revolver, around the Colt model, Colt .45
16 series, but, you know, a special one. It had a
17 special fly on it, it was all, been tapered, it had a
18 special compensator and everything. Anyway, you know,
19 the guys, the guys telling me, with his 8 point scope
20 and all that, that he doesn't really know that much
21 about guns, and, and the very first thing he does is
22 he brings over this weapon that's, you know, no novice
23 has, and no novice knows to put those pieces together
24 like that, and I checked the slide ratio and I checked
25 the, the trigger pull and everything, and the gun's

1 maxed out, and, you know, --

2 DICK: Meaning it's been modified?

3 DAVID: Yeah. What I'm saying is, is that
4 as far as, you know, we already knew, I already knew
5 that he was in law enforcement. See, I mean, okay,
6 for instance, the first day they come over, okay?

7 DICK: Um-hum.

8 DAVID: The first day they come over, here's
9 all of these guys and their excuse for moving into
10 this little bitty house is that they're students,
11 college students. Now, come on. Every little one of
12 them was at least in their mids to later 30s, okay?

13 DICK: A little old for college.

14 DAVID: Well, the mystery of it is is that
15 another stupid thing was that I already, I had already
16 been, well, this sounds funny. See, when a prophet
17 has a vision, what happens is, is that God
18 communicates to the prophet and shows the prophet
19 pictures and images which allows the prophet to
20 perceive and on some degree what the next steps or
21 what's happening in regards to the will of God. Okay?

22 Like when Christ talks about the armies gathered
23 around Jerusalem and things like that, you know, this
24 is the vision area, this is where heaven uses means
25 and ways of communicating unto mankind in regards to

1 the events that they foresee.

2 DICK: So you, you've foreseen, you foresaw
3 that that was a police officer?

4 DAVID: Well, I've been, I've been teaching
5 about this ever since 1985, regards to, to this would
6 eventually happen one day. Okay, but the thing of it
7 is is that --

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