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BYRON: Let me know when you hear from Steve or, ah, or DK, okay.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Alright pal.

(PAUSE - 3 MINUTES)

(BACKGROUND NOISE - BYRON TALKING TO SOMEONE - INAUDIBLE)

BYRON: Hey Wayne, Wayne. Wayne, are you there?

WAYNE: I'm here.

BYRON: Okay. Suggestion, we're getting a little bit of feedback from a conversation between Steve and Cavanaugh over at the CP. Ah, there talking about the possibility of a car being driven into your, ah, guard shack, apparently upfront. And some of the, some smaller kids being placed in that vehicle and then it being driven off. Let me just make one suggestion and believe me buddy, this is, this is in the best interest of everybody. We need to minimize the number of trips that, you know the old, do you have a military background at all. Remember the concept of KSS, keep it simple stupid. Okay, that's what we need to do here. We need to keep this simple. Ah, we need to, to, try to minimize the number of trips that we can do here to
get the kids out and get anybody out safely so that there’s a minimal amount of the possibility of something going wrong. And you know Murphy’s laws live and well, ah, sure enough we’ll get a vehicle to the front gate and it’ll get a flat tire of something. Ah, so can you kind of, if you have some input cause I know that, obviously, ah, DK respects you. If you got any input on this thing, you might want to see if we can get something kinda streamlined a little bit here, alright.

WAYNE: Well, I don’t think you understand.

BYRON: What is it I don’t understand.

WAYNE: I don’t think you quite understand, my relationship with David.

BYRON: Okay. Tell, yeah, can you enlighten me a little bit, ah, it might be in both of our best interest so that you know exactly where we’re coming from and we know where you’re coming from.

WAYNE: I’m coming from Psalms 19.

BYRON: You’re coming from what, Psalms 19.

WAYNE: If you read Psalms, it will tell you all about the person David Koresh.

BYRON: Okay.

WAYNE: It says that Christ has a team of David. And he can open and reveal the Psalms to you.
BYRON: Okay

WAYNE: Cause there about himself. The Psalms 19 says God makes the mind of simple lives.

BYRON: Okay.

WAYNE: I don't think you really understand (Pause - 5 SECONDS).

BYRON: I understand exactly what you're saying there Wayne. I can appreciate that and and, we're not really asking you to try to dictate.

WAYNE: Well, let's get back to the point. I'm sorry I grasp for a while their. Ah, I can appreciate what you, what you just said. Isn't is possible for you to, ah, relay that to BATF and

BYRON: Now, relay exactly what Dave. I mean, I'm sorry Wayne.

WAYNE: What I'm saying (PAUSE).

BYRON: Wayne, I can hardly hear you cause you must have a radio or something up.

WAYNE: Yes sir. What I'm saying is, ah, when I hear from Steve or David, I will, ah, relay that suggestion.

BYRON: Okay, that's fine, I understand that and I'm not asking you to, ah, to go against David's wishes or anything like that. I'm just, I'm sure, I'm sure David has the same interest that all of us have in mind, and that is the safe, ah,
resolution and continued success of, ah, your mission there. Ah, the only way that—that can be accomplished is, is if we can safely get everybody out of a position of potential danger and hardship. That’s what we’re trying to do. If we, if we bring them out 2, 3, at a time, there’s more or chance of something going wrong that nobody can plan about. You know, like I, like I said a flat tire or bad weather, or a child slipping and falling and hurting themselves, whatever. If we can streamline this, I think it would serve David’s best interest and the welfare of everybody involved. That’s—that’s all I’m saying.

WAYNE: Well, I appreciate that, but, ah, I also see (INAUDIBLE) and what David is trying to do and I hope you will try and work with him.

BYRON: We are working with you. Now, I understand that Dave and we will continue to work with you. Because I think by now we all established the fact that we’re—we’re trying to get the same thing accomplished, it’s just we may have a little of bit of different timeframe, okay. We’re trying to found, find some common ground here so that we can get this resolved, ah, before anything unforeseen might happen that—that nobody planned. And I’m
talking again, just some flat tire or Murphy's law
type of situation cropping up. Okay. (PAUSE) If you
could pass that along to them, uhm, to David, we
would appreciate it. Also, Wayne, if we can
consolidate like Larry was talking about, like you
and Larry were talking about hours ago. If we can
consolidate as much of the, negotiations back and
forth through one particular group. Ah, and that
would be this line that you and I are on now. That
would serve the best interest, okay. Cause otherwise
you & I are talking then I'm in the other ear I'm
getting information from the Command Post to, getting
information from, ah, Cavanaugh that he's talking
with Steve or whatever. We need to coordinated this
as best we can so that we all know what's going on,
we know it in real time and everybody's in agreement.
There's no surprises. You understand.

WAYNE: Understood, and uhm, I'm sure that
we're going to be coordinating over here.

BYRON: Good, okay. Well we'll-we'll do
everything we can to be coordinated here, okay.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Alright. Now, you're gonna to let
me know when you hear back from Steve or from David.
Is that correct.

WAYNE: That's correct.
BYRON: Okay. And again, if you would please think about the best interest of those children, the best interest of all of us is to try to minimize the number of times that we have to go through this evolution as far as bringing people out safely. Okay. (PAUSE)

WAYNE: 10-4

BYRON: Okay, thanks.

(PAUSE - 7 MINUTES)

(BACKGROUND NOISE - INAUDIBLE)

(BYRON TALKING W/SOMEONE - INAUDIBLE)

BYRON: Wayne, how are we doing? (PAUSE)

Wayne, this is Byron.

WAYNE: I'm here, Byron.

BYRON: How are we doing Sir?

WAYNE: I've heard, uhm, some progress is being made.

BYRON: Okay. That's good, that's real good.

WAYNE: Can I put you on hold.

BYRON: Certainly. I'll be standing by.

(BACKGROUND NOISE - BYRON TALKING W/SOMEONE - INAUDIBLE)

(PAUSE FOR 1 MINUTE)

WAYNE: Byron.

BYRON: Hello. Hello Wayne.
WAYNE: This is Wayne.

BYRON: Okay, this is Byron. Go ahead.

WAYNE: I'm keeping my promise to you.

BYRON: Alright Sir. How is that?

WAYNE: Gonna send 2 to the front.

BYRON: Okay. We need now, again, give me some time so that we can get this all work out and everybody understands exactly what the game plan is. Hold on, let me check with the CP and see if that got it work out as to how that's gonna to be done.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Okay, hold on. Make sure nobody starts to move until you and I have got it figure out, okay.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Okay, Wayne, hold on.

(BACKGROUND NOISE - INAUDIBLE - SOME TYPE OF INTERVIEW)

WITH UNKNOWN PERSONS) & (BYRON TALKING W/SOMEONE)

(PAUSE 2 MINUTES)


BYRON: (SPEAKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON) Do we have a description on the car. Need a description of the car so that they know.

BYRON: Hello Wayne. Wayne, this is Byron, are you there?
WAYNE: I’m here.

BYRON: Okay. The Command Post, we’re getting this a little bit sketchy, but, ah, the Command Post is telling us that one vehicle is either about to depart or has just departed to head out into your vicinity, to go ahead and–and facilitate picking up the children. Now, how many kids and do you have a description of the kids that are gonna, going to be coming out first. They’re going to be coming out first. They’re gonna be coming out in a mini-van and I’ll try to get you the exact description so that there’s no surprises here. Now we have your assurance, is that correct, that this is gonna to be a peaceful exchange and ah, the children will not be, ah, uhm, there’s no surprises here.

WAYNE: We (INAUDIBLE) we want the mother return.

BYRON: Mother’s coming with them.

WAYNE: Yeah, if anything happens to her, we will try to be aggressive.

BYRON: Nothing will happen to her. Okay. And she wants to return. Is that correct?

WAYNE: Those are her wishes.

BYRON: Those are her wishes. Okay, we will honor those wishes. It’s gonna be a mini-van.

I’ll try to get an exact color and I’ll give you a
heads-up as to the timeframe of when that vehicle is
gonna to be there. But, we, what you and I are
discussing, I have been assured by the Command Post
is gonna be exactly what happens. Okay, so you and I
need to coordinate this and make sure that we both
trust one and another enough that there is not gonna
be any surprises. Do you understand Wayne.

WAYNE: I trust you Byron, but I, I really
have a few doubts about that field commander.

BYRON: Well, you and I are the ones, that
are gonna carry this thing through, okay. And I’m
assuring you that I’ll keep you posted as to exactly
what’s gonna happen, and I am asking just the same
thing from you and I feel confident that we can work
this thing out. Okay.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Now let me try and get a
description of the vehicle for you and the exact
timeframe and, ah, you are saying that you want the
vehicle to pull up to the front, ah, guard post. Is
that correct and I’m not familiar with the area.

WAYNE: That’s true.

BYRON: Okay. I’ll give you about a 5
minute notice before the car is gonna to be there, is
that sufficient, and again it’s a mini-van. I keep
calling it a car but it’s mini-van.
WAYNE: Hold-on. Let me pass the word.

BYRON: Okay.

(PAUSE - 2 MINUTES)

(BACKGROUND NOISE - NEWS REPORT)

BYRON: Hey Wayne.

WAYNE: I'm here.

BYRON: Ah, I'm looking at a aerial photograph of the, uhm, the compound at Mt. Carmel that appeared in the WACO paper, get it here, on Saturday, February 27. The WACO Tribune Herald.

WAYNE: Yeah.

BYRON: Do you know the photograph I'm talking about.

WAYNE: I know the chopper that took it.

BYRON: Okay. It shows that the compound with a, what appears to be a bus, ah, in the foreground, and, a bus further on up the road and a "S" curved roadway. Can you tell me, just for my own, education here, as to where the guard post is located. Is it up to the upper right-hand corner of that picture. Probably off of the picture, out of the picture. I've not been pass or over your compound, so I don't know the lay out.

WAYNE: Ah, sir, it's, ah, across the street from the 2 homes. On the edge of, ah, across the street from our gate.
BYRON: Okay, and the gate is out at the end of that "S" curve.

WAYNE: Yes Sir.

BYRON: Out to the, if I’m looking at this photograph. If I was standing with my back to the flag pole, up out in front of the compound, the guard post is off to my, ah, to my left. Is that correct?

WAYNE: That’s correct, Sir.

BYRON: Okay. Good, that way I’ll have some feel for it. There’s still, they still haven’t called to tell us exactly when the vehicle is gonna be there, but I will keep you posted as to when it is so that we can coordinate it. Again, it’s gonna be mini-van, I don’t have a color yet. Are we talking, we’re talking about 2 children. Can you tell me what ages or what their names are or what their descriptions are.

WAYNE: I’ve been told to say they’re small and they’re cute.

BYRON: Small and cute. Well, I’m sure that narrows it down to all of them. Uhm,

WAYNE: I’m afraid that the field commander has narrowed down his perimeter again. We want him to move his perimeter back off of our property, and when he moves his men out, we’ll know it, because we’ve seen, we’ve seen things change out there. We
know their close to our building again and we want
them off of our property.

BYRON: Okay, I will pass that along to the
CP right now. Can you hold on. Hold on, I’ll be
right back with you, Wayne.

WAYNE: Okay.

(BACKGROUND NOISE - NEWS REPORTS)

(PAUSE - 2 MINUTES)

BYRON: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON)

They’re not going to do anything until that perimeter
is moved back.

BYRON: Okay, Wayne. Wayne. Wayne are you
there?

WAYNE: Hello.

BYRON: Hello. We have been assured by the
Command Post that the perimeter is not going to
infringe upon your property. What they’re telling us
is that they, the perimeter is, you may have seen
some movement but it’s only to backup or support the
vehicle that’s coming in to pick-up the kids. It is
not offensive in anyway.

WAYNE: Hold on.

(PAUSE 3 MINUTES)

(BACKGROUND NOISE - INAUDIBLE)

(BYRON SPEAKING W/SOMEONE)

WAYNE: Byron
BYRON: Yes Sir.
WAYNE: This is Wayne.
BYRON: Yes Wayne. How are you?
WAYNE: Oh, I'm passable.
BYRON: Okay.
WAYNE: You know that scenery outside
BYRON: Yes.
WAYNE: It's changing on us.
BYRON: The only thing that's changing Wayne is that they—they have told me that they are going to place people just to support the pick-up of the-of the youngsters. They're not offensive, they're not going to ENCROACH onto your property. So it's not offensive in anyway. Okay. They're, they don't mean to be menacing or anything, they're just there to support and to kind of jecture the mini-van in to pick-up the children

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BYRON: -- is going to be, ah, it's not gonna be detained, shall be awhile, I understand you said that there is a mother that was gonna escort them out to the car. They will honor her wishes and your wishes to allow her to return, okay. Are you there?

WAYNE: Hold on.

BYRON: Okay.

(BYRON TALKING W/SOMEONE) (PAUSE - 20 SECONDS)

WAYNE: Byron.

BYRON: Yes.

WAYNE: There's a car moving to our gate.

BYRON: Okay. That may be the vehicle but they have not told us yet. Let me double check with the Command Post.

WAYNE: This is outside on the road.

BYRON: Okay, again that's not, they're not going to come into your property at all. It—it may well be some traffic just to, ah, change some people on the perimeter again.

WAYNE: Let me pass that on.

BYRON: They're 1 mile out. Wayne.

WAYNE: Let me pass it on.

(PAUSE 30 SECONDS)

(BACKGROUND NOISE - INAUDIBLE)
WAYNE: Byron

BYRON: Yes Sir. Go ahead Wayne.

WAYNE: It wasn’t part of the plan to have your men move in like this, and surround our, our building.

BYRON: No, they’re not gonna surround the building. The perimeter is not changing at all other than the fact that the vehicle is about a mile out and apparently, some-some people have moved in just to support the pick-up, safe pick-up of the children, okay. It’s in, they will be pulling back as the, as the van leaves. They’re just to provide, I’m sure you can understand, they’re just ensuring the safety of the people driving the van. And it’s a mini-van to pick the kids up. The wife will be allowed, the mother will be allowed to come back, the children will be taken to a safe location, awaiting for, to be reunited with, ah, with you all when we get all this thing resolved. Okay, it is not any kind of an offensive action against you or your people. Okay. Are we on board there?

WAYNE: No, we’re not, we’re not in agreement on that.

BYRON: Okay, what is that you can’t live with.

WAYNE: We don’t like having those men so
close to our (INAUDIBLE) so they could shoot the
mother.

BYRON: No, no. No that's not going to
happen. They're there only to protect, actually to
protect the mother as well, but to protect the people
driving the vehicle.

WAYNE: I don't think they care about the
mother.

BYRON: No, I know that you may have some
serious reservations as to whether or not they do.
But, Wayne, I'm telling you that they're there only
to provide safety and security. They're not there to
endanger anyone. No one is going to get hurt as long
as we do this, ah, in a coordinated, cooperative
effort like we're doing now. Okay.

WAYNE: How many men have you brought in.

BYRON: I don't have the exact numbers,

uhm, Wayne, and I'm sure you can understand that
ye're not gonna give me precise movements and I
couldn't, I couldn't relay that to you anyhow even if
I knew it.

WAYNE: Well, we know where some of them
are.

BYRON: Okay. But again, the people that
you know where they are, the people that you don't
know where they are, they're still just establishing
a protective perimeter. There's no operation afoot
there, there's no intention to do anything to disrupt
the smooth and safe transition of the kids and
yourselves out of that area and the safe resolution
of this whole situation. Okay. Nobody is trying to
get anybody nervous or paranoid or upset or anything
else, and that's why you and I need to keep on
talking and make sure that we keep this channel of
communications open. Okay, you have may assurance of
that.

WAYNE: Byron, the field commander makes
his own decisions. You know that and I know that.

BYRON: Right. But he's he's, we're
working him, you're working with us, we're working
with you, everybodys working together so far. And
that isn't gonna change. You've lived up to promises
that you've given us, and we in turn, have lived up
to promises we given you. Okay, so, we're working
together on this very well. Ah, we've got a lot of
good things going, including, hopefully in the very
near future, the safe recovery of everybody from
inside the, ah, the compound. We can get all of this
sorted out in, ah, in a safe and an intelligent
manner. That—that's what we're working towards,
that's what everybodys working towards. And you're
doing a good job on this Wayne, and we need to
continue to keep it just smooth as can be. But just
like you need to - to ah, touch base with Steve or
with David. Ah, we’re trying to coordinate this also
and sometimes there’s a little bit of a time lag
between what the Command Post, ah, has committed,
like sending the vehicle in to pick it up and the
people to support that. Ah, so if I, if I tell you
and it seems like it’s, uhm, you know, I’m playing
catch up ball here, it’s not because there’s anything
going on that we’re trying to hide from you. Okay,
we’re just trying to coordinate all of this. And
there’s a lot to coordinate. Alright.

WAYNE: We view those men being on our
property as the aggressive action and, furthermore,
we think it was hidden from us.

BYRON: No, there, to the best of my
knowledge and the CP is telling us that there’s
nobody on your property, period.

WAYNE: We know, we know that the scenery
out there has changed. Like, ah.

BYRON: I’m sorry Wayne I didn’t hear that.

Do you know what?

WAYNE: We know.

BYRON: Okay.

BYRON: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON)

He’s saying that the scenery changed. Normally the
perimeter moved on to there property. We need some assurances there.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Hang-on, let me check.

WAYNE: Byron, are you there.


WAYNE: David wants the grandparents to be contacted for these children.

BYRON: David wants the grandparents to be contacted.

WAYNE: Yes.

BYRON: Okay. We will work on that. We don’t have their names or identity. Will they bring that information out with them.

WAYNE: It’s being relayed, ah, on the phone upstairs.

BYRON: Who are they talking to, Wayne. See, that’s half the problem. You and I are talking, there talking to somebody else and we’re not centralizing any of this. And I know that’s not your problem, but we can work together and get this resolved. I will pass along what they, what your desires are and I’m sure that they’ll go ahead and, ah, put these kids in contact with their grandparents. Okay.
WAYNE: (INAUDIBLE) my function that, their names, their relatives names and addresses will be pinned to their clothing.

BYRON: Good, okay. That's good. Now again, remember we were talking about Murphy's law, make sure that it doesn't blow off of something, particularly if these are youngsters of tender age. I will, if that happens and we lose the address, I will call you back and I'll facilitate them getting in touch with their grandparents, okay.

That's a reasonable request.

WAYNE: Thank you.

BYRON: Yes sir. Now, have you sent the kids out yet?

WAYNE: Not yet.

BYRON: Okay

WAYNE: In a minute. (PAUSE 20 SECONDS)

They're by the front door.

BYRON: Okay, Wayne. The van has arrived, so if can send the kids out now, and tell me who all coming out. Is the mother coming out with them.

WAYNE: Yes.

BYRON: So there will be a total of how many. Three people.

WAYNE: Yes. She's got to come back. She want's to.
BYRON: If she wants to, okay. If she elects not to, you’re not going to hold that against us then. Is that correct?

WAYNE: That’s correct.

BYRON: Okay.

UNIDENTIFIED WOMAN SPEAKER: Uhm, Also, Wayne, the children will have the information of their grandparents and everything on them.

BYRON: Wayne, you’re doing a good job, and this I hope is a first step in getting everybody out of there safely and nobody else injured, and we get this worked out. Okay.

WAYNE: Okay now. She’s told us that she wants to come back, and we’re gonna assumed that she’s not changing her mind.

BYRON: Okay. Now, that, now I will keep you posted if anything, the only way that she will not come back is if it’s her will.

WAYNE: Well, if that’s the case, you better get her on the phone so that we can talk to her and confirm it.

BYRON: That’s fair enough, That’s fair enough. Okay.

WAYNE: Okay. Now Byron, the scenery outside has changed, we know it’s changed. We know the men are up close.
BYRON: Okay. The only way that it's changed as I mentioned to you before Wayne is that they have adjusted the perimeter to protect the safety of the mother and the children who are being brought out and the safety of the civilians that are driving the, the van. Okay, mini-van. As soon as they depart, it's my understanding that they'll go back to a, to a reasonable perimeter just exactly what we agreed upon before. We can work this out, okay.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Tell me when the vehicle departs cause you obviously, I don't have an eye on it, you can tell me when, ah, when everything has been safely handled.

WAYNE: Coming out.

BYRON: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON)

Their coming out.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Their coming out.

UNIDENTIFIED FEMALE SPEAKER: Their coming out now.

BYRON: Wayne, are you still on the line.

WAYNE: I'm here.

BYRON: Okay. What's, let's keep talking during this whole thing and if anything at all looks
a little awry to you or if there’s anything we can work it out together on the phone here.

WAYNE: I’ll keep the line open.

BYRON: Very good. (PAUSE) Describe to me if you would, since I’m not around there, when they’re, you know, half way to the gate, when they’re at the vehicle, if Momma comes back, if she’s elected not to come back then we’ll put the wheels in motion to get her on the phone, or to make, to give you some assurances that it was purely voluntary by her.

WAYNE: The van just drove away.

BYRON: The van drove away with the kids.

WAYNE: No, without them.

BYRON: Okay. Let me, where are the children now.

WAYNE: At the front door.

BYRON: At the front door of the compound, or at the front gate.

WAYNE: Front door of the building.

BYRON: Okay, we will get the van back into position. They must have thought that something had gone. See, this is exactly Wayne, what I was talking about. We need to go through this step-by-step, and you and I are talking, we understand what’s going on, but the people that are driving that van, I’m sure, are just as concern for their welfare.
WAYNE: Byron.

BYRON: Yes.

WAYNE: The kids are coming out.

BYRON: Okay.

BYRON: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON) The kids are coming out. Where is the van?.

BYRON: (TALKING TO WAYNE) Can you see if the van is in position.

WAYNE: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON) Is the van there?

BYRON: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON) Is the van in position.

UNIDENTIFIED PERSON: We don’t know.

WAYNE: (TALKING TO BYRON) The van is coming back.

BYRON: The van is coming back. Okay, thank you. The kids are coming out with their mother. Is that correct, Wayne.

WAYNE: That’s correct.

BYRON: Okay. The van, as I understand it, is coming back to your position. There’s no change, again, Murphy’s law is in effect here. What kind of a timeframe can we, ah, can we look at as far as, uhm, continuing this kind of cooperation with getting everybody out.

WAYNE: Looking good.
BYRON: Okay.

WAYNE: That's all I know.

BYRON: What are they doing now?

WAYNE: They're walking towards the gate.

BYRON: Okay. Can you give me an idea if they are half way there or

WAYNE: They're using their flashlight and they can see it.

BYRON: Okay

BYRON: (TALKING TO AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON)

The children are walking with their flashlight. So that should give you a good idea of their progression.

BYRON: (TALKING TO WAYNE): How old are these kids, Wayne? Do you have an idea. Have you seen them?

WAYNE: I'm not sure. (PAUSE)

BYRON: Okay. I'm hearing that the kids are near the guard shack waiting on the van and it's-- it's in route, okay.

WAYNE: Okay.

BYRON: Now, how many guard shacks do you have. Hopefully, we're sending the kids and the van to the same guard shack.

WAYNE: One at the front gate.

BYRON: Okay, that's the only one.
WAYNE: Correct, it hasn’t been used for years.

BYRON: Very good. Okay. (10 SECOND PAUSE)

Momma still with them. Is that correct.

WAYNE: That’s correct.

BYRON: Okay.

(BACKGROUND NOISE - NEWS REPORT)

(PAUSE - 1 MINUTE)

BYRON: Hey, Wayne.

WAYNE: Yes.

BYRON: Murphy obviously is working for us.

There’s some confusion about the mini-van.

Apparently, is in route back to the guard shack.

Please believe me, there’s, there’s nothing other than just what you and I discuss before, a little confusion. They’re either gonna send the van immediately back to the guard shack or they may have another type of vehicle, but I’ll tell you before that vehicle comes into the area. Okay. There’s-

there’s no change here, it’s just that the, apparently, the people that were driving the mini-van got a little antsy about sitting out there.

WAYNE: There getting antsy about that APC.

BYRON: Okay. The perimeter is reporting to us that the van is at the guard shack but there is no people around. Can you see the mini-van.
WAYNE: No sir.

BYRON: Okay, when they, when they went out
the front of the compound, they turned to the left
and walked up that road. Is that correct. (PAUSE 10
SECONDS)

WAYNE: Please repeat the question.

BYRON: When they came out of the compound,
out of the front door they turned to the left and
walked up that road.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.

BYRON: Okay, and that's the guard shack
that they're at now.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yes, it would
be.

BYRON: Okay, let me make sure that they
know that. Okay, they do have, they do have a
eyeball on the kids now. So we should have a safe
exchange of where they are.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Alright.

BYRON: I'll let you know, ah, you know,
when we get the word that they're safely in the car
and being driven out of the area.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Okay.

BYRON: Listen, this is going well. Even
though it's going well from your standpoint and I
apologize for our messing up a little bit on having
what vehicle was gonna be where at the right time.
But, if we work this thing out, and you’re in
agreement with it, then we’re just use this as a
standing operating procedure for the next pick-up
until we got this thing completely resolved. Is that
okay.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yeah.
BYRON: Okay. Is this Steve?
UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: Yes, it is.
BYRON: Okay, I thought maybe Wayne’s voice
had changed a little bit here. This is Byron.
 Appreciate you guys working on this thing and, you
know, we will continue to working through, until we
got this completely resolved.

STEVE: Okay, good, thank you.
BYRON: You bet. This is the best way to
get things done, I think just being able to talk
through it and, ah, you know, get the thing handled
without anybody getting injured. How are you guys
holding up there Steve. I haven’t talked to you, for
several hours. You doing okay.

STEVE: Yeah, we’re doing the best we can.
We’re alright.
BYRON: Okay. Is there anything that we
can do. I mean, we’ve asked you before, I hate to
keep repeating the question, but it’s out of concern,
not anything else. Can we get you any, ah, you know, any food, or is there something that you need.

STEVE: No, not now. But thank you much for thinking about us.

BYRON: How about medical attention. We’re genuinely interested in minimizing the amount of any injuries even though, I know, people have been injured. I want to make sure that you guys are doing as well as you can.

STEVE: They’re stabilized and they’re okay.

BYRON: Very good. I’m glad to hear that. Genuinely glad to hear that. (PAUSE) Have you seen what the status is of the kids. Are they in the van yet.

STEVE: Pardon.

BYRON: Are the kids in the van yet.

STEVE: I don’t, I can’t tell from, I’m in another room from where they are at.

BYRON: Okay. I’m—I’m miles away, so I can’t tell either. As, ah, I’m sure it’s frustrating for both us. Let me try to get a report or update here from the Command Post.

BYRON: The vehicle apparently is—is either turning around or is—is heading out. But nobody was able to see if the kids actually got in the van. So
we'll keep you posted on that.

  STEVE: Okay, thanks.

  BYRON: Can you see if the mother is headed back or, we're probably both kinda in the dark here.

  STEVE: Let me check.

  BYRON: Thank you. (PAUSE - 15 SECONDS)

  BYRON: (TALKING W/AN UNIDENTIFIED PERSON)

  The mother stayed behind, okay. Steve.

  STEVE: Larry

  BYRON: Yeah, this is Byron. Go ahead.

  STEVE: Byron, ok, yeah, uhm, she's back.

  BYRON: Okay, that's - if that's, uhm, evolution is agreeable to you. Then that's the same standard operating procedure that we'll go through in the future.

  STEVE: Correct. That sounds good.

  BYRON: Okay. Now, what we've done, is again, the perimeter now should return, and again, it will not infringe upon your property

  STEVE: Okay

  BYRON: There won't be any offensive moves towards you and it's just purely to protect the safety of the people driving in with the vehicle and the kids and hopefully, all of the adults as everybody, ah, moved out of that area into a position
of safety.

STEVE: That one vehicle coming as we agreed, as, yeah, that's fine, that one vehicle coming to the guards gate and going back and returning.

BYRON: Very good.

STEVE: Thank you.

BYRON: Okay. Now, when can we, you know I don't, ah, my wife always accuses of never being satisfied, but, ah, I'm gonna

STEVE: We're working on the next couple now.

BYRON: Okay. Please let me know what, ah, how you want to do this and we'll continue to work right on through this. I think we're doing a good job.

STEVE: Yeah, Wayne is going to take it from here.

BYRON: Great, thank you Steve. I appreciate it sir.

UNIDENTIFIED MALE SPEAKER: The van is ready to make another trip.

BYRON: The van is ready now by the way.

(BAUSE - 1 MINUTE)(BYRON TALKING W/SOMEONE - INAUDIBLE)

BYRON: Wayne
WAYNE: Yes.

BYRON: How are we doing, Sir.

WAYNE: We’re doing okay.

BYRON: Okay. I understand the mother came back, everything is okay.

WAYNE: Everything’s okay.

BYRON: Very Good. Okay. Hopefully what that’s gonna do is continue to establish a high level of trust that we will stand behind what we’re telling you and obviously, you all are standing behind what you’re telling us, okay.

WAYNE: Yes, ah, affirmative on the trust, but, ah, negative on, ah, our relaxing here.

BYRON: Oh, I understand that. And, I tell you we will earn that, okay. As we continue on, we’ll go ahead and, ah, just continue to show you that we’re telling you the truth and we’ll get this thing resolved and we just need, we’ve got time, you’ve got time. Nobody

WAYNE: Have that perimeter restored, ah, to where it was this afternoon.

BYRON: Okay, let me double check on that.

It is my understanding from the CP, that the perimeter is gonna be returned to a safe and acceptable position for you and for, uhm, uhm, the, uhm, law enforcement authorities. Okay. I’ll be
right back to you.

(PAUSE - 6 MINUTES)

(BACKGROUND NOISE - INAUDIBLE)

BYRON: Wayne. Wayne, are you still there?
WAYNE: I'm here.
BYRON: Okay. Ah, where do we stand on the
next, ah next quote of kids.
WAYNE: Working on it.
BYRON: Okay. Ah, I think, ah, the CP is
telling us that they're, they're ready to continue
with the process and, ah, try to work it out with
you. So just let us know how you want a, how you
want to do it. We'll get it accomplished. The van
apparently is ready to come back in to the Command
Post, ah, to the Command Post, to the guard shack
there to go ahead and pick-up some more kids.
WAYNE: We appreciate that. Stand-by
please.
BYRON: I understand. Okay.

(PAUSE - 20 SECONDS)

WAYNE: Yes, sir.
BYRON: Okay. Ah, again, as a sign of good
faith, the Command Post has instructed the news, I
mean, the ah, yeah the media to go ahead and play the
message again as you have instructed and it has been
played. Okay, for the second time, David’s message has been played. So the balls back in your court, pal. Okay. (Pause) Wayne did you hear me. Hey Wayne.

WAYNE: Byron.


WAYNE: Yeah.

BYRON: Did you hear the message played again?

WAYNE: No sir, I didn’t, but, ah, it’s being monitored.

BYRON: Okay. It was, it has been played again. The Command Post when they called us we could hear it playing in the background.

WAYNE: Alright, ah, I get that message and, ah, I’ll get a report.

BYRON: Very good. We’re ready when you are and I appreciate you, ah, you handling this. You’re doing a good job.

WAYNE: Just so you know it Byron.

BYRON: Yes.

WAYNE: The name is KO-RESCH.

BYRON: KO-RESCH. Did it, was it not pronounced properly again.

WAYNE: Very seldom. You see, it, ah,
BYRON: Can you spell it for me so that I can make sure they've got it right.

WAYNE: Well the English translation is -- but in the Near East that name, where the name originate, is known as KO-RESCH.

BYRON: KO-RESCH. Okay, I will, I will make sure that they have the proper pronunciation. I don't know frankly, ah, Wayne, if this was a live reading of the tape again or it may be a taped, ah, replay of the original reading. Okay, so please bear with me and don't, if you would, make sure that you, ah, get the message to David that it's not our intention to insult him by mispronunciation of, of a name. I can't tell you how many times I've been called "BRIAN", so I will get that word to the Command Post and we'll try to make sure that they pronounce it David KO-RESCH. Is that correct?

(PAUSE)

(THE END OF TAPE 11 - SIDE B)