FEDERAL COURT

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BETWEEN:

HIS HIGHNESS PRINCE KARIM AGA KHAN

Plaintiff

- and -

NAGIB TAJDIN, ALNAZ JIWA, JOHN DOE and DOE CO. and all other persons or entities unknown to the Plaintiff who are reproducing, publishing, promoting and/or authorizing the reproduction and promotion of the Infringing Materials

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This is the Cross-Examination of GRAHAM OSPREAY, on his affidavit sworn the 14th day of July, 2010, taken at the law offices of OGILVY RENAULT LLP, 200 Bay Street, Suite 3800, Toronto, Ontario, on the 18th day of August, 2010.

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APPEARANCES:

BRIAN GRAY } -- for the Plaintiff ALLYSON WHYTE NOWAK }

ALSO PRESENT:

Alnaz Jiwa

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       CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR. GRAY:
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               Q.
                         Mr. Ospreay, you have been sworn?
                         Yes, sir, I have.
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                         And can you state your full name for the
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               record?
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                         Graham P. Ospreay.
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                         Can you spell your last name?
                        O-S-P-R-E-A-Y.
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                        And you have sworn an affidavit dated July
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               15 (sic), 2010 in these proceedings?
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                         Yes, sir.
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                         And that affidavit has attached to it three
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               reports?
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                         Yes, sir.
       6.MR. GRAY:
                        And can we...Mr. Jiwa, I am just referring
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                         to the respondents' motion record. They
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                         are at tabs 9B, 9C, and 9D.
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       MR. JIWA:
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                      Yes.
                        Can we just refer to them, for convenience,
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       7.MR. GRAY:
                         as the 9B, 9C and 9D reports?
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       MR. JIWA:
                      Yes.
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       8.MR. GRAY:
                        And the 9B and 9C reports are dated June 9,
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                         2010?
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MR. JIWA:

Yes.

THE DEPONENT: Can I look at these copies? 1 2 3 BY MR. GRAY: 9. 4 Q. Yes. And the... This is Brian Lindblom's affidavit. Is it 5 Α. okay I use this? 6 10. 7 Q. Is it okay to use it? 8 Α. Yes, with the attachments. 9 11. Q. Well, you can have it there in front of you if you would like, Mr. Lindblom's affidavit, but I 10 would like to have your own affidavit in front of 11 12 you right at the moment. 13 Α. I think they are in there, sir. 12. Yes, but do you have a copy of your own 14 0. affidavit? 15 16 I believe they are in there, or he has a Α. 17 copy of them with him. Q. This is my marked-up copy. Do you have a 18 13. clean copy? 19 20 MR. JIWA: This is clean. There is no mark-up. Let me 21 check. 22 14.MR. GRAY: Okay. I believe you. 23 24

Q. Okay. So, going back just for clarity,

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- 1 your affidavit of July 15, 2010 contains three
- 2 reports at 9B and 9C?
- 3 A. Yes.
- 4 16. Q. These are reports dated June 9, 2010?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 17. Q. And at 9D?
- 7 A. Yes.
- 8 18. Q. A report dated July 13, 2010?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 19. Q. Okay. Now, just for the sake of the
- 11 record, the plaintiff is His Highness Prince Karim
- 12 Aga Khan, and if I refer to him as His Highness or
- 13 Aga Khan, you will understand I mean the plaintiff?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 20. Q. And when were you retained, Mr. Ospreay?
- 16 A. Sorry, it's in my working records there, if
- I can use those, per chance?
- 18 21. Q. Would you like to have your files back
- 19 here?
- 20 A. Yes.
- 21 22. Q. It's unfortunate that we don't have the
- copies of these files, so it's going to be...do you
- 23 need both of them?
- 24 A. Yes, please. It would be May 27th
- 25 approximately.

- 1 23. Q. And who retained you?
- 2 A. There were three individuals present, Mr.
- 3 Nagib Tajdin and Alnaz Jiwa.
- 4 24. Q. Sorry, you had three individuals, Mr.
- Jiwa...
- A. Yes, the other individual was...when I met
- 7 with them, it was not identified who the...the third
- 8 party was party to it. I was aware that Nagib was
- 9 and Alnaz was. There was a fellow by the name of
- 10 Ali Dhalla present.
- 11 25. Q. So there were three people that retained
- 12 you?
- 13 A. Three people were present. I was aware
- that the individuals who were retaining was actually
- under the name of Nagib Tajdin, and then also Alnaz
- 16 Jiwa was a party to it.
- 17 26. Q. Okay. Did you have a retainer agreement?
- 18 A. A retainer agreement? No. Terms and rates
- 19 went out with standard CV, and the client peruses it
- 20 and decides to retain us.
- 21 27. O. And what were the terms and rates?
- 22 A. The terms and rates were at eight hours at
- 23 \$200 an hour, 1,680, or 1,600 at the time...it was
- 24 before HST, the retainer required.
- 25 28. Q. And how much retainer, sorry?

- 1 A. It was 1,680. That was with the HST, I
- 2 think, on the second.
- 3 29. Q. Sorry, so you determined...
- A. The \$200 an hour, and then the 80 HST,
- 5 which had just been previous GST.
- 6 30. Q. And then you had \$1,680 retainer?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 31. Q. Okay. And how much did you ultimately get
- 9 paid in respect of these opinions?
- 10 A. Well, initially, 1,680. There were further
- examinations, and I don't have those files with me.
- 12 32. Q. What further examination are you talking
- 13 about?
- 14 A. The second examination where the additional
- known specimens were submitted, so working time,
- 16 billable hours for working time.
- 17 33. Q. And so you don't have those files with you?
- 18 A. No. They would actually be under my
- invoice, noted in an invoice.
- 20 34. Q. I see. You don't have any idea how much
- 21 you were paid?
- 22 A. I believe...this is just recollection...I
- believe there is an additional \$400, I believe,
- charged for the additional examination. I am not
- paid for my opinion. I am paid for my working time.

- 1 35. Q. So are you saying that all the reports, the
- 9B, 9C and 9D reports cost about \$2,000 to \$2,100?
- 3 A. I would be guessing. I would have to look
- 4 at my financial records to give you an exact figure.
- 5 36. Q. Okay. Do you have any idea at all at this
- 6 point?
- 7 A. No, sir.
- 8 37. Q. I see. Pursuant to your retainer, what
- 9 were you requested to do?
- 10 A. Initially, I was requested to examine two
- signatures, one was a photocopy, one was an
- original, to determine whether or not they were
- 13 signed by the individual named Aga Khan.
- 14 38. Q. And the signatures were where?
- 15 A. I am sorry?
- 16 39. Q. The signatures were where? You said you
- 17 had two signatures: One was a photocopy and one was
- original. Where was the photocopied signature?
- 19 A. The photocopy...I am referring to my
- 20 reports. I am sorry, sir.
- 21 40. Q. The reports are in the material filed in
- 9B, are they not?
- A. Yes. Well, I am going back to the 30th
- 24 because that was the initial on the 30th. I believe
- 25 the ones that were filed, were they not the one with

- the 20 signatures, not the initial submission with the 10 signatures on the 30th?
- 3 41. Q. Okay. So you were asked on...the first report was May 30?
- A. Yes, sir, and there was...yes. The filed reports for the affidavit were the ones dated June 9th. The initial retainer and the initial reports were dated for May 30th. They only included 10 known signature specimens of Aga Khan.
- 10 42. Q. Okay. Can I see that report?
- 11 A. Yes, sir. It's a copy from the court
 12 affirmation, which was a photocopy of the 2-page
 13 letter addressed to "My Spiritual Child", was the
 14 original, sir.
- Okay. Can we mark this? We will have to make photocopies later. This is the interim report of May 30, 2010, dealing with the letter of January 24, 2010; is that right?
- 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 20 MR. JIWA: I would also ask, Counsel, if there are any
 21 individual names, other than parties, they
 22 should be redacted. I am not sure if there
 23 is any names.
- THE DEPONENT: There are no attached documents on there.

 I don't believe I put any names.

MR. JIWA: As long as there is no individual names in 1 2 there. 3 44.MR. GRAY: Well, I don't see any individual names. Let's mark this then, but we only have one 4 5 copy, so we will just put a little notation and we will make copies and mark it later. 6 That is fine, sir. 7 THE DEPONENT: 8 45.MR. GRAY: We will mark this as Exhibit 1 to your cross-examination. 9 10 :Interim Report dated May 30, 2010, 11 12 regarding letter of January 24, 13 2010 14 15 16 46. Now, I take it that you concluded in your 0. 17 interim report with respect to the January 24 18 letter...your conclusion is that there is sufficient evidence to support a conclusion that it is highly 19 probable that the writer of the known signature 20 21 specimens K1 to 10, did not write the questioned 22 signature. The writer of the known signature 23 specimens, Prince Karim Aga Khan... 24 Yes, sir. Α.

...did not write the questioned signature

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Q.

- on the second page of the computer-generated letter?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 48. Q. And you concluded that on the basis of the
- 4 10 specimens you had at that time?
- 5 A. Yes, sir.
- 6 49. Q. Which all but one were photocopies; is that
- 7 right?
- A. I believe two. I believe two were
- 9 original, sir, 6 and 7.
- 10 50. Q. So you had two originals and you had eight
- 11 photocopies?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 51. Q. And the originals you had were, at that
- point...the earliest one was 14 years old, April
- 15 2nd, 1996?
- 16 A. I believe so. The documents are dated.
- 17 52. Q. So, based on that, 10 specimens, including
- two originals, the earliest of which was 1996, you
- 19 concluded that it was probable that the letters
- 20 weren't written by the same person?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 53. Q. And I take it that, subsequently, you
- amended this report to become the report that is 9B;
- is that right?
- 25 A. Yes.

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                        The report of June 9 dealing with the same
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               matter?
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               original "My Spiritual Child"; that is correct.
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                        Yes, thank you.
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                        So the 9B is the final report of Exhibit 1?
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               Q.
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                        That is correct, based on the original,
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               yes.
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                        And I am showing you the interim report of
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               Q.
               May 30 on the Federal Court affirmation.
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               right?
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                        Yes.
       58.MR. GRAY:
                        So we will mark that as the next exhibit,
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                        Exhibit 2.
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                          :Interim Report of May 30, 2010,
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                                regarding Federal Court affirmation
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                        And, at this point, you had only a
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               Q.
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               photocopy of the Federal Court affirmation; is that
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               right?
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                        That is correct.
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                        And you had the same limited number of
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               Q.
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- samples, 10 samples?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 61. Q. Of which two are original?
- 4 A. That is correct.
- 5 62. Q. Of which the last original was dated April
- 6 1996?
- 7 A. As noted, yes.
- 8 63. Q. And in the period from 2008 to 2009, you
- 9 had one photocopy from 2009 and one photocopy from
- 10 2007?
- 11 A. As noted, yes.
- 12 64. Q. And on the basis of that, you concluded at
- that time, looking only at the photocopy of the
- 14 affirmation, that:
- 15 "...There is sufficient evidence to support a conclusion
- that the writer of the known specimen
- 17 signatures, Prince Karim Aga Khan, probably
- 18 did not write the questioned signature on
- 19 the Federal Court affirmation..."
- 20 Is that right?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 22 65. Q. Okay. And the final version of this
- Exhibit 2 is your report number 9C?
- 24 A. Yes, sir, that is correct.
- 25 66. Q. In which you strengthened your opinion

- further to say that it is sufficient evidence to
- 2 support a conclusion that Prince Karim Aga Khan did
- not write the questioned signature?
- 4 A. That is correct, sir.
- 5 67. Q. But you were ready to do that on Exhibit 2,
- 6 based on the photocopy of the affirmation?
- 7 A. Not a complete conclusion, no. It was
- 8 probable.
- 9 68. Q. You were prepared to say it was probable at
- 10 that time, based on an examination of a photocopy
- only of the document?
- 12 A. That is correct, sir.
- 13 69. Q. Now, in your reports, did you...I assume
- that anything that was important to you in coming to
- 15 your conclusions, you put in your report?
- 16 A. The primary characteristics that I
- found...I found a lot of similarities, but the
- primary differences that I saw, yes.
- 19 70. Q. Well, anything that was important to your
- 20 conclusions you put in your report?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- 22 71. Q. Okay. And did you undertake any
- examinations, other than what was indicated in your
- 24 report?
- 25 A. No, sir.

- 1 72. Q. Well, did you not...for instance, that
- can't be true. Isn't it true that you undertook an
- 3 examination from Mr. Brian Dalrymple?
- A. That was on a report you have not mentioned
- 5 yet, sir.
- 6 73. Q. Well, I am talking about your reports in
- 7 general when I ask.
- 8 A. All three?
- 9 74. Q. I am talking about all three, so let's go
- 10 back now.
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 75. Q. Was there anything important to you that
- 13 you included in your conclusions that you did not
- 14 put in your reports?
- 15 A. In all three?
- 16 76. O. In all three.
- 17 A. Yes.
- 18 77. O. And what is that?
- 19 A. The examinations conducted by Brian
- Dalrymple.
- 21 78. Q. And that was important to your conclusions?
- 22 A. No. It was consulting with another expert
- 23 to try to determine abnormalities that I was seeing
- 24 within the ink of the third document that I could
- not identify. I was unaware of what I was seeing,

- so I sought the expertise of another expert who may
 be able to assist or identify what I was seeing
 microscopically but could not identify.
- 4 79. Q. Right. You mentioned that in that report,
 5 the third report, the 9D report?
- A. It was inconclusive. He gave no report.

 It was inconclusive. He said he was not qualified

 to opinion. He indicated that it was not within his

 expertise. What he was seeing, he could not comment

 on.
- 11 80. Q. Well, isn't that relevant that it was
 12 non-conclusive? Isn't it relevant that you actually
 13 tested it and it was non-conclusive?

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- A. I suppose. It's in my working notes. It was not a part of my report because there was no opinion to be given or a comment to be made upon it.
- 81. Q. Well, wouldn't there be a comment that you couldn't form a conclusion about whatever it is you were trying to get Mr. Dalrymple to opine about?
- A. I cannot speak for Mr. Dalrymple's opinion or his comments in my report, but I did make a note within my report of the abnormalities that I was seeing that I could not identify.
- 24 82. Q. And what were you asking Mr. Dalrymple to do?

To assist if he could identify what I was 1 Α. I concluded that I thought that the third 2 seeing. 3 document was some form of relief print. I could not 4 identify the process. I could not identify the 5 colour change and tonal changes within the ink. As a well respected and known expert, I thought he 6 7 might be of assistance in the identification. If his identification had proved or ... was any 8 9 significant information that he would have been imparted to me, I would have included it in my 10

12 83. Q. What is a relief print?

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report. He did not.

- A. Relief print? Relief print is a print that
 sits on top of the paper or subsurface, and it can
 either be carved out, like a block print as opposed
 to intaglio, which leaves a raised surface.
- 17 84. Q. Right. So it's sitting on top of the surface?
- 19 A. It's like a stamp, that is correct.
- 20 85. Q. And he could not conclude that it was a stamp?
- A. No. As he indicated to me very clearly, it was not within his expertise to provide an opinion as to whether it was a stamp or not.
- 25 86. Q. So he could not conclude whether it was on

the surface or not? 1 That is correct, and he was not asked that 2 Α. 3 problem. He was asked the problem to assist in 4 identifying tonal differences and changes I could 5 not identify; likely outside of my expertise to comment on because I am not an ink expert. 6 87. 7 Well, did you mention that in your report, 9D, that you are not an ink expert? 8 No. Why would I? 9 Α. 88. Well, because you are examining the ink and 10 0. penetration, are you not? Wasn't that what you were 11 doing? 12 13 No. I was examining the document as to Α. 14 whether or not it was a pen, hand-executed writing 15 and signature. I could not identify it. The 16 hypothesis was that it was not written by hand; 17 therefore, I tried and attempted to identify what 18 process created the writing of the signature. I advised my client, also, that there were other ink 19 20 experts available if he chose to send it to another 21 expert other than myself. 22 89. But you asked Mr. Dalrymple to determine 0. 23 whether it was on the surface or not. He could not 24 determine whether it was on the surface ...

No, sir, I did not say that. I said, sir,

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Α.

- that he was asked to identify, if he could identify,
- 2 the tonal changes within the ink, or what...from a
- 3 spectral analysis perspective, which he is very
- 4 proficient at, could be identify something that I
- 5 could not identify. Visually, I was seeing, but I
- 6 did not know what it was.
- 7 90. Q. So, in your report, you observed the tonal
- 8 abnormalities are seen in the ink distribution, do
- 9 you not, in 9D?
- 10 A. One moment, please. Yes.
- 11 91. Q. Wouldn't it be relevant in mentioning that
- to say that you had sent it out for analysis, and
- the person you sent it to couldn't form a conclusion
- 14 about it?
- 15 A. I did not think so at the time.
- 16 92. Q. You didn't think so at the time. Do you
- 17 think so now?
- 18 A. No, because there was no opinion given.
- 19 93. Q. But isn't that relevant, that you could
- 20 not...you are suggesting there are tonal
- abnormalities and that there are areas that are void
- of ink. And yet, you have sent it out for the very
- 23 purpose of examining that, and the person could form
- 24 no conclusion?
- 25 A. No. I sent it to him...I took it to him to

- try to assist, if he could, in identifying what I
- 2 was seeing. He could not.
- 3 94. Q. And you took it to him to assist you as to
- 4 whether or not there were tonal abnormalities?
- 5 A. I consulted with another forensic expert,
- 6 that is correct.
- 7 95. Q. So you consulted with another forensic
- 8 expert about whether there are tonal abnormalities,
- 9 he could not form a conclusive opinion about it, and
- 10 you didn't think it relevant to mention that in your
- 11 report?
- 12 A. At the time I did not. It was noted in my
- working file.
- 14 96. Q. Now, Mr. Ospreay, are you a member of the
- 15 Canadian Society of Forensic Science?
- 16 A. No, sir.
- 17 97. Q. Are you a member of any forensic science
- 18 organization in Canada?
- 19 A. No, sir.
- 20 98. Q. Now, could you produce for me the originals
- of the letters of January 24 and February 18 that
- you examined?
- 23 A. I don't have those originals, sir. I
- 24 returned them to Mr. Alnaz Jiwa.
- 25 99.MR. GRAY: Mr. Jiwa, I am asking you again to produce

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the originals of the letters of January 24
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                        and February 18 you examined.
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       MR. JIWA:
                     I will not be producing those.
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       100.MR. GRAY:
                         All right. And why is that?
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       MR. JIWA:
                     They are not important those. We don't have
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                        to produce documents in terms of that.
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                        They were...those documents are the only
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                        documents that we have, and we won't be
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                        producing those.
       101.MR. GRAY:
                     You won't produce them, even here in this
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                        room, with yourself present?
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       MR. JIWA:
                     No. I don't have them now. I gave them to
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                        Mr. Tajdin. They both belong to Mr.
14
                        Tajdin.
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       102.MR. GRAY:
                        Will you produce them so that I can
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                        examine them with you present?
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                     It is Mr. Tajdin's documents. They are
       MR. JIWA:
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                        addressed to him, so ...
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       103.MR. GRAY:
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                        Can you produce for me the samples that you
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               referred to in your reports?
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                        Yes, sir. They were given to you
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- 1 105. Q. These are photocopies.
- 2 A. Yes, sir. They are working photocopies.
- 3 106. Q. They are working photocopies?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 107. Q. Do you have the originals of the documents you referred to in...
- A. No, sir, strictly copies that I made. I
 made a file copy and a working copy. The file copy
 remained in the file; the working copy had the names
 of the individuals...for privacy concerns, at the
 request of the client, and per my policy as well, to
 black out...they were blacked out at the request of
- 14 108.MR. GRAY: Mr. Jiwa, I am asking you to produce the originals of the samples that Mr. Ospreay
- 16 looked at.

the client.

- 17 MR. JIWA: We don't have those. We have given them to
 18 the people that had lent to us...you have
 19 to remember, this...this is very, very
 20 important to the individuals who received
 21 them from the Imam, and they had given us
 22 just for a very short time and I returned
 23 them to them again.
- 24 109.MR. GRAY: Okay.

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1 BY MR. GRAY:
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- 2 110. Q. So, Mr. Ospreay, you understand these are
- 3 samples given to you by Mr...who were they given to
- 4 you by, these samples, these so-called known
- 5 samples?
- A. At the time, in the first two reports of
- 7 the 30th and of the 9th, not including the third
- 8 report, were given to me at a meeting by Mr. Alnaz
- 9 and Mr. Nagib Tajdin.
- 10 111. Q. Okay. And do you know where these
- 11 documents came from?
- 12 A. No, sir, I do not.
- 13 112. Q. Do you know the chain of possession of
- 14 these documents?
- 15 A. No, sir, I do not.
- 16 113. Q. In the case of photocopies, do you know if
- they have been changed in the photocopying, or
- 18 anything of that sort?
- 19 A. No, sir.
- 20 114. Q. Do you know anything about the dates of the
- 21 documents?
- 22 A. No, sir.
- 23 115. Q. All right. So you understand provenance,
- obviously, because you were an art examiner at one
- point, right?

Yes, sir. 1 Α. 2 116. You don't know anything about the Q. 3 provenance of these documents; they were just given to you? 4 5 Rarely do I do when a client hires me, sir. Α. 117. But yet, you assumed in your report that 6 0. 7 they were written by His Highness; is that right? Α. If I can bring to your attention, sir, 8 9 the... 118. Let's look at report 9B for the moment, the 10 0. one dated June 9 on the January 24 letter. 11 12 I think in each of my reports, sir, I am Α. 13 very careful to indicate in a statement in the 14 opening to...described as the document such as the 9th on the second, involving the original "Dear 15 Spiritual Child": 16 "...You have submitted documentation of the known signature 17 18 specimens of Prince Aga Khan. You have 19 asked me to render an expert (sic) upon the following. As the standards..." 20 In my conclusions are the standards...or described are the 21 22 standards: 23 "... As the standard of comparison, I have used the following 24 documents purportedly containing the known signatures of ... " 25

I am not a witness to the signing of these, so I cannot 1 claim that they even exist if it's a photocopy. 2 3 119. 0. But let me refer you to your opinion on 4 page 6: "... There is sufficient evidence to support a conclusion 5 that the writer of the known signature 6 7 specimens (standards K1-20), Prince Karim the questioned 8 9 signature on the second page of the computer-generated letter..." 10 11 Now, is that not an unqualified opinion that the Aga Khan 12 did not write the letter of January 24? 13 Α. Yes. 120. And yet, that is based upon your assumption 14 Ο. 15 about the specimens. Are you not assuming that those specimens, which you say are the known 16 signature specimens, Prince Karim Aga Khan...is it 17 18 not inherent in that unqualified opinion, that those 19 signature specimens came from Prince Karim Aga Khan? 20 Α. Two things to that answer, sir: Number 1, in the description of the documents, "purportedly 21 2.2 written" qualifies that it's purportedly written. I 23 am not a witness, therefore, that is why the conclusion of "probably written". And I will tell 24 25 you that, within my documents, with my consultation

- 1 with both clients, I questioned on several occasions
- 2 whether or not Prince Aga Khan signs every document.
- 3 121. Q. But you didn't see him sign any documents,
- 4 did you?
- 5 A. No, sir.
- 6 122. Q. And yet, your opinion appears to be
- 7 a...whatever you may have...you used the word
- 8 "purportedly" on page 3, your opinion is
- 9 unqualified, and appears to suggest that the Aga
- 10 Khan...you have no way of knowing that, do you? You
- 11 have no way of knowing...
- 12 A. No...
- 13 123. Q. All you know...excuse me, just a second.
- 14 All you know is that...if we take your opinion and
- assume it's correct, which obviously we are not
- assuming and we are not agreeing with, but if we
- 17 assume your opinion is correct, all that you are
- purporting to say, really, or should be purporting
- 19 to say, is that the signature on the letter of
- January 24 is not the same as the signatures on the
- sample handwriting; is that right?
- 22 A. I am sorry, you have lost me on what you
- are trying to say there. What is your question,
- 24 sir?
- 25 124. Q. Isn't it fair to say that your opinion

- 1 really is only addressed to the question of whether
- 2 or not the signature on the letter of January 24 is
- 3 similar to or the same as the signatures on the
- 4 sample documents?
- 5 A. That is question posed as to whether or not
- 6 the Aga Khan, in my opinion, signed the document in
- 7 question.
- 8 125. Q. But you don't know which of...as opposed
- 9 to...let's look at your report, 9C. 9C is a copy of
- 10 a Federal Court affirmation. You saw the original
- of that?
- 12 A. No, that is the original, sir, that I have
- 13 marked "Original" on it.
- 14 126. Q. Right. The one you saw is the original?
- 15 A. Yes, I saw both the copy and the original.
- 16 127. Q. And you saw that it was notarized by a
- 17 notary public in Massachusetts?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 128. Q. And are you aware that a lawyer in
- 20 Massachusetts witnessed the signature as well, and
- swore an affidavit to that effect?
- 22 A. I am understanding that, yes.
- 23 129. Q. You understand that. So, as between the
- 24 provenance of a document that has been witnessed by
- a notary public and affirmed to by a lawyer, and the

provenance or authenticity of photocopies and other 1 documents given to you from an unknown source, which 2 3 do you think is more reliable? 4 Α. I am sorry, forgive me. In my practice, 5 and I am sure in other document examiners' practice, oftentimes lawyers' signatures, as many other 6 7 individuals, come into play as to whether they are questioned or not questioned. It is not an uncommon 8 9 problem. I am not a witness to being a party to the signing 10 of that document to the lawyer purportedly being 11 12 there, who the lawyer was, what documentation was 13 relied upon...I understand a passport...to identify 14 the person purportedly as Aga Khan. I am not there to witness that. I can't make comment to that. 15 It's an unfair question. 16 17 130. But you did make a comment on it, didn't 0. 18 you? Isn't your opinion, 9C, a comment on it? Isn't your opinion, 9C...read your opinion to me, 19 20 please. "...There is sufficient evidence to support a 21 Α. 22 conclusion the writer of the known 23 signature specimens (standards 1 to 20), 24 Prince Aga Khan, did not write the 25 questioned signature on the Federal Court

affirmation, Q1..." 1 2 131. Right. So your conclusion is that the Q. 3 Prince Aga Khan, His Highness, did not write the affirmation? Isn't that your conclusion? 4 5 Α. That is correct. 132. And you just told me that you are not here 6 0. 7 to make a judgment as to which one of these signatures is correct? 8 9 Not by witness, sir. Α. 133. Right. Okay. 10 0. You posed a question as to whose 11 Α. 12 credibility is more...a lawyer's signature? I don't 13 go by that. I am impartial. I go by the examinations conducted based upon similarities or 14 dissimilarities of the known signatures and the 15 16 questioned signatures, and that is all. Well, we will let a court decide who is 17 134. Ο. 18 impartial or not. But you are suggesting to me that it is impartial to say that Prince Karim Aga Khan 19 did not write the signatures, rather than simply to 20 make a comparison of the two signatures? You are 21 22 suggesting to me that that is impartial? 23 Based upon my comparisons of the known Α. 24 signature specimens as compared to the questioned signature, it was my opinion he did not sign the 25

signature.

2 135. Q. But how do you know who the "he" is? You

3 have no way of knowing that. You just admitted

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- that. You don't know who the "he" is. All you know is that there is a discrepancy between the two sets of signatures.
- A. Sir, it's based upon an examination of known signature specimens purportedly signed by Aga

 Khan. That is the only examination I can conduct.
- 10 136. Q. Now, can we look at your notes for the
 11 first report, please? Do I understand correctly
 12 that the notes that you would have made in examining
 13 the signatures of the letter of January 24 are the
 14 red handwriting or red circles that are noted on the
 15 documents themselves?
 - A. They are observations as I go through the examination.
- 18 137. Q. Are there any other observations, other than those?
- A. There were written notes there for the May
 30th. Also notes on the folder, and I also was
 using a recorder at the time when I am doing visual
 examinations.
- 24 138. Q. And so you were using a recorder. Are those notes somewhere?

- 1 A. There are notes that are attached to the
- document for the May 30th examinations.
- 3 139. Q. Okay. Well, maybe if you could just hand
- 4 to me the sum total of your notes that you used to
- form your opinion.
- A. Notations on the copies of the known
- 7 signature specimens?
- 8 140. Q. Just hand me that first. So let's deal
- 9 with that first. So the first thing you are showing
- me is the known signature specimens of...they are
- 11 photocopies of K1 to K20?
- 12 A. Yes.
- 13 141. Q. And what you are referring to...
- 14 A. And on the Q.
- 15 142. Q. Sorry?
- 16 A. And on the questions.
- 17 143. Q. Well, let's do one at a time, okay?
- 18 A. Yes, sir.
- 19 144. Q. So the red, what shall I say, circles, if
- you will, on the (a) of the documents, K1 to
- 21 K20...you note "Poor copy" on K1, for instance.
- These are some of your notes?
- 23 A. That is right. They are just points that I
- identify as I am going through the examination.
- 25 145. Q. All right. And if you haven't marked a

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document at all, then you didn't have any notes on
 1
 2
               that document?
 3
               Α.
                        That is correct.
                        Okay. Can we mark this as the next
 4
       146.MR. GRAY:
 5
                        exhibit? We will mark it as a bundle,
                        Exhibit 3, which is the...I would describe
 6
 7
                        it as a photocopy of the so-called known
 8
                        signature specimens that you have examined;
                        is that right?
 9
       THE DEPONENT:
                       That is correct.
10
       147.MR. GRAY:
                         With the names of the persons redacted.
11
                         That is correct.
12
       THE DEPONENT:
13
                          :Photocopy of the so-called known
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15
                               signature specimens, K1-K20,
16
                               examined by Mr. Ospreay
17
18
       148.
                        And where it indicates a photocopy, that is
19
               0.
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               all you had, a photocopy, I take it?
                        That is correct.
21
               Α.
2.2
       149.
                        And where it indicates an original, you had
               Q.
23
               an original, which you no longer have in your
               possession; is that right?
24
                        That is correct. Those would have been
25
               Α.
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taken copies of copies because I would not have 1 2 marked the original. A copy would have been made, 3 and then a working copy made with a blacked out... I believe there is a notation of K1 to K20 on 4 MR. JIWA: 5 them. 6 7 BY MR. GRAY: 8 150. 0. K1 to K20, I think I said that. I hope I 9 said that on the record, but I may have misspoke. That is only written on the copies. The 10 Α. original documents I examined would have a small 11 mark on the bottom of them. 12 13 MR. JIWA: That is K1 to K20. "K1-K20", so that is Exhibit 3. 14 151.MR. GRAY: 15 THE DEPONENT: And I would like to just correct myself on that. They may not have a K1 to 20 on 16 them, on the originals, because I believe I 17 18 was asked not to mark any of the documents. 19 20 Okay. So that is the first...we may have 21 152. Q. 2.2 to make a photocopy because this is in red...a 23 colour copy, but this is the first...these are the first notes basically, just the little circles. 24 Just going through the preliminary 25 Α.

examination and noticing the differences or 1 2 dissimilarities. 3 153. 0. Okay. So then the second set of notes...I 4 am just trying to identify the sum total of your 5 notes. These are observations noted on the copy of 6 Α. 7 the questioned document. 8 154. Okay. So these are notes you made on the letter of January 24, 2010, right? So let's mark 9 that as Exhibit 4. Exhibit 4 is a copy of a letter 10 dated January 24, 2010, with the notation "Q1(a) 11 (original)" in the corner, and some red handwriting 12 13 around the signature. 14 15 :Copy of a letter dated January 24, 2010, 16 with notation "Q1(a) (original)" 17 18 155. That handwriting is your handwriting, is it 19 0. 20 not? That is correct. Those are my notes to 21 Α. 22 myself. 23 156. Q. Okay. The next? 24 This is a copy of...marked as Q2, but it Α.

was Q1 because I requested two separate reports.

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157.
                       So this is a photocopy of an affirmation
 1
             Q.
 2
               signed by Aga Khan on May 12, 2010 in Federal Court,
 3
               marked "Q2" at the top, and, again, it has your
               written notes in red around the...
 4
 5
                       Notes to self, yes.
               Α.
       158.MR. GRAY: Okay. So that is Exhibit 5.
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 7
                         :Photocopy of an affirmation signed by
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 9
                               Aga Khan on May 12, 2010 in Federal
                               Court, marked "Q2" at top
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                       One note on the document, which was not
       THE DEPONENT:
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                        used.
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       159.
                      Okay. So you consider this part of your
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               0.
17
               notes in preparing the report?
18
               Α.
                        It was submitted as a known document, but I
               questioned the size. It was purportedly removed
19
20
               from a website, so I could not determine the...
                        So you consider this part of your notes,
21
       160.
               Q.
22
               things that you...
23
               Α.
                        Well, it was submitted. I made a note to
               it, so, yes. "Not used", it's a note.
24
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       161.MR. GRAY: Okay. So Exhibit 6 is a photocopy of a
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1			portion of a letter marked "Known. Not
2			used".
3			
4			:Photocopy of a portion of a letter
5			marked "Known. Not used"
6			
7	MR. JIW	A: Is	there a date, or something like that?
8	162.MR.	GRAY:	The date, it says "Website launched". It
9			doesn't say any date on the letter.
10	THE DEP	ONENT:	This is just notes to an opening of a
11			file.
12			
13		:	
14	163.	Q.	Okay. Do you consider thisI am talking
15		about th	e notes that you would prepare in
16		preparat	ion for your report, your technical notes.
17		Do you c	onsider the case record to be part of that?
18		Α.	No, it's just part of theyou asked for
19		notes, i	t's part of the notes.
20	164.	Q.	Well, I am interested in the notes that you
21		used to	prepare your report, your technical
22		examinat	ion and report.
23		Α.	There are notes on the file
24	165.	Q.	So I assume we can agree that the case
25		record w	hich has the address

1		A.	Unnecessary, correct.
2	166.	Q.	Okay. So you can have that back.
3		A.	There is one form here. I am trying to
4		find the	other sheet. This is for the initial
5		observat	ions of May 28th.
6	167.	Q.	So you are producing to me a document
7		called "	Worksheet", dated May 28. These were also
8		part of	your notes?
9		A.	They were takenjust transcribed from the
10		voice re	cording.
11	168.	Q.	So this is the stuff transcribed from your
12		voice re	cording?
13		Α.	That is correct.
14	169.MR.	GRAY:	We can mark that as Exhibit 7 then.
15			
16			:Document called "Worksheet", dated May
17			28, transcribed from voice
18			recording of Mr. Ospreay
19			
20	THE DEP	ONENT:	There should be a second sheet. I assume
21			it is in the other file because I cannot
22			find it for the 9th.
23			
24		:	
25	170.	Q.	Well, when you finish looking through that

- file, then maybe you can look through the second 1 2 file so that we have... 3 I have gone through the first. I am going Α. 4 through the second now. 5 171. You are going through the second now? 0. There should be another worksheet 6 Yes. Α. 7 there just for the examination of additional 10 known specimens. 8 9 172. You are pulling out some other ... Q. Yes. This is for the third report. I Α.
- A. Yes. This is for the third report. I

 cannot locate...there should be one for the

 examination of the additional 10 specimens. I've

 got notations inside the folder but I do not...there

 should be a worksheet like that. I don't have it

 here.
- 16 173. O. You do not have it?
- 17 A. I do not have it here, sir.
- 18 174. Q. And you don't have it because it...why?
- 19 A. I don't know, sir.
- 20 175. Q. I see. So, at least insofar as the notes
- you've produced to me today for the examination of
- the first two reports, can we agree that the first
- 23 two reports are examining the signatures of the
- 24 letter of January 24, and the affirmation against
- 25 these 20 samples?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 176. Q. Do you agree with that?
- 3 A. Ten specimens, sir. There was an
- 4 additional 10 submitted, and those are the notes I
- 5 am looking for that just discuss the similarities or
- dissimilarities between the additional 10, and I do
- 7 not have it here, sir. I am sorry. It should be
- 8 here.
- 9 177. Q. So you don't have the ones discussing the
- second 10? But that is not what I asked, really.
- 11 What I am trying to establish is that the first two
- 12 reports were a comparison of the known samples 1 to
- 13 20; in the end, that is how many you got. First you
- 14 got 10, and then you got 10 more, right?
- 15 A. That is correct. May 30th was the 10, and
- then the June 9th was the 20 combined with the extra
- 17 10.
- 18 178. Q. Right. You got 10, and then you got 10
- more. So, in effect, you had 20 in total?
- 20 A. That is correct, right.
- 21 179. Q. And the first two reports, what I would
- call the 9B and 9C reports...
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 180. Q. ...were an analysis of the handwriting in
- 25 the January 24 letter for the 9B report...

- 1 A. Yes.
- 2 181. Q. ...and the affirmation for the 9C report
- 3 compared to the 20 specimens, right?
- 4 A. That is correct.
- 5 182. Q. But the 9D report was not an analysis of
- 6 handwriting comparing it...
- 7 A. No. That is...
- 8 183. Q. ...to known specimens?
- 9 A. ...separate ones here, which I will give
- 10 you now.
- 11 184. Q. Right. That is a separate report. We will
- deal with that later. I just want to confirm that
- that...so, in that report, there is no analysis of
- 14 the comparison of the handwriting because you
- weren't...
- 16 A. No, sir.
- 17 185. Q. You weren't doing that for the 9D report,
- 18 the one...
- 19 A. That is correct.
- 20 186. Q. ...relating to the letter of February 18th?
- 21 A. That is correct. I was...there were known
- documents submitted. They were not used.
- 23 187. Q. Okay. You didn't do a handwriting analysis
- for the letter of February 18?
- 25 A. No, sir.

- 1 188. Q. You didn't compare it to the known specimens, or so-called known specimens?
- 3 A. That is correct, yes, sir.
- 4 189. Q. I am just curious. Why did you not do that?
- Because, under the microscopic examination, 6 Α. 7 there was an initial hypothesis that it was not original handwriting executed by hand, but a form 8 of...some form of print, probably a relief print. 9 am not sure of the identification. I consulted with 10 my client. The client advised that there was no 11 12 need to continue with the examination and comparison 13 of the handwriting, and to concentrate on the print.
- 14 190. Q. So you did not consider whether the letter
 15 of February 18 was, in fact, the Aga Khan signature?
 16 A. No.
- 17 191. And you formed no opinion about that? 0. 18 Α. I consulted with the client, because 19 in cases of high profile individuals where a lot of 20 signatures and documents are written, there is a 21 good chance that signature stamps, autopens, or 22 other form of mechanical devices may be used, or 23 even the secretaries and people to sign for their

25

name.

It happens a lot in sports stars, Hollywood stars,

- politicians. So I questioned that with the client
 as to whether or not Prince Aga Khan actually could
 have signed all documents purportedly being
 submitted to his group worldwide. The client
 initially had indicated that it was pretty certain
- 7 192. Q. And so, your client indicated that...it is 8 pretty certain that Aga Khan would sign stuff in 9 person? That is what your client indicated to you?

Yes.

that Aga Khan would sign everything in person.

11 193. Q. And notwithstanding that, and
12 notwithstanding the concern that the January 24
13 letter was an forgery, and the concern that the
14 affirmation filed in the Federal Court was a
15 forgery, you did not examine whether the letter of

February 18 was allegedly a forgery?

17 A. No.

Α.

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- 18 194. Q. Now, going back to the reports of 9B and
 19 9C, the two reports of June 9 that related to the
 20 signature analyses, right, those two reports.
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- 22 195. Q. Do I now have the sum total of the notes 23 that you brought with you today concerning the 24 examination of the signatures...
- 25 A. No, sir. As indicated, the file folder has

- notes as well, sir. If you want, I will find...
- 2 196. Q. Could you produce that? I guess we will
- 3 have to...
- A. Do you want the attachments or...that is
- 5 what goes inside that file.
- 6 197. Q. No, I don't think we need to do that. I
- 7 just want to mark the notes so that I am confident
- 8 that I have the sum total of the notes that you took
- 9 in relation to...
- 10 A. That would be the sum total, except there
- 11 was another transcribed document, and it is not here
- and I do not...I have no explanation why it is not
- here. It would be simply be an examination of the
- 14 10 additional specimens with conclusions being the
- 15 same.
- 16 198. Q. Well, that's unfortunate because...you have
- no explanation why it's not here?
- 18 A. No, sir, I have not.
- 19 199. Q. And you know that we sent you a notice to
- 20 produce and bring those documents with you?
- 21 A. Yes, sir, you did. And I did transcribe
- it. I did read it, and I have no idea what I have
- done with it.
- 24 200. Q. Did you look through the file before you
- 25 brought it with you?

- 1 A. I thought I did, yes. I thought it was
- 2 there.
- 3 201. Q. Were those notes in there before you...
- A. I thought they were, yes, sir.
- 5 202. Q. I see. So, can you tell me, in respect of
- 6 your notes, other than...I see the notes on the
- 7 file, and they tell me about the dates of your
- 8 meeting with the various clients, I suppose, with
- 9 Mr. Jiwa and Mr. Tajdin?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 203. Q. Can I come over and stand near you?
- 12 A. Yes, of course.
- 13 204. Q. Because we only have one copy.
- 14 A. Not a problem, sir.
- 15 205. Q. So I am looking at the file folder here,
- and I see dates that relate to the meetings
- 17 with...is that Mr. Jiwa you are meeting with on May
- 18 27?
- 19 A. That would have been these two individuals
- and this individual, sir.
- 21 206. Q. So, Mr. Ali Dhalla and Mr. Naqib Tajdin and
- 22 Mr. Alnaz Jiwa?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 207. Q. Okay. So I am not interested in that right
- 25 at the moment. What I am interested in is your

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technical notes about the signatures and the sum
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               total of that. So before I mark this file ...
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                        Here, outside of the recorded...that is a
               Α.
 4
               copy of the May 30th notes here, May 30th, the
 5
               recording of May 30, there is a transcript of that.
                And then this would have been the written portion
 6
               in the file after the examination on June 7th,
 7
               before the report. And at the same time as I was
 8
 9
               going through the examination, I would be dictating
               to myself or speaking to myself on the tape.
10
                      Okay. So these are other reports, right?
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       208.
               0.
               This is...
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               Α.
                        No.
                             This is for the examination of the
               additional 10 specimens.
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       209.
               Q.
                        All right. The inside of the file folder?
                        That is correct.
16
               Α.
17
       210.
                        So we had better mark...unfortunately, we
               0.
18
               now have to mark the file folder as an exhibit.
19
                        That is fine, sir.
               Α.
                        So we will mark this as Exhibit 8. I will
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       211.
               0.
21
               put a little pencil mark on the outside for the
22
               moment. And this is a file folder marked "Naqib
23
               Tajdin, Alnaz Jiwa, Re Prince Karim Aga Khan". I
24
               quess this is your file number, GPO-587-10?
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That is correct, sir.

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Α.

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And it contains some additional notes
       212.
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               inside the file?
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               Α.
                        Yes, sir.
                          That will be Exhibit 8.
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       213.MR. GRAY:
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                          :File folder marked "Nagib Tajdin, Alnaz
 6
 7
                                Jiwa, Re Prince Karim Aga Khan",
                                from Mr. Ospreay's file number
 8
                                GPO-587-10
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11
                        Okay. So, other than the notes on the last
12
       214.
               Q.
13
               10 specimens that you have...can't explain where
               they are, are there any other notes that relate to
14
               your examination of the signatures?
15
16
                        No. sir.
               Α.
       215.
                        All right. Now, can you tell me where you
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               0.
18
               have...do your notes in any way indicate that there
               are similarities between the known signatures and
19
20
               the letter of January 24?
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                         I believe they do, yes. I believe there
               Α.
               are some similarities I have noted. I don't know if
22
23
               I have noted specifically, outside of letter
24
               formations.
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Q. Can you show me in, and let's start with

216.

- Exhibit 3...have you indicated in Exhibit 3 anywhere
- 2 where there are similarities?
- 3 A. No. I believe in the working notes I
- 4 have...the only thing I have marked in here is what
- 5 I classified in...circled in red or put arrows to in
- 6 regards to dissimilarities between the questioned
- 7 and known. In my working notes, I believe, either
- 8 in the folder file or in the initial 30th
- 9 documents...
- 10 217. Q. We will get to that. Let's just deal with
- one at a time for the record.
- 12 A. This is simply just what I am finding are
- dissimilarities on the working copies.
- 14 218. Q. Okay. So it is fair to say, for at least
- 15 Exhibit 3, you've only noted dissimilarities?
- 16 A. That is correct.
- 17 219. Q. All right. Let's look at Exhibit 4. Can
- 18 you hand me back Exhibit 3, please?
- 19 A. Yes. And the same with that, sir.
- 20 220. Q. The same with Exhibit 4, you've only noted
- 21 dissimilarities there; is that right?
- 22 A. No. Actually, I've got K11 and K20,
- 23 similar...
- 24 221. Q. Can I come over again, please?
- 25 A. Yes, sir. It is similar to the point here,

- but mostly dissimilar to the others. This was an
- inner comparison between the known specimens.
- 3 222. Q. So you've noted there at K11 is similar to
- 4 the "h" at the top? Is that what you are
- 5 indicating?
- 6 A. Yes. So this is indicating that in all the
- 7 other specimens, except for two, the point or the
- arc of the uppercase of the...excuse me, upper loop
- 9 of the "h" is actually going this way, where the
- 10 rest of them sort of go most backward.
- 11 223. Q. Okay. So can you just read in Exhibit 4
- 12 what you have written there, next to the signature
- at the top? Let's start with the (a). Have you
- 14 written...
- 15 A. Here, I've got:
- 16 "...Dissimilar curve at top..."
- 17 Pointing to this.
- 18 224. Q. Let's just read what you...you wrote:
- 19 "...Diss curve at top..."
- 20 A. Yes,
- 21 "...Diss curve..."
- 22 which is dissimilar.
- 23 225. Q. Which stands for dissimilar?
- A. Yes, it is just short...notes to myself.
- 25 226. Q. Okay. Then on the left?

- 1 A. "...No initial stroke in 'a'..."
- 2 227. Q. Right.
- 3 A. "...Acute angle..."
- I've got here for the circle of the "g", and I wrote:
- 5 "...Lower speed evident here..."
- 6 228. O. At the bottom.
- 7 A. Slower speed.
- 8 229. Q. And over next to the "h", you've written:
- 9 "...K11 similar, and K20..."
- 10 A. "...but mostly dissimilar to others..."
- 11 230. Q. All right. So you have noted a similarity
- there in your examination of Exhibit 4 in your
- 13 notes?
- 14 A. That is correct.
- 15 231. Q. Did you mention any similarities in your
- report of 9B or 9C?
- 17 A. No, I don't think I have.
- 18 232. Q. And why is that? Isn't it important to
- 19 mention similarities as well as differences?
- 20 A. Well, I believe the similarities that I
- found, as I think noted in probably the written
- 22 notes there, were due to the simulation process.
- This is not a signature that someone has signed
- 24 without having a model signature, or either a
- 25 practised hand or a model signature. So the

- 1 similarities would be common because someone is
- 2 trying to copy the characteristics of another
- 3 writer.
- 4 233. Q. But isn't it important to mention that
- 5 there are similarities as well as dissimilarities if
- 6 you are trying to get an impartial...
- 7 A. I suppose it could be, yes.
- 8 234. Q. Okay. And Exhibit 5 then, these are your
- 9 notes on the affirmation; is that correct? Sorry, I
- 10 am coming over again. Can I take it that...
- 11 A. 100 percent, sir.
- 12 235. Q. No objection? I don't have to ask each
- 13 time?
- 14 A. Not at all, sir. Not at all.
- 15 236. Q. All right.
- 16 A. No. Again, the same dissimilarities I was
- 17 finding between the two, no initial stroke, a
- dissimilar curve at the top again. I've got:
- 19 "...Eyelet smaller to most knowns..."
- in the lower loop of the "g". What I have identified here
- as probable pen lifts between the terminal of the
- 22 "h" and the "a", and then the terminal of the "a" to
- the "n", also noted:
- 24 "...Slower speed of writing..."
- 25 237. Q. Right. But do you note again...you said

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something similar?
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                        No, I don't think so.
               Α.
 3
       238.
               0.
                        No, you didn't find it similar to most
 4
               knowns? You found no...you didn't note any
               similarities?
 5
                        No. I was strictly marking for
 6
 7
               dissimilarities.
 8
       239.
                        You were only marking dissimilarities?
               0.
 9
                        Yes, sir.
               Α.
       240.
                        But you agree with me it's important to
10
               Ο.
               indicate similarities if there are any. Okay. I
11
12
               won't ask you about Exhibit 6. That is the one you
13
               didn't use. Now, Exhibit 7, can you...I'm afraid I
               am going to have to ask you to read Exhibit 7
14
15
               because we are having trouble reading...
16
                        Notes to self, yes.
               Α.
       241.
17
                        Yes. Maybe you can just read that.
               Ο.
18
               Α.
                        Upper portion, I've got "From Recorder".
       242.
                        Just read it as you have written it...
19
               Ο.
20
       Α.
               "... File opened. Working and file copy made of Q1,
                        Q2, K1, K10. Only two original Ks
21
22
                        submitted. Blocked out personal names on
23
                        Ks. Q1 letter to Spiritual Child
24
                        original/affirmation copy [marked it as
                        Q1].
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Preliminary examination of knowns. Narrow
 1
                        variation. Microscopic examination with
 2
 3
                         Leica, and peak and low-level magnifiers.
 4
                         Light source both fluorescent, overhead and
 5
                         oblique. 'K' is relatively dynamic in
                        movement..."
 6
 7
       Sorry, I am not sure what that word is I've got written
               there.
 8
       "...Speed of writing consistent. No hesitation to movement.
 9
                         Moderate to light pen pressure, times two,
10
                        K6, K7..."
11
12
       243.
                        So, this is your examination of the known
               Q.
13
               specimens, is it?
                        Yes. This is...
14
               Α.
                        It is not an examination of the actual
15
       244.
               Ο.
               questioned document?
16
17
                        I am getting to that, and that is the
               Α.
18
               initial... I always go through... I always like to
19
               look at the individual's knowns first for variation,
20
               any changes.
       "...Q1 letter, no initial stroke to 'a'..."
21
       I've got a diagram there, and I have marked these, and I
2.2
23
               believe there are some samples in my attached
               exhibits. There is no initial "a" curve or ... excuse
24
               me, stroke to the "a".
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- 1 "...Curve in upper part of terminal 'a' [different]..."
- 2 I have got "diff" for different.
- 3 "...Connecting strokes more arced..."
- 4 You've got arced here in the "a".
- 5 "...Some hesitation in movement found..."
- In this portion of the "h" I've got identified here, here
- 7 and in the "a".
- 8 "...Size of points, 'q' and the 'h' [which were the
- 9 angularity]. Q1 affirmation similar to
- 10 letter, dissimilarities to 'K's. Pen lifts
- 11 between [as I described earlier] 'h', 'a'
- 12 and 'n'..."
- 13 245. Q. Sorry, can I stop you right there? What do
- 14 you mean by "affirmation similar to letter"?
- 15 A. That I...I did a comparison between
- the...both questioned signatures, and I found that
- the dissimilarities that I was finding were found in
- both of the questioned signatures.
- 19 246. Q. Okay. So, did you form an opinion as to
- 20 whether both questioned signatures were written by
- 21 the same person?
- 22 A. I would...I assumed that, yes.
- 23 247. Q. You assumed that they were?
- 24 A. That is correct.
- 25 248. Q. That is your view right at the moment?

- 1 That is your opinion?
- 2 A. I did not give an opinion on it because I
- 3 was not asked to compare the two.
- 4 249. Q. That is your opinion at the moment?
- 5 A. I...the similarities were the same, I would
- assume as a critical assumption. Potentially, it
- 7 could be written by the same individual but I did
- 8 not give an examination to make that conclusion.
- 9 250. Q. Okay.
- 10 A. "...Similarities in formations found, possibly due
- 11 to freehand simulation process. Further
- 12 'K's should be submitted, and should be
- more contemporary to Qs. Telephone call
- 14 to..."
- 15 251. Q. Can I stop you right there?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 252. Q. So you think that further samples should be
- submitted and should be more contemporary to the
- 19 questioned documents?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 253. Q. And did you put that in your report, that
- you needed more samples and more contemporary to the
- 23 questioned documents?
- A. No, it was verbally given to my client.
- 25 254. Q. But you didn't put that as a qualification

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in your report?
 1
 2
                        No, sir, I did not.
               Α.
 3
       "...Telephone call to Alnaz. Preliminaries discussed.
 4
                        Alnaz requested written report based upon
 5
                        the submissions. Letter highly probable
 6
                        not signed by Aga Khan. Affirmation
                        probably did not..."
 7
 8
       255.MR. GRAY:
                        Okay. Thank you. Just go off the record
                         for a second.
 9
10
               A BRIEF RECESS
11
12
13
                      , resumed
14
15
       256.
               Q.
                        Mr. Ospreay, it's been pointed out to me
16
               that I referred to your affidavit as sworn on July
               15th, but it was really sworn on July 14th.
17
18
               Α.
                        Okay.
       257.
19
                        We can agree that your affidavit was the
20
               affidavit of July...
                         I will concur.
21
               Α.
22
       258.
                        All right. Anyway, it was July 14th.
               Q.
23
               Okay. So, carrying on here, can you tell me now,
24
               looking at your report that is, for instance,
               at...let's see...sorry, I am showing you your
25
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- Exhibit 4, which is your notes of the Aga Khan's 1 signature of January 24. 2 3 Α. Yes.
- 259. 4 0. Now, you haven't got any notes on the "a", the second "a". 5
- No. 6 Α.
- Did you examine the second "a" for 7 260. 0. similarities or dissimilarities? 8
- I would have examined all portions of it. 9 Α.
- 261. But you don't have any notes indicating any 10 Q. differences or similarities? 11
- 12 Α. No.
- 13 262. Q. Why is that?
- Probably finding that wasn't significant. 14 Α.
- You found that they were similar, the "a" 15 263. Q.
- 16 was similar?

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- If I don't have any notations there...all I 17 Α. 18 have noted on these documents is what I found to be consistent dissimilarity throughout the questioned 19 20 signatures, as compared to all of the other
- 22 264. But on the "a", you are saying you didn't Ο.
- find any dissimilarities? 24 Α. No.
- 265. 25 Q.**.** Nothing of note?

signatures.

- 1 A. Well, I mean, if you will go to my...if I
- 2 can have the charts that go with it.
- 3 266. Q. The charts. Okay. I am happy to do that,
- 4 but I am not sure what you are referring to.
- 5 A. Well, the charts that are attached to the
- 6 report in relation to this...
- 7 267. Q. Okay.
- 8 A. ...particular document.
- 9 268. Q. You've got the report there, don't you?
- 10 A. There would be better examples within the
- original report that you have in the file there.
- 12 269. Q. Okay. Well, you've got the report there.
- 13 A. Excuse me, I am sorry. I know the copies
- 14 here are not the best.
- 15 270. Q. So this letter of January 24 refers to
- the...is your report 9B, is it not?
- 17 A. Okay. I am just looking at copies of the
- charts that I have for...the one on the letter, I
- 19 believe it is.
- 20 271. Q. Okay. Well, are we looking at the same
- thing? I just want to make sure we are looking at
- the same thing.
- 23 A. That is the signature there. That is the
- one you are looking at there, correct?
- 25 272. Q. Yes. I am looking at your notes.

- 1 A. That is correct. And you are asking me about the terminal portion of the...
- 3 273. Q. So I take it that you didn't make any
- 4 comments in your notes about the second "a"?
- 5 A. No.
- 6 274. Q. That is because you found the second "a" to
- 7 be similar?
- A. Well, I mean, if I am looking, I am going
- 9 through this demonstration, you see some of the
- 10 times it is long, sometimes it's short. Here it is
- very short, here it is very short, so it is similar.
- 12 Although not as short as K2, it's similar somewhat
- 13 to...
- 14 275. Q. So the answer is you found the second "a"
- 15 to be similar? That is why you didn't make a...
- 16 A. It was not a fundamental dissimilarity.
- 17 276. Q. Not a point of dissimilarity; is that
- 18 right?
- 19 A. That is correct...not a fundamental
- 20 dissimilarity.
- 21 277. Q. And I take it that you didn't mention...in
- your notes here, you don't mention the "K" at all,
- 23 do you?
- A. No, not there.
- 25 278. Q. So you didn't find that dissimilar?

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If it's not noted, no.
 1
               Α.
 2
       279.
                        And the "a" and the "n" in the signature,
               Q.
 3
               you don't make any notes there in your notes?
 4
               Α.
                        No.
 5
       280.
                        Okay. Again, you didn't find those
               0.
               dissimilar?
 6
 7
                        Well, you've got to take into consideration
               the natural variation in the writing of all the
 8
               signatures, which is examined, and whether it's far
 9
               out. Again, if you note...just an amendment in
10
11
               regards to my statement to you earlier in regards to
12
               that there were no notations, that there were
13
               similarities, I did not note specific similarities
14
               in my report. But in my page 5, second paragraph, I
15
               discussed the point of freehand simulation.
               last sentence:
16
17
       "...In either case, the appearance will resemble in some
18
                        manner the genuine writing..."
       Again, I state, as my notes indicate:
19
20
       "...This is due to the simulation process..."
       If it's simulated, then, yes, you are going to have points
21
               of similarities. But again, within that paragraph:
2.2
23
       "...Some subtle details may escape the eye of the individual
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281.

Q.

executing the actual signature itself..."

But you didn't note any dissimilarities for

- some of the letters, right?
- 2 A. Specifically, no. I identified what I
- 3 thought were fundamentally consistently different.
- 4 282. Q. And you didn't note that in your report,
- 5 that there were similarities with respect to some of
- 6 the letters?
- 7 A. Not specifically. In generic I did there,
- 8 yes.
- 9 283. Q. Can I turn then to 9C, that is, your report
- 10 9C, which is on the affirmation?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 284. Q. And can I ask you to refer to the chart,
- 13 Chart 4 of that report?
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 285. Q. And again, I note that you make no comment
- on the second "a" in the signature.
- 17 A. That is correct.
- 18 286. Q. Because you find that to be similar?
- 19 A. In movement, yes.
- 20 287. Q. Okay. And the "K", again, no comment?
- A. No comment to the "K".
- 22 288. Q. Again, you found that to be similar?
- 23 A. I made no comment. It's not whether I find
- it similar, it is if I found any dissimilarities,
- 25 unexplained dissimilarities.

You didn't find it dissimilar. I take it 289. 1 that the "h" as well, you didn't find that to be 2 3 dissimilar? 4 Α. Not fundamentally dissimilar. 5 290. And the "n", you didn't find that to be 0. fundamentally dissimilar? 6 7 Α. That is correct. 291. 0. Okay. And specifically, you didn't mention 8 9 that in your report, 9C as well? No. Not that I am aware of, no. I've 10 Α. identified what I considered to be fundamental 11 dissimilarities that are consistent as a 12 13 dissimilarity throughout the comparison of the known specimens. 14 15 292. 0. Now, when we went through your notes, you indicated you were missing notes relating to the 10 16 additional known specimens? 17 18 Yes, sir. Α. 293. So the notes that you had...are missing are 19 0. 20 relating to the known specimens; they are not relating to the questioned signatures? 21 2.2 No, because the examination of the Α. 23 questioned signatures were already executed. The

comparison, if I remember correctly from reading

that initial document, that it identified the same

24

- dissimilarities in the additional 10 to the 1 2 questioned signature. 3 294. 0. Well, the question is that the missing notes don't relate to the known signatures; they 4 5 relate to the 10 samples, additional samples? They relate to the additional 10, and 6 Α. $N \circ .$ 7 a comparison of the 10 to the questioned. And some of those notations are made on the second side of 8 the...or the inside side of the file folder. 9 295. Right. Okay. Now, do you know how old His 10 Q. Highness Prince Karim Aga Khan is? 11 I gather from Mr. Lindblom's affidavit that 12 Α. 13 I was given a copy of, he is in his seventies.
- 14 296. Q. Right. And did you know that at the time
 15 when you...
- 16 A. No, sir, I did not.
- 17 297. Q. Would that be a relevant thing to know?
- A. Possibly.
- 19 298. Q. Well, is it a relevant thing or not, that
 20 he is in his seventies?
- A. It depends on the health of the individual,
 sir. Age does not necessarily mean there is a
 degradation of one's motor skills or motor ability
 to write. I have seen people who are in their
- 25 hundreds who can write better than you and I.

- 1 299. Q. Do signatures evolve over time?
- 2 A. They can. Sometimes they stay consistent.
- 3 300. Q. Okay. But they can evolve over time?
- 4 A. They can. Again, it depends on the
- 5 person's physical ability, mental skills. It could
- 6 be influence of alcohol, drugs.
- 7 301. Q. I didn't ask about alcohol or drugs. I am
- 8 asking...
- 9 A. Well, that could influence it, sir. You
- 10 are asking for influences and that could influence
- 11 it.
- 12 302. Q. Okay. And so they can evolve over time?
- 13 A. They can.
- 14 303. Q. Are they more likely to evolve in a person
- who is old than in a person who is young?
- 16 A. It depends on the health of the individual.
- 17 304. Q. Right. But are they more likely to evolve
- in a person who is old...
- 19 A. As one gets older, you would assume there
- 20 could be a degeneration of one's neuromuscular
- 21 control. But, again, I have seen opposite of that
- 22 as well. It is not a given.
- 23 305. Q. Right. But you agree with me that
- 24 handwriting undergoes many natural changes over
- 25 time?

It can, yes. Some yes, some no. Some have 1 Α. a wide variation, some have a narrow variation. 2 3 Some people stay consistent until some mitigating factor occurs such as ill health or sudden ill 4 5 health. 306. Well, don't you think that the age of a 6 0. 7 person might be a qualification you should put in your report? 8 9 No. Α. 307. No, you don't? You don't think that is 10 0. something... 11 12 Unless they were very infirm, I cannot give Α. 13 opinion as to one's medical condition. 308. What about the change over time...why do 14 15 you need it contemporaneous? You agree with me that 16 you do need contemporaneous specimens? 17 It's best suited, yes. Α. 18 309. 0. And why do you need those? Because there is a possibility of change over time? 19 There could be. It could also be the fact 20 Α. that...I have seen where an individual has a broken 21 22 arm at the particular time the document is 23 purportedly executed. So, yes, it's always best 24 suited to have like-type documents executed as close

to or on the same time frame as the questioned

- 1 signatures as possible.
- 2 310. Q. And you didn't mention that in your report
- 3 either about the need for contemporaneous documents?
- A. No. It was mentioned to the client. It
- 5 was caught within the first observations and the
- first conclusions, and it was mentioned to the
- 7 client. The client indicated it was very difficult
- 8 to get any form of original signatures from Aga Khan
- because of the sensitivity...
- 10 311. Q. But not mentioned in your report is the
- 11 qualification for your firm opinion that the Aga
- 12 Khan didn't write the documents?
- 13 A. No, because in my observations of
- 14 the...even though there is a long period between
- some of the earliest signatures and some of the
- latest signatures, I have noted in both my reports
- that there is natural variation in people's
- handwriting and signatures; some are narrow, some
- 19 are wide. In the case of the purported Aga Khan
- signatures, I found that the variation was narrow.
- 21 312. Q. Right. Now, it's funny you should mention
- the broken arm. Do you understand that His Highness
- 23 had a skiing accident in December of 2008?
- 24 A. No knowledge at all, sir.
- 25 313. O. You did not know that?

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No, sir.
 1
               Α.
 2
       314.
                         So, Mr. Jiwa did not tell you that?
               Q.
 3
                         No, sir.
               Α.
                         And do you consider that relevant?
 4
       315.
               Q.
                         If it was in relation to the date of the
 5
               Α.
               questioned documents and it was his writing hand and
 6
               he is not ambidextrous, yes, it could be.
 7
 8
       316.
                         Right. And it was his right shoulder, and
               0.
 9
               he is right-handed. Did you know that?
                        No idea.
10
               Α.
                        You did not know that?
11
       317.
               Q.
                        No, sir.
12
               Α.
13
       318.
               Q.
                         So, does that cause you to change your
               opinion now?
14
                        No, sir.
15
               Α.
16
       319.
                        It doesn't?
               0.
17
                         No, sir.
               Α.
18
       320.
               Ο.
                         Even if I tell you that he had a skiing
19
               accident in December of 2008 and he broke his right
20
               arm and he is right-handed, that doesn't cause you
               to change your opinion?
21
22
                        No, sir.
               Α.
23
       321.
                         It doesn't cause you to qualify it in any
               Q.
24
               way?
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Α.

No, sir.

1 322. Q. It doesn't cause you to consider even mentioning it as a relevant factor in your...

don't know about.

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- A. It is not part of my knowledge base in regards to the task at hand and the examination of these documents. I cannot comment to something I
- 7 323. Well, I understand that you didn't know 0. about it at the time you wrote the report. I 8 understand that. But now, I am telling you this. 9 am telling you to assume that that is correct, and 10 Mr. Jiwa can confirm. He knows that it's correct. 11 12 So I am asking you to assume that it is correct, 13 that His Highness had a skiing accident which 14 injured his shoulder and arm, his writing hand in 15 December of 2008, okay? Now, are you telling me that that is not a relevant factor that you would 16
 - A. It could be if, in fact, there were drastic changes to the ability to sign.

need to consider in analyzing the handwriting?

- 20 324. Q. So if you knew that, that would be a
 21 qualification you would put in your report, isn't
 22 it?
- 23 A. I would ask for documents related to that, 24 yes.
- 25 325. Q. You would ask for documents that were

- 1 signed after December 2008 and before December 2008?
- 2 A. That is correct.
- 3 326. Q. All right. And in that regard, in respect
- 4 of documents signed after December 2008, you have
- one document, one photocopy; is that correct?
- A. I don't have the dates in front of me. I
- 7 don't recall...
- 8 327. Q. Well, can we just look at that, your
- 9 reports?
- 10 A. This is the affirmation?
- 11 328. O. Either one.
- 12 A. It doesn't matter, either one is fine.
- Which one, sir?
- 14 329. Q. Can we agree that you are looking at the
- same known samples in...
- 16 A. Yes, sir. Which one?
- 17 330. Q. ...9B and 9C? So, if we look at...let's
- just take the 9B report.
- 19 A. The "K"s are similar. So, which one are
- 20 you referring to, sir?
- 21 331. Q. 9B.
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 332. Q. Okay. And let's look at the list of known
- signatures, K1 to K20.
- 25 A. This is the court affirmation, sir?

- 1 333. Q. Either one. If you would rather you have
- 2 that one...either one is...
- A. I'm sorry, I've got too many documents in
- front of me here.
- 5 334. Q. Can we agree that...
- 6 A. I'm on 9B.
- 7 335. Q. 9B, it doesn't matter.
- A. It doesn't matter.
- 9 336. Q. We can agree that 9B and 9C are the same
- samples?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 337. Q. So they have the same disadvantages,
- advantages, or problems, or...
- 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 15 338. Q. ...with respect to the timing of the
- 16 specimens?
- 17 A. Yes, sir.
- 18 339. Q. It's the same specimens you used in both
- reports, right?
- 20 A. Yes, sir.
- 21 340. Q. So, if we look at K1, that is a photocopy
- purportedly dated December 11, 2009, right?
- 23 A. Yes, sir.
- 24 341. Q. And can we agree that, in respect of the
- samples you had that were after December of 2008,

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you have one photocopy at K1? That is the only
 1
 2
               document you have after December of 2008?
                        Just confirming, sir. One moment, please.
 3
               Α.
 4
                Yes, sir, you are correct.
 5
       342.
                        That is one photocopy. And can we also
               0.
               look at that document for a minute? That is in
 6
 7
               Exhibit 3, is it not? That is the list of so-called
               known documents? I will show you. The first one is
 8
 9
               K1? This is K1 that you have seen?
                        Yes, sir.
10
               Α.
       343.
11
               Q.
                        And what you had at the time, K1 was a
12
               photocopy?
13
                        A poor copy, yes.
               Α.
       344.
14
                        A poor photocopy?
               Q.
15
               Α.
                        Yes.
       345.
                        That is right. And you have the second
16
               0.
17
               page of a letter with a signature?
18
                        I am sorry, sir?
               Α.
       346.
                        K1 is the second page of something, anyway.
19
               Ο.
20
               Α.
                        This is all I was given. It would be...
                        It has the words:
21
       347.
               Q.
22
       "... 'Particularly in my heart and thoughts and prayers at
23
                        this time.' Yours affectionately, Aga
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Khan..."

25 Right?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 348. Q. So, did you see the first page of that
- 3 document?
- A. No. This is all that was submitted, sir.
- 5 349. Q. And how do you know it was dated December
- 6 11, 2009?
- 7 A. It was in the listing of documents, I
- 8 believe, provided by the client.
- 9 350. Q. So, in other words, Mr. Jiwa or Mr. Tajdin
- told you it was dated December 11, 2009?
- 11 A. Yes, sir.
- 12 351. Q. So you have no personal knowledge of that?
- 13 A. No, sir.
- 14 352. Q. And the document itself doesn't say it on
- 15 it?
- 16 A. No, sir.
- 17 353. Q. So, now we have a poor photocopy of a
- document of uncertain date, really, supposedly dated
- December 11, 2009, and that is the only document we
- 20 have that is after the accident of December 2008?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- 22 354. Q. And, indeed, will you agree with me that,
- in the last almost five years, over four and a half
- years, the only documents you have are a photocopy,
- 25 that photocopy we just looked at, K1? Can you look

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1 again at the list?
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- 2 A. Yes, it's most contemporaneous to the
- 3 questioned document, yes.
- 4 355. Q. And then you've got a photocopy
- 5 dated...first of all, you have nothing in 2008. Can
- 6 you agree with me on that?
- 7 A. Yes, sir.
- 8 356. Q. And you have one document, a photocopy in
- 9 2007?
- 10 A. Yes, sir.
- 11 357. Q. Nothing in 2006?
- 12 A. Yes, sir.
- 13 358. Q. And nothing in 2005, until we get to the
- document that is marked K14, 15 and 16, the
- originals on November 2005?
- 16 A. Yes, sir.
- 17 359. Q. So, from November of 2005 until now, the
- only samples you looked at were two photocopies:
- One in 2007 and one poor photocopy we looked at in
- 20 2009?
- 21 A. Yes, sir.
- 22 360. Q. It's essential, isn't it, to have
- 23 contemporaneous documents?
- 24 A. It is best suited, yes, sir.
- 25 361. Q. Well, isn't it important to have

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               contemporaneous...
 2
                         It depends on whether there are drastic
               Α.
 3
               changes. When I looked at the time space between
 4
               the earliest signatures and the latest signatures, I
 5
               noted that the variation within the Aga Khan
               signature, if, in fact, he has signed all these
 6
 7
               signatures, was narrow. They were relatively
               consistent over the period of time.
 8
       362.
 9
                        Well, Mr. Ospreay, did you not write an
               0.
               article in the Toronto Chapter Newsletter of the
10
               Association of Certified Fraud Examiners in June of
11
12
               2010, and did you not state in that article that
13
               it's important to have writing which has been
               written in the same time period contemporary as the
14
               questioned writing?
15
16
                        Yes. I am not saying it is not.
               Α.
       363.
                        So you don't disagree with that?
17
               Ο.
18
               Α.
                        I never did.
       364.
                        You wrote that?
19
               0.
20
               Α.
                        Yes.
       365.
                        You agree that it's important to have
2.1
               0.
2.2
               writing that is contemporaneous?
23
               Α.
                        Yes.
24
       366.
                        Okay. And in the same article, do you not
               Q.
               say that handwriting undergoes many natural changes?
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1 A. Yes.
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- 2 367. Q. And you agree with that?
- 3 A. It can.
- 4 368. Q. But you said in your article that:
- 5 "...Handwriting undergoes..."
- 6 You didn't say "can". It said:
- 7 "...Handwriting undergoes many natural changes..."
- 8 A. Well, I mean, you are not looking at a
- 9 scientific paper. You are looking at an article for
- 10 publication purposes.
- 11 369. Q. Okay. So you don't agree with what you
- 12 wrote there?
- 13 A. Yes. I think that you are trying to put a
- 14 consistent on something. Handwriting is not
- 15 consistent. It can be consistent in some
- individuals, and it can change overnight. It can
- 17 change from sitting, standing. So, there are a lot
- of variations within the complicated process of
- 19 writing. Generally, in statements for document
- examination, yes, it's best to have as close to date
- 21 and as many specimens as possible.
- 22 370. Q. Well, it's important, you've agreed?
- 23 A. It's important.
- 24 371. Q. Okay. And can we agree that...we've
- 25 already said this...that the problems that we talked

about in terms of samples are the same, whether it's 1 2 9B or 9C, the reports where you've examined... 3 I concur with that, yes. Α. 4 372. Q. Now, in your report 9B, can I turn your 5 attention to page 4, and your first observation there? You say: 6 7 "...I have considered such characteristics as signature 8 design, letter formations, variation, 9 movement, size, proportion, writing speed, pen pressure, spacing, connecting strokes 10 [et cetera]..." 11 12 Right? 13 Α. Yes. 373. Now, would you agree with me that it's 14 0. 15 important to have originals in order to determine writing speed and pen pressure? 16 17 Pen pressure, definitely. Α. 18 374. 0. Definitely pen pressure. What about writing speed? 19 20 Α. Well, writing speed, yes, as long as there 21 is no hesitation of movement or clear signs...even a 22 photocopy, if it's a clear generation photocopy...it 23 really depends on the quality of the copy. Some machines can produce far better quality copies than 24

others. So that, again, is a variable. But

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generally, you would consider in pen pressure or
 1
               writing speed the movement, the fundamental
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 3
               movement, whether it's a feathering stroke, whether
 4
               it's a blunt stroke, whether there is slowness of
 5
               execution of movement, whether the signature is
               dynamic or not, it's moving forward.
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 7
       375.
               0.
                        You would need originals to do that?
                        Ideally suited, yes.
 8
               Α.
 9
       376.
                        Okay. And similarly with pen lifts, it
               Q.
               would be better to have originals to determine that?
10
                        Yes, definitely.
11
               Α.
12
       377.
                        Okay. And turning further to your page 5
               Q.
13
               at the top, you say that:
       "... The simulations may be skillful representations of the
14
                        model writing, or poor laboured
15
                        imitations..."
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17
       Do you see that?
18
               Α.
                        Yes.
       378.
                        Which is it? Is this letter of January 24
19
               0.
20
               a skillful representation of the model writing, or a
               poor laboured imitation?
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22
                         I would say it is relatively skillful,
               Α.
23
               except for where I am seeing the hesitation of
               movement and pen lifts and...but I consider pen
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25
               lifts after examining the original document,
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questioned document.
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       379.
                        So it's skillful, not a poor laboured
               Q.
 3
               imitation?
                        Skillful? I would say practised is
 4
               Α.
 5
               probably better than skillful.
       380.
 6
                        But not a poor laboured imitation?
               0.
 7
               Α.
                        No.
                        Okay. And earlier on, you say that the
 8
       381.
               0.
 9
               writing is...can I point it out to you? On page 4,
               can you look at that? The fifth paragraph:
10
       "... The questioned signature was found to exhibit
11
                         fundamental differences in movement and
12
13
                        writing speed. The questioned signature
14
                         appears to have been written more slowly.
15
                         Some hesitation of movement is evident,
16
                        whereas in the known signature specimens,
                        the speed of writing is dynamic ... "
17
18
       Do you see that?
                        Yes.
19
               Α.
20
       382.
               0.
                        Now, is it possible that an injury to a
               shoulder or arm could cause the signature to have
21
22
               been written more slowly, more hesitant?
23
                        Possible.
               Α.
24
       383.
                       Can we turn now, finally, to the report 9D?
               Q.
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That's the one on the letter February 18.

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 384. Q. We've touched on that a couple of times
- during this examination.
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 5 385. Q. But can we just clarify that this report is
- fundamentally different than the other two reports
- 7 because it is not examining the authenticity of the
- 8 document?
- 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 10 386. O. And that is because there was an initial
- 11 hypothesis, I think you said, that it was a relief
- 12 print?
- 13 A. That it was some form of print process.
- 14 The hypothesis was that it was closer to relief, as
- opposed to intaglio process, or a printer, if you
- will, like a mechanical printer, dot matrix, or
- laser, yes, sir.
- 18 387. Q. Okay. And who gave you that initial
- 19 hypothesis?
- 20 A. It was my conclusions based upon my
- 21 examinations under microscope.
- 22 388. Q. So you proposed the initial hypothesis...
- 23 A. Yes.
- 24 389. Q. ...that it was a relief print and not an
- original, if you will?

A. Well, the first hypothesis was that it was not written by hand. There was no pen pressure. There were no line striations. It appeared to be

sitting on top of the paper.

- 5 390. Do you have a copy of this document that 0. you examined for report 9D, the letter of February 6 7 18? Do you have a copy of that document? I've already asked for the original, obviously, and I 8 9 have been refused. So I am trying to find whatever I can, and I don't see a copy of the letter of 10 February 18, 2010, which was the subject of the 11 12 report at Exhibit 9D in your file.
- 13 A. I have a working copy of the last page
 14 here. The first page is not here...a copy of the
 15 last page.
- 16 391. Q. So you don't have a copy of the first page of the letter of February 18?
- 18 A. No.

- 19 392. Q. It's a bit unusual, isn't it, to not keep a
 20 copy of the document you actually examined in your
 21 file?
- 22 A. I made copies. The first page is not here.
- 23 393. Q. Sorry, you made?
- 24 A. I made copies, but the first page is not here.

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394.
                       You made a copy of the first page but it's
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 2
               not there?
 3
               Α.
                        It's not here.
                        I see. And did you examine the file before
 4
       395.
               Q.
 5
               vou came here?
                        I am pretty sure I did, sir, yes.
 6
               Α.
 7
       396.
               0.
                        Where is the first page?
 8
               Α.
                        I don't know.
 9
       397.MR. GRAY:
                       You don't know. And can you produce for
                        me a copy of the first page, Mr. Jiwa?
10
                     You don't have any other record in here?
11
       MR. JIWA:
12
       398.MR. GRAY: No...well, we have a copy of the document
13
                        that came somehow or another, but we don't
14
                        have a copy of the document that Mr.
15
                        Ospreay examined.
                     Okay. But you do have one...
16
       MR. JIWA:
17
       THE DEPONENT:
                      It is supposed to be here, but...
18
       399.MR. GRAY:
                     And would you agree with me that,
19
                        effectively...
20
       MR. JIWA:
                     So that is a copy of the letter dated ...
21
22
23
       400.
                       Well, the full letter is not in your
               Q.
               report, Exhibit 9D, is it not?
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No. I've got the images copied here, but I

25

Α.

	don't have the actual pages except for the second		
	page.		
401.MR.	GRAY: Let's go off the record for a second.		
	DISCUSSION OFF THE RECORD		
BY MR. GRAY:			
402.	Q. I am going to ask for you to produce the		
	original of the letter that you saw, which I take it		
	that your client is refusing to produce; is that		
	right?		
MR. JIWA: We will give you a copy. U/T			
403.MR.	GRAY: You will give me a copy of the original,		
	right?		
MR. JIW.	A: Well, I don't have the original, but I will do		
	a copy from the file.		
	:		
404.	Q. But would you agree with me that, what you		
	are essentially saying in your report 9D is that		
that letter of February 18 is a photocopy?			
	A. No, sir. I am saying it is not original		
	writing. It is probably a mechanical process that I		
	am not fully able to identify the		
405.	Q. What did the first page look like? Do you		
	402. MR. JIWA 403.MR. MR. JIWA 404.		

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remember?
 1
                        It was addressed to...well, the copies are
 2
               Α.
 3
               attached to the actual writing on it, and I am only
 4
               concentrating on the written portions, not the
 5
               actual letter itself...is the...I believe it
               was... "My Dear Spiritual Child" was written on it.
 6
       406.
 7
               Q.
                        But was it imprinted with a...
                        Yes, there was. There was a seal on it,
 8
 9
               and one page was of a different colour than the
10
               second page.
11
       407.
                      Okay. And what did the seal look like?
               Q.
12
                        I can probably identify it in...
               Α.
13
       MR. JIWA:
                     Do you want me to show him?
14
       408.MR. GRAY:
                     Not at the moment, no. I want to see if
15
                        he remembers.
                       I can't describe it. I can probably show
16
       THE DEPONENT:
17
                        you an example.
18
19
20
       409.
               Q.
                        Do you remember what colour it was?
21
               Α.
                        I want to say silver, but that's a guess,
22
               because I thought I saw one that was gold as well.
23
       410.
                        So you remember seeing something with a
               Q.
                     Would it have been like...
24
               seal?
25
               Α.
                        It wasn't a seal. It was, I believe, more
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of a... I am sorry, I can't describe what it 1 2 is...more of a... 3 411. Is it like this? I am showing you... Q. 4 Α. Yes, sir. Yes, sir. 5 412. This is a letter of January 24. 0. Yes, sir, like that. 6 Α. 7 413. It was like a crown on the top? Q. Yes, that I recall. 8 Α. 9 All right. But if the second page was a 414. Q. photocopy, this would be the same as your 10 conclusion, would it not be, whether the second page 11 was photocopied? 12 13 I am not saying it was a photocopy, sir. I Α. 14 am saying that I was...some form of print process, 15 the actual handwriting itself, as opposed to original handwriting. 16 17 415. Okay. When you say "some form of print Ο. 18 process", you mean it could be scanned from a computer, input into a... 19 20 Α. Not from my knowledge. There was no...any form of either dry ink or powdered ink from, say, a 21 22 standard photocopier or a dot matrix pattern or a 23 laser, it is usually very distinctive. This was a 24 process that was more like a relief...like a stamp

25

process.

I conducted several tests with different markers to see if it was due to the paper. So I used different types of markers to see whether I was seeing something that wasn't absorbing into the paper. The paper is not something I am accustomed to. It's a foreign paper. I did ask the client about that, and asked if I could have a specimen of it, or test it.

There was none available.

So there were issues in regards to the actual paper itself, and what the substrate was of either the ink that was used to place the writing and the signature on the paper. Microscopically, the most I could say that it was not absorbed into the paper. It was sitting on top of the paper.

I was seeing what I was considering some form of almost ink spatter, which is almost a bleeding or a movement of the ink, which is consistent with a stamp-type process. I was also seeing, and it's shown in the charts as well, where there are areas where there are gaps, full gaps, and almost plasticized on the top, that is consistent with a stamp, as opposed to...we would normally see pen pressure, troughs of pen pressure, lines striations, and you can normally identify the movement of a pen. There is where I questioned, again, to my client,

"Did the Aga Khan"...or, "Does the Aga Khan sign all 1 of his documents?" Again, a hypothesis on my part. 2 3 Reasonableness, in any case, would suggest that 4 someone as important as His Highness with many 5 documents signed probably would not sign or write all documents in person, that there could very well 6 7 be the probability of a stamp or a mechanical process used. When I discussed that openly with Mr. 8 9 Jiwa, he agreed that it was possible. 416. All right. So you think it might have been 10 Ο. a stamp, the signature? 11 12 Some form of stamp or mechanical process. Α. 13 I am not 100 percent sure. But you recognize that it has other 14 417. 15 writing, it has a sentence written there: "...This is not at all the course that I would wish to 16 follow..." 17 18 Do you remember that? That is correct. Yes, I have a copy of 19 Α. that, yes. 20 And do you think that that was a stamp, 21 418. Q. 22 that a stamp was made up of that sentence? 23 I am not saying stamp. I am saying some Α. form of, what I would consider relief process, or 24

mechanical process.

- 1 419. Q. Okay. Well, describe to me what you mean
- 2 by "some form of relief", because it is not a
- 3 photocopy, you have said that?
- A. I don't think it's a photocopy, no.
- 5 420. Q. It's not a digital dot matrix print from a computer, right?
- 7 A. That is correct.
- 8 421. Q. And I thought you said, correct me if I am
- 9 wrong, that you thought that the signature might be
- 10 a stamp?
- 11 A. No. It was consistent with a stamp
- 12 process. It was consistent with a relief...a relief
- process is where it is sitting and it is being
- 14 placed on the paper, as opposed to where it's above
- 15 the paper. So what I am saying is that, akin to a
- stamp, it's a relief process. I consider a relief
- 17 process. And which process actually was used, I
- 18 could not identify.
- 19 422. Q. And by "stamp", you mean it's something
- 20 whereby somebody had a pre-existing raised, I will
- say, negative, if you know what I mean, image, so
- that when inked, it would...when put down on the
- paper, it would lie on the surface of the paper; is
- that what you are saying?
- 25 A. That is correct.

423. So somebody made a...or it's possible, at 1 least, your assertion or your assumption is that 2 3 somebody made a process by which the signature was raised in a way that when inked, it was a negative, 4 5 so that when raised...when ink was placed on the paper, it produced a positive signature? 6 7 I could not identify it 100 percent. could also be an unknown to me, mechanical, 8 computerized process. And whatever print process 9 was used, I could not identify. 10 424. Right. So you are suggesting that the 11 0. 12 sentence, not just the signature, but the sentence 13 was done by this process? I am suggesting that, and as indicated in 14 15 the report, the actual signature and handwriting on the first and second page of that document was not 16 17 executed by a human hand. 18 425. Including the sentence? Q. That is correct. 19 Α. 20 426.MR. GRAY: And you won't produce this, Mr. Jiwa, for my expert to examine this? 21 2.2 MR. JIWA: No.

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24 _____:

25 427. Q. I suppose you were given this by Mr. Jiwa

1		or Mr. Ta	ajdin, right, the letter of February 18?	
2		Α.	Mr. Jiwa.	
3	428.	Q.	So you have no way of knowing in what form	
4		it was when it was originally written?		
5		Α.	No, sir.	
6	429.MR.	GRAY:	I am just going to take a few minutes.	
7				
8		A BRIEF	RECESS	
9				
10		,	resumed	
11			:	
12	430.MR.	GRAY:	Okay. Well, subject to the few questions	
13			I have asked for undertakings, or if you	
14			have a change of heart in respect of your	
15			refusals, I have no further questions.	

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