

Case No. SCSL-2003-01-T

THE PROSECUTOR OF THE SPECIAL COURT CHARLES GHANKAY TAYLOR

TUESDAY, 15 JULY 2008 9.30 A.M. TRI AL

TRIAL CHAMBER II

Justice Teresa Doherty, Presiding Justice Richard Lussick Before the Judges:

Justice Julia Sebutinde

Justice Al Hadji Malick Sow, Alternate

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For the accused Charles Ghankay Mr Courtenay Griffiths QC

Tayl or:

Mr Terry Munyard Mr Morris Anyah

	1	Tuesday, 15 July 2008
	2	[Open session]
	3	[The accused present]
	4	[Upon commencing at 9.30 a.m.]
09:29:29	5	PRESIDING JUDGE: Good morning. I notice some changes of
	6	appearance. Mr Bangura?
	7	MR BANGURA: Good morning Madam President, good morning
	8	your Honours and counsel opposite. Your Honours, representation
	9	for the Prosecution is the same as yesterday: Brenda J Hollis;
09:29:48	10	myself, Mohamed A Bangura; and Ms Maja Dimitrova. Thank you,
	11	your Honours.
	12	PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you, Mr Bangura. Mr Munyard?
	13	MR MUNYARD: Good morning your Honours, counsel opposite.
	14	The Defence today are represented by myself, Terry Munyard,
09:30:02	15	Morris Anyah and Scott Schaeffer. I am in a slightly different
	16	position today, Madam President, because the computer to my right
	17	is not fully functioning, it is only partially functioning this
	18	morning, and I hope that I don't have any problems with mixing up
	19	mi crophones and headphones today.
09:30:26	20	PRESIDING JUDGE: If there is a problem we will do what we
	21	can to help. If there are no other matters I will remind the
	22	witness of his oath? No.
	23	Mr Witness, good morning. I again remind you, as I have
	24	done on other mornings, that you have taken the oath to tell the
09:30:42	25	truth, that oath is still binding on you and you must answer
	26	questions truthfully. Do you understand?
	27	THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am.
	28	WITNESS: TF1-388 [On former oath]
	29	PRESIDING JUDGE: Very good. Please proceed, Mr Munyard.

- 1 MR MUNYARD: Thank you, Madam President.
- 2 CROSS-EXAMINATION BY MR MUNYARD: [Continued]
- 3 Q. Mr Jaward, we broke off yesterday when you were saying that
- 4 you were shown 50 US dollars by the Prosecutors and on the first
- 09:31:10 5 occasion they showed you that money you turned it down. Do you
  - 6 remember saying that?
  - 7 A. Yes, sir.
  - 8 Q. Was that true?
  - 9 A. Yes, sir.
- 09:31:23 10 Q. You were offered 50 dollars because you have had to leave
  - 11 your taxi outside the location where you are interviewed and you
  - 12 say to the Prosecutors, "Oh, no. Don't bother, thanks. I am
  - doing this for the sake of ...", whatever it may be, world peace
  - 14 whatever. Is that an honest answer that you gave?
- 09:31:43 15 A. Yes, sir.
  - 16 Q. Well you changed your mind by the following day, didn't
  - 17 you, on your account?
  - 18 A. Yes, sir.
  - 19 Q. You were interviewed on one occasion in February of 2006,
- 09:32:01 20 the first time you saw the Prosecution, weren't you?
  - 21 A. I cannot remember the exact date, sir.
  - 22 Q. I wasn't putting the date to you. I was asking if you were
  - 23 interviewed on only one occasion in February 2006. That is
  - 24 correct, isn't it?
- 09:32:29 25 A. I cannot remember the date that you are referring to,
  - 26 really.
  - 27 Q. The first time you were interviewed by the Prosecution was
  - 28 following telephone contact between you and somebody in the
  - 29 Prosecution. Is that correct?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. And you go and see them in a hotel in Monrovia. Is that
- 3 correct?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 09:32:56 5 Q. They interview you and they write notes of what you are
  - 6 telling them. Is that correct?
  - 7 A. Yes, sir.
  - 8 Q. And it is that day that you are telling us that they
  - 9 offered you they showed you 50 US dollars and you said, "No,
- 09:33:14 10 thanks. I don't want it." Is that correct?
  - 11 A. Yes, sir.
  - 12 Q. But the next day you go along and say to them, "Actually,
  - 13 I have changed my mind. I will have the money, thanks." Is that
  - 14 correct?
- 09:33:28 15 A. Yes, sir.
  - 16 Q. And so when you got the money did you sign a receipt?
  - 17 A. Yes, sir.
  - 18 Q. And that will be dated the day after you were interviewed
  - 19 by them, correct?
- 09:33:51 20 A. Yes, sir.
  - 21 Q. What were your what was your occupation at the time?
  - 22 A. Well, at this time I was driving my private taxi and at the
  - 23 same time going to school.
  - 24 Q. This is two and a half years ago at the beginning of 2006.
- 09:34:26 25 What is your current occupation?
  - 26 A. Presently I am a student.
  - 27 Q. So are you earning any money apart from your by doing
  - work other than your studies?
  - 29 A. Well at present I am not doing any other work to earn any

- 1 other money, except what the WVS is helping me and my family with
- 2 because of the time that we have taken under their care.
- 3 Q. So your current earnings come entirely from this Court,
- 4 yes?
- - 6 Q. And how long has that been the situation? We saw yesterday
  - 7 that you started receiving money from the Prosecution sorry,
  - 8 from the Court in April of 2007. Have you been earning any money
  - 9 from any other source since the WVS started paying you in April
- 09:35:46 10 2007?
  - 11 A. No, sir.
  - 12 Q. So since 2 April 2007 up to and I only have figures up to
  - 13 25 June this year the 32,685,000 Sierra Leone Leones spent on
  - 14 you and your family by WVS has been your entire source of income,
- 09:36:29 **15** yes?
  - 16 A. Yes, sir.
  - 17 Q. And you have provided for your family in terms of
  - 18 accommodation, food and clothing from that money, is that right?
  - 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 09:36:42 20 Q. And provided for yourself in terms of accommodation, food,
  - 21 clothing, et cetera from that money?
  - 22 A. Yes, sir.
  - 23 Q. And the clothes you are now wearing, the suit and shirt and
  - 24 tie and shoes, they have all been bought from that money, have
- 09:37:03 **25** they?
  - 26 A. At present the suit I am wearing had been with me since
  - 27 I was before I even got in contact with the Special Court, sir.
  - 28 Q. Is that right?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir. I think even the other suit I wore last week was

- 1 my graduation suit from my computer institution that I was
- 2 attending, sir.
- 3 Q. And when did you attend the computer institution?
- 4 A. Please, sir, when I said I was driving my taxi and at the
- 09:37:46 5 same time attending school this was the computer institution
  - 6 I was attending at that time in Monrovia, sir.
  - 7 Q. Right. Now, you were first interviewed by the Prosecution
  - 8 on 24 February 2006. We know that from interview notes that we
  - 9 have been provided by the Prosecution and on that occasion also
- 09:38:26 10 handwritten as well as typed notes. I don't suppose you would
  - 11 disagree with that date, would you, Mr Jaward, even if you can't
  - 12 remember it?
  - 13 A. Well I cannot remember the date, but I am not I do not
  - 14 think they would tell lies or make false document in that area.
- 09:38:54 15 Q. The date of the receipt that you signed for your first
  - 16 batch of 50 US dollars is the same date, 24 February 2006, and so
  - 17 you took that money from them on the day of your first interview,
  - 18 di dn' t you?
  - 19 A. As I told you earlier, I met them for the first time.
- 09:39:31 20 Whether they took any official note to be kept really I am not
  - 21 aware of that, but I only received money from them on the second
  - 22 day that I met them when I spent a very long time with them for
  - 23 interviews.
  - 24 Q. You told me a little earlier this morning that the first
- 09:39:48 25 contact by you with them was by telephone and the next time you
  - saw them you were interviewed by them.
  - 27 A. This is what I am saying. I met them in the Great Wall
  - 28 Hotel and when I met them there we had discussions. I did not
  - 29 know whether there was a written document to be kept on that day,

- 1 but I did not receive the money they gave to me on that
- 2 particular day.
- 3 Q. I also asked you, "The first time you were interviewed by
- 4 the Prosecution following the telephone contact between you and
- 09:40:26 5 them you were interviewed and they wrote notes of what you were
  - 6 telling them?", and you replied, "Yes, sir." Do you remember
  - 7 saying that?
  - 8 A. Yes, sir.
  - 9 Q. So that is the first time you see them, when they interview
- 09:40:46 10 you and write notes of that interview, do you agree?
  - 11 A. I am still making you to understand that when I met them if
  - 12 they had any written document to be kept for this case at that
  - 13 time I do not deny that, but the facts here is the first day that
  - 14 I met them I never received any money from them. They showed me
- 09:41:15 15 50 US dollars, but I rejected it for that first day, sir.
  - 16 Q. The Great Wall Hotel, is that in Monrovia?
  - 17 A. Yes, sir.
  - 18 Q. The second time you met them, did you meet them in the same
  - 19 pl ace?
- 09:41:39 20 A. No, sir. I met with them in a different area, sir.
  - 21 Q. Let's just clear up this. The first time they interviewed
  - 22 you and took notes of the interview, was that in the Great Wall
  - 23 Hotel?
  - 24 A. Yes, the first time that I met them in the Great Wall
- 09:42:04 **25** Hotel.
  - 26 Q. Yes, this is the first time you meet them and they take
  - 27 notes of interview. That is what you told us earlier, that the
  - 28 first time they met you they took notes of your interview. That
  - 29 was in the Great Wall, you say. What part of Monrovia is the

- 1 Great Wall Hotel?
- 2 A. The Great Wall Hotel is located between 11th and 10th
- 3 street in Sinkor, Monrovia.
- 4 Q. Is it different from the Urban Chateau Hotel?
- 09:42:47 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. How far is it from the Urban Chateau Hotel?
  - 7 A. Approximately 100 metres from the Great Wall, sir.
  - 8 Q. So these two hotels are very close by. Are they both in
  - 9 Sinkor?
- 09:43:16 10 A. Yes, sir. These two hotels are found in Sinkor, sir.
  - 11 Q. Did you ever meet the Prosecution in the Urban Chateau
  - 12 Hotel?
  - 13 A. Yes, sir, I met them there before.
  - 14 Q. And when was that in relation to your meeting with them at
- 09:43:36 15 the Great Wall Hotel?
  - 16 A. After our first contact, you know, I used to, you know,
  - 17 have contact with them. I cannot remember the time or date, but
  - 18 the Great Wall Hotel I mean and the Urban Chateau Hotel
  - 19 I remember I met them there before after we had met at the Great
- 09:44:06 20 Wall.
  - 21 Q. But it is the Great Wall where they first interview you and
  - 22 first take notes of that interview, yes?
  - 23 A. As I told you, I met them in the Great Wall. Whether the
  - 24 interview because it was like an introduction to what I wanted
- 09:44:25 25 to have with them. Whether they took a very good record of that
  - 26 to be kept for this purpose I cannot really remember, but that
  - 27 was the first day I met them, sir.
  - 28 Q. And that was the day when they offer you 50 dollars and you
  - 29 turn it down, but you go back and accept it the next day, yes?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. And when you go back and accept the money the next day you
- 3 are not interviewed again that day, are you? On your account you
- 4 just go for the money the next day, don't you?
- 09:45:00 5 A. No, sir. When I went there the next day, you know, I had -
  - 6 I spent a long time with them. From there they gave the 50
  - 7 dollars to me and I told them that, "Yesterday I refused this
  - 8 money because I didn't want you people to feel that it was for
  - 9 money business that I really came to you to share my experience",
- 09:45:28 10 but they said since I was a taxi driver and I had parked my taxi
  - 11 it was their duty to refund whatsoever, you know, lost wages as
  - 12 they put it at that time, for the time I had spent with them, so
  - 13 they said it was not anything like they were trying to bribe me
  - or to influence me with money. I said, "Well, if that is the
- 09:45:56 15 case I don't have problem with it", and then I received the
  - 16 money.
  - 17 Q. What they actually said to you, "We are not trying to bribe
  - 18 you or influence you by handing out this 50 United States dollars
  - 19 to you", did they?
- 09:46:13 20 A. Yes, sir.
  - 21 Q. So did it appear to you that they thought that you might
  - 22 think you were being bribed or influenced by this money?
  - 23 A. Exactly, sir.
  - 24 Q. Because it was rather a lot of money to park your taxi for
- 09:46:39 25 two or three hours, wasn't it?
  - 26 A. Well, from my experience again in my taxi driving sometimes
  - 27 it could be plenty money, sometimes it could be small money from
  - 28 what I experienced in my taxi, because there are some days I will
  - 29 have some contact such as business and I will make money more

- 1 than what we are referring to here, 50 dollars, and there are
- 2 some days I cannot even have half of that and so I cannot say it
- 3 was plenty money for parking my taxi to have discussion with
- 4 them, sir.
- 09:47:14 5 Q. When was it before that day when they gave you 50 dollars
  - 6 that you last earned 50 United States dollars in the course of
  - 7 three hours taxi driving in Monrovia in 2006, or 2005?
  - 8 A. Well, my contact, you know, during my taxi business, it
  - 9 does not mean that somebody has to hire my car for 50 dollars US
- 09:47:45 10 just for three hours. But there were sometimes certain hires
  - 11 whereby your car is hired for that particular hour. Sometimes
  - 12 your car is parked, it cannot be for those particular hours.
  - 13 Maybe the contact may take two or three days or even a week, so
  - 14 that when you check the money that you had agreed on with the
- 09:48:06 15 business partner it may be more than even the 50 dollars that you
  - 16 will be paid, more than within that particular time that you
  - 17 would have spent with that business partner, sir.
  - 18 Q. Mr Jaward, did you think that they thought you would be
  - 19 influenced by the money they were offering you?
- 09:48:29 20 A. First of all on the first day that was what I was thinking,
  - 21 but after they had made their side clear that this money was not
  - 22 to influence me but that it was their responsibility as somebody
  - 23 doing business for them to really assist me for the time I had
  - 24 spent with them.
- 09:48:56 25 Q. So when you went back the next day and you saw them again
  - 26 and took the money, where was that? Was that back at the Great
  - 27 Wall?
  - 28 A. As I told you earlier, really the meeting with these
  - 29 investigators Let me say WVS at that time, I cannot remember

- 1 the various points I used to meet them. There were these two
- 2 areas you've mentioned, I met them at other areas before I left
- 3 to Monrovia. So really I want to make that clear to you, that it
- 4 was not only the Great Wall and this hotel, Urban Chateau Hotel
- 09:49:49 5 that we met.
  - 6 Q. Leave the WVS out of it. You don't come into their money
  - 7 until April of last year. We are talking February 2006 now. You
  - 8 claim to have a very clear recollection of events going back to
  - 9 1991 in the course of your evidence-in-chief over the period of a
- 09:50:11 10 whole week. I am asking you now to try and remember events only
  - 11 two and a half years ago.
  - Now, the first time you saw them you say you remember it
  - 13 was at the Great Wall, you remember being offered money, you
  - 14 remember turning it down and the next day you went and accepted
- 09:50:30 15 it. Where did you go and accept the money?
  - 16 A. Let me just make this area clear to you again. Before we
  - 17 even met at the Urban Chateau Hotel --
  - 18 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, can you remember where you
  - 19 met on this second day?
- 09:50:57 20 MR MUNYARD: Where you took the money.
  - 21 PRESIDING JUDGE: On the occasion you took the 50 dollars.
  - 22 THE WITNESS: Yes, this is the area I am trying to
  - 23 describe. It's a hotel, but I cannot remember the name now. The
  - 24 hotel is also behind the Great Wall, but between the same 11th
- 09:51:20 25 and 10th Street in Sinkor.
  - 26 MR MUNYARD:
  - 27 Q. So you do remember it? You remember its location. If it's
  - 28 not the Great Wall and it's not the Urban Chateau can you
  - 29 remember its name?

- 1 A. No, sir, I cannot remember the name of the hotel at
- 2 present.
- 3 Q. You still live in Monrovia, don't you?
- 4 A. Yes, sir.
- 09:51:47 5 Q. And you were working as a taxi driver until when? We know
  - 6 that by April of 2007 you had stopped because you were being paid
  - 7 by the WVS. When was it that you stopped being a taxi driver?
  - 8 A. I only stopped when I came to Sierra Leone, sir.
  - 9 Q. But did you come to Sierra Leone full-time, or did you just
- 09:52:23 10 come for visits to see the Prosecution and the WVS for your
  - 11 money?
  - 12 A. I did not go to WVS for money as I told you earlier. Since
  - 13 I pledged how can I say it now that obligation that I had to
  - 14 really pursue how can I say it the mission that I carried,
- 09:52:55 15 especially the case that I knew they were really trying the
  - 16 case that they explained about Charles Taylor's involvement in
  - 17 Sierra Leone war --
  - 18 Q. Mr Jaward, I am going to stop you there and take you back
  - 19 to the question I asked you. Did you come to Sierra Leone
- 09:53:12 20 full-time or just for visits to see the Prosecution and the WVS;
  - 21 yes or no?
  - 22 A. Well, I first came to Sierra Leone to see Freetown where
  - 23 they said it would look safer for me to come there, so that
  - 24 I will be working with them easily and I will be more protected,
- 09:53:38 25 you know, once I was dealing with them at that time, but I told
  - them that I had not been to Freetown for a long time and that
  - 27 I have to come and see to build confidence in the security for
  - 28 myself. That was before I brought my family. So I came and
  - 29 I went back.

- 1 Q. So you didn't come to Sierra Leone full-time?
- 2 A. Come back, sir.
- 3 Q. You didn't go to Sierra Leone full-time, you just went on
- 4 visits?
- 09:54:09 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. Right, last question about hotels in Monrovia.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: That probably meant "no, sir", I imagine.
  - 8 You know how the English Language is. He probably means "no,
  - 9 sir". Mr Witness, you are agreeing with counsel, isn't it, in
- 09:54:32 10 that last question?
  - 11 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. What I understood from him was
  - 12 whether I came to visit and went back and I said yes, sir.
  - MR MUNYARD: Right, the "no" in that case meant he is
  - 14 agreeing with me. Thank you:
- 09:54:48 15 Q. This hotel the Urban Chateau I will come back to it if
  - 16 there's doubt. This hotel the Urban Chateau, is it still called
  - 17 the Urban Chateau or does it have a different name now?
  - 18 A. I don't know whether they have changed the name now because
  - 19 I have left there for over a year now.
- 09:55:17 20 Q. You told us earlier when I asked you the question, "Do you
  - 21 live in Monrovia?", you said yes?
  - 22 A. I lived in Monrovia before I went to Freetown. This was
  - 23 what I said. Not that I left from Monrovia and came here
  - 24 straight.
- 09:55:37 25 Q. Let's clear this up. When I asked you this morning and
  - 26 indeed yesterday, "Do you live in Monrovia?", you said yes, but
  - 27 Let us explore. When you say you came to Freetown to see the
  - 28 Prosecution, did you eventually come to live in Sierra Leone?
  - 29 This is after February of 2006.

- 1 A. I only went to Freetown I mean Sierra Leone to stay there
- 2 in 2007. In 2006 I never went to Sierra Leone.
- 3 Q. Right. So you were living in Monrovia in 2006. In 2007
- 4 did you and your family come to live full-time in Sierra Leone?
- 09:56:25 5 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Munyard, I think you are still on the
  - 6 wrong channel because you keep overlapping with the interpreters.
  - 7 You are not captured on the record.
  - 8 MR MUNYARD: Your Honour, I think what happened was that
  - 9 when my cable dislodged a moment ago it went from channel 1 to
- 09:56:45 10 channel zero. I hadn't noticed when I plugged it back in. I am
  - 11 now on channel 1. Well, I am not hearing anything from the
  - 12 interpreters.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: It's because you are speaking in English
  - 14 that you wouldn't hear them interpret. When the witness speaks
- 09:57:06 15 then you will hear the interpreters.
  - 16 MR MUNYARD: Yes:
  - 17 Q. 2007 did you come with your family to live full-time in
  - 18 Si erra Leone?
  - 19 A. Not to live full-time really, but I went purposefully for
- 09:57:26 20 me to come for this case.
  - 21 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, I am not sure if your family
  - 22 came as well. That was part of the question.
  - 23 THE WITNESS: I first came, you know I first came in
  - 24 early 2007 and went back within the next two weeks. Then
- 09:57:51 25 I finally came with my family.
  - 26 MR MUNYARD: Thank you, your Honours, that clears up a
  - 27 confusion that was started earlier by him saying that he lived in
  - 28 Monrovi a:
  - 29 Q. When the Prosecution interviewed you did you see them

- 1 writing down what you said?
- 2 A. Where, sir, please?
- 3 Q. Are you asking where you were interviewed or where they
- 4 wrote down what you were telling them?
- 09:58:30 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. Which one of those two are you asking the question where
  - 7 about?
  - 8 A. I heard you asking a question about coming to Freetown and
  - 9 you asked about when the Prosecution was interviewing you whether
- 09:58:52 10 they took notes. I am asking you whether it was the time that
  - 11 I came to Freetown.
  - 12 Q. Yes.
  - 13 A. Yes, sir. When I came down to Freetown I had an interview
  - 14 with them at the Special Court, sir, and they wrote down what
- 09:59:14 15 I was telling them, sir.
  - 16 Q. Before you come to Freetown we know you are interviewed in
  - 17 several hotels in Sinkor in Monrovia, yes?
  - 18 A. Yes, sir.
  - 19 Q. When you were interviewed in those hotels did the
- 09:59:29 20 Prosecution write down what you were telling them?
  - 21 A. Well, really to make things clear to you, the area I used
  - 22 to take interviews with them was at one office, the UNMIL -
  - 23 I think the special representative of the United Nations at that
  - 24 time in Monrovia. They called them Jacques Klein, something like
- 10:00:00 25 that, that earlier came to Monrovia. It was at his office area
  - where I used to have interviews with them when statements used to
  - 27 be taken, sir. But this area, the hotel that I am talking about
  - 28 were like contact points.
  - 29 Q. When you are interviewed in February of 2006 and you get

- 1 the first amount of money, was that in a hotel, or was that in
- this man Jacques Klein's office?
- 3 A. No, sir, the first interview was in that Great Wall, the
- 4 first and the second day that I went to them it was at that Great
- 10:00:48 5 Wall.
  - 6 Q. Thank you. So we now know that the second day you went
  - 7 when you get the money is also at the Great Wall, yes?
  - 8 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, just on the question of
  - 9 spellings, I think it has been the practice for counsel to
- 10:01:02 10 assistant with spellings of names that come up. We have the name
  - 11 Jacques Klein and I don't think what has come up reflects the
  - name or the pronunciation we had from the witness.
  - MR MUNYARD: I have no idea who Jacques Klein is or how he
  - 14 spells his name.
- 10:01:23 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: He was the under secretary special
  - 16 representative and it's J-A-C-Q-U-E-S K-L-E-I-N.
  - 17 MR MUNYARD: I am grateful to Madam President. I don't
  - 18 know how he spells his name.
  - 19 Q. Back to the story please, Mr Jaward. You have just told us
- 10:01:46 20 that the first interview was at the Great Wall and the second day
  - 21 was at the Great Wall, yes?
  - 22 A. Really to clear matters really, the sequence in these
  - 23 meeting, as I told you, this Great Wall I am referring to,
  - 24 I think the next day when I came I can remember behind the Great
- 10:02:17 25 Wall there was another hotel, but it was between the same 10th
  - 26 and 11th Street. I could remember the first contact when I met
  - 27 them we used these two areas, but my first appearance was at the
  - 28 Great Wall. I can remember the second one was at this other
  - 29 hotel which I said I have forgotten its name, but it was between

- 1 the same 11th and 10th Street, sir, in Sinkor.
- 2 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Witness, do slow down in your answers
- 3 to give the interpreters and transcribers a chance to properly do
- 4 their work. Pause between sentences, please.
- 10:02:54 5 MR MUNYARD:
  - 6 Q. Did they take notes of what you were telling them either at
  - 7 the Great Wall, or this other hotel?
  - 8 A. This is what I am saying. I was talking with them, but
  - 9 whether they said what you are saying as I am talking I know
- 10:03:16 10 people were taking notes because, you know, I had --
  - 11 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can he kindly repeat his
  - 12 answer.
  - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, you are going too quickly for
  - 14 the interpreters. Please pick up your answer where you said,
- 10:03:33 15 "I know people were taking notes because, you know ..." in
  - 16 fact, I think you have answered counsel's question. Mr Munyard,
  - is your current question answered?
  - 18 MR MUNYARD: Thank you, your Honour:
  - 19 Q. Were they taking notes by hand, or were they typing them
- 10:03:55 20 into a computer?
  - 21 A. They had a laptop computer in front of them and I think one
  - 22 Sierra Leonean they identified also had a book, writing.
  - 23 Q. And at the end of the interview did they read back their
  - 24 notes of what you had been telling them?
- 10:04:31 25 A. On that first day I cannot remember, sir.
  - 26 Q. Did they take notes at all of your interviews?
  - 27 A. I cannot remember as far as that first meeting was
  - 28 concerned. For the rest of the time that they used to come, we
  - 29 used to go to this office I was describing between the Nigerian

- 1 and German embassies. Really it was like a complete interview,
- 2 or statement taken. After that they used to read what I had told
- 3 them, but for that first day really I cannot remember that -
- 4 I cannot remember that that type of format was taken, sir.
- 10:05:30 5 Q. All right, but after the first interview on the next
  - 6 occasion when you were interviewed by them was it the same, or
  - 7 was it different interviewers? Can you now remember?
  - 8 A. I said I really came to focus on what exactly they were
  - 9 taking a complete statement from me when we started going to the
- 10:06:06 10 office I have just described here.
  - 11 Q. Yes, I will ask the question again and kindly listen to it
  - 12 and see if you can answer it. On the second occasion they
  - interviewed you, were any of the same people there interviewing
  - 14 you who had been present on the first occasion?
- 10:06:33 15 A. Yes, sir, I can remember the same people I met on the first
  - 16 day I had an appointment with them to meet with them on the
  - 17 second day, the next day. I think these were the people I met at
  - 18 that area that I was describing after the Great Wall.
  - 19 Q. And what about the third time you were interviewed? Are
- 10:06:55 20 any of the same people involved in your third interview?
  - 21 A. I cannot remember, sir, because when I had this contact
  - 22 with them I used to meet different people since that time up to
  - 23 the time that I came to Sierra Leone here to I mean, to Sierra
  - 24 Leone.
- 10:07:20 25 Q. Putting aside the first interview when you can't remember
  - 26 whether they read it back to you, was it their practice after
  - 27 that always to read back the interview notes to you so that you
  - 28 could confirm that they had correctly recorded what you had told
  - 29 them?

- 1 A. Yes, I can remember, you know, this continued later on in
- 2 those interviews I used to have with them.
- 3 Q. And did you correct things that they had written down that
- 4 they had either wrongly recorded, or that you had not made clear
- 10:07:55 5 enough in any of the interviews?
  - 6 A. Yes, sir, most of the time I used to most of the times
  - 7 that I used to come in contact with them the previous time --
  - 8 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can he repeat.
  - 9 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, again you have gone a little
- 10:08:16 10 too quickly for the interpreter. Please repeat your answer
  - 11 picking up where you said, "I used to come in contact with them
  - 12 the previous time".
  - 13 THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am. As I said, I used to meet them.
  - 14 As time went on really I used to meet them and, whenever I came
- 10:08:40 15 in contact with them, I used to meet them for a fresh interview.
  - 16 I don't know how to put that. They always had to read the first
  - 17 I mean the previous statement to me to confirm whether it was
  - 18 what I said before we continued a new one, or to do corrections.
  - 19 MR MUNYARD:
- 10:09:03 20 Q. But at the end of each occasion when they interviewed you,
  - 21 did they read back all their notes that they had taken during
  - 22 that particular session to confirm that they had got down what
  - you were telling them correctly?
  - 24 A. Yes, it used to happen, sir.
- 10:09:27 25 Q. And did you correct them from time to time if you
  - 26 discovered they had made errors?
  - 27 A. Yes, sir.
  - 28 Q. And did you point out occasions when they had forgotten to
  - 29 write down something that you had told them that they hadn't

- 1 included it in their written notes?
- 2 A. Please come back with that question, sir.
- 3 Q. As well as correcting them, did you also ever point out
- 4 things that they had forgotten to write down that you had told
- 10:10:00 5 them when they came to read back the notes to you?
  - 6 A. Yes, sir. Sometimes when we met the next time I used to
  - 7 tell them that I forgot really to add this important issue on
  - 8 this particular interview on the previous interview, you know,
  - 9 but it escaped my mind like people's names and other things.
- 10:10:31 10 Q. Mr Jaward, it must be me. The question I asked you wasn't
  - 11 about what you had forgotten. Let me try again. As well as
  - 12 correcting the notes that the interviewers read back to you, did
  - 13 you ever have occasion to point out to them that they had failed
  - 14 to record in the notes they had written down something you had
- 10:10:53 15 told them during the course of that session? In other words, did
  - 16 you tell them things occasionally and when they read the notes
  - 17 back they had not included them in and so you had to point out,
  - 18 "You have forgotten I told you this bit"?
  - 19 A. No, sir.
- 10:11:17 20 Q. And finally on this question of what went on in these
  - 21 interviews, you have talked about a statement being taken from
  - 22 you. You never actually have given a statement to them, have
  - 23 you, in which you have signed a declaration of truth and signed
  - any pages of the statement?
- 10:11:43 25 A. I do not understand that question clearly, sir.
  - 26 Q. There is a difference between an interview where somebody
  - 27 takes notes of what you said and a statement where they write out
  - 28 what you tell them and you then sign the statement declaring that
  - 29 it is true to the best of your knowledge and belief and usually

- 1 signing each page of the statement. You never, ever went through
- 2 that standardised procedure, did you, signing anything?
- 3 A. When I talk about a statement in this case, it was a sort
- 4 of an interview that was conducted like what was happening here
- 10:12:33 5 since last week, you know? After the first after we first met
  - 6 they asked what I knew about this topic, or this issue, so I had
  - 7 to explain to them what I knew at my own level. So this was how
  - 8 they were dealing with me, sir.
  - 9 Q. You have never signed any document setting out your account
- 10:12:58 10 of events, have you?
  - 11 A. No, sir. I don't remember signing a statement, sir.
  - 12 Q. That is what I mean by a statement, that's all. Now, apart
  - 13 from the first occasion when you turned down the money, were you
  - 14 given money every time you saw the Prosecution?
- 10:13:41 15 A. Like all the times that I was in Monrovia that we used to
  - 16 meet in this office I described earlier, you know, after we meet
  - 17 every day, as they told me before that this was a sort of lost
  - 18 wages, they used to give me 50 dollars after you know, after
  - 19 the interview with them, sir.
- 10:14:07 20 Q. Right. Now, we know that you were given 50 dollars on 24
  - 21 February 2006. We also know that you were interviewed in July
  - 22 2006, on 11 July. Do you remember being interviewed in the
  - 23 middle of 2006?
  - 24 A. As I told you, I cannot remember the date.
- 10:14:43 25 Q. No, I am not asking about a date. I am asking about a
  - 26 period of time, the middle of 2006. Can you remember being
  - interviewed then?
  - 28 A. This is what I am saying, really. I don't want to agree on
  - 29 a time. Maybe you are talking of a different time on a document,

- 1 but from after that first contact that I mentioned here, you
- 2 know, I was in continuous contact with them, you know, until
- 3 I left Liberia to go to Sierra Leone in 2007.
- 4 Q. I suggest that that was at the Great Wall again. Can you
- 10:15:22 5 remember being interviewed a second time at the Great Wall over a
  - 6 period of some three and a half hours?
  - 7 A. As I told you really, that first time for me to come in
  - 8 contact with them, you know, I think the second time that I met
  - 9 them I can remember it was not directly in that Great Wall on the
- 10:15:55 10 main road of Sinkor that I am referring to at that time really.
  - 11 I met them after the Great Wall, the other hotel after the Great
  - 12 Wall, but within the same 10th and 11th street.
  - 13 Q. Let's deal with that quickly, if we can. If you were
  - 14 interviewed by them over a period of two and a half hours in the
- 10:16:15 15 middle of the day sorry, three and a half hours in the middle
  - of the day, you would expect them to have paid you for your loss
  - 17 of taxi earnings, wouldn't you?
  - 18 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honour, can Learned counsel kindly
  - 19 repeat the question.
- 10:16:31 20 MR MUNYARD:
  - 21 Q. If you had spent three and a half hours being interviewed
  - 22 by the Prosecution you would expect them to pay you for your lost
  - 23 taxi earnings, wouldn't you?
  - 24 A. Please, sir, as I told you earlier this money that was
- 10:16:52 25 given to me was not like I was doing business with them to
  - 26 compare what I am losing and what I am gaining from them. Ever
  - 27 if it was given less than that I would have accepted it, sir.
  - 28 Q. Was there any occasion on which you were interviewed by
  - 29 them over a period of hours when they didn't compensate you for

- 1 your lost earnings, yes or no?
- 2 A. No, sir.
- 3 Q. We have a copy of records from the Prosecution that you
- 4 were paid 50 US dollars on 24 February, but there is no record of
- 10:17:38 5 you being paid anything for your interview on 11 --
  - THE INTERPRETER: Your Honour, can counsel kindly come back
  - 7 with the question, please.
  - 8 PRESIDING JUDGE: I think you need to be closer to the
  - 9 microphone, Mr Munyard.
- 10:17:54 10 MR MUNYARD:
  - 11 Q. We have a record that shows you were paid 50 dollars on 24
  - 12 February and the next payment is on 10 November 2006, but you
  - 13 were interviewed by them for three and a half hours on 11 July
  - 14 2006 and there is no record of you having been paid anything for
- 10:18:19 15 | lost wages, transport or anything else on that occasion. Can you
  - 16 remember being interviewed by them for about three and a half
  - 17 years in the rainy season in the Great Wall Hotel in 2006?
  - 18 A. No, sir, I cannot remember the date, sir.
  - 19 Q. Right. 10 November bear with me for just a moment.
- 10:19:07 20 Sorry, yes, 10 November 2006, which is a Friday, can you remember
  - 21 being paid 100 United States dollars by them? I don't expect you
  - 22 to remember the specific date, but at end of 2006 can you
  - 23 remember receiving Let me try and help you. On two consecutive
  - 24 days, first 100 United States dollars and then 50 United States
- 10:19:47 25 dollars the very next day. Can you remember that?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir, I can remember at one time when this Prosecution
  - 27 group went to meet me I was seriously sick and they assisted me
  - 28 with money. That was the day I received 100 US dollars from them
  - 29 for me to treat myself. I can remember receiving money more than

- 1 50 US dollars at that time.
- 2 Q. No, Mr Jaward, you received 144 US dollars for medical
- 3 treatment on Tuesday 20 February 2007. I am talking about
- 4 November 2006 where there's no mention of any medical problem or
- 10:20:37 5 medical treatment. Do you remember receiving 150 US dollars in
  - 6 the space of two days?
  - 7 A. Yes, I can remember they were giving me these monies, sir.
  - 8 Q. Then on 1 December 2006 and 2 December 2006, 50 dollars for
  - 9 each of those days. Do you remember getting 100 dollars at the
- 10:21:22 10 beginning of December and being interviewed on those two days, 1
  - 11 and 2 December in Monrovia?
  - 12 A. As I told you, really I cannot remember all these dates but
  - 13 all the contact that I used to have with them from that time they
  - 14 used to give me money and it was not always 50 US dollars.
- 10:21:50 15 Sometimes they used to give me monies for things like things
  - 16 which I mentioned just now for even my sickness at that time, but
  - 17 I cannot remember the dates that you are mentioning to be
  - 18 specific to really give account of a particular amount or a
  - 19 particular time, no. But I agree with you that, you know, all
- 10:22:12 20 the times that I used to come into contact with them they used to
  - 21 give me money.
  - 22 Q. We will come on to your sickness. We are nowhere near the
  - 23 time that you were sick at the moment, Mr Jaward. You were
  - interviewed on 1 and 2 December and, as I've indicated, you
- 10:22:27 25 received 50 dollars each day for transport/lost wages in
  - 26 Monrovia. That's where you were interviewed. What were your
  - 27 transport costs in December 2006 to get to an interview with the
  - 28 Prosecution if you were also paid for your lost earnings as a
  - 29 taxi driver? How did it cost you transport money?

- 1 A. I told you earlier that this was not like an agreement
- 2 whereby when they called me I had to charge them for them to pay
- 3 me, but then this was what they offered me and it was not like a
- 4 business signed between them and me. So as a poor taxi driver
- 10:23:24 5 when they offer me, I had to accept it. It was not like a
  - 6 business between them and myself. What I was going to do, it was
  - 7 not like they were going to pay me back for it.
  - 8 Q. You say now that you are a poor taxi driver. Earlier this
  - 9 morning you were telling me there were occasions when you earned
- 10:23:43 10 rather more than 50 United States dollars a day. Are you now
  - 11 agreeing that you were a poor taxi driver and that you were doing
  - 12 rather well on these occasions when they gave you 50 dollars for
  - 13 a few hours parking your taxi outside the Great Wall or other
  - 14 hotels?
- 10:24:04 15 A. Yes, sir, you know, refusing money does not mean you have
  - 16 enough money, you know. There are certain respects or maybe
  - 17 certain credits that I may want to get from a certain issue, no
  - 18 matter how attractive it is, I had to refuse it. This is how,
  - 19 you know, I am looking at it. It was not that I had enough money
- 10:24:26 20 so I decided to reject their money. But the record there ended.
  - 21 If I had just come and started taking money from them that was
  - 22 what I was trying to make them understand at that time, that my
  - 23 coming to them was not only to come and make money from them at
  - 24 that time.
- 10:24:47 25 Q. Not only to come and make money from them, but also to
  - 26 cooperate with them and tell them what they wanted to hear. Is
  - 27 that right?
  - 28 A. Exactly, sir.
  - 29 Q. Thank you. Now, after 1 and 2 December 2006 you weren't

- 1 interviewed again until 18 April 2007 and by that time it would
- 2 appear that you were being interviewed in Freetown. Does that
- 3 sound right?
- 4 A. Please come back with that question.
- 10:25:29 5 Q. Yes. We have been supplied with notes of all your
  - 6 interviews and after the two interviews on 1 and 2 December 2006
  - 7 in Monrovia you are not interviewed again until 18 April 2007 and
  - 8 that would appear to be an interview that takes place in
  - 9 Monrovia sorry, in Freetown. Do you agree?
- 10:26:08 10 A. I agree that I had an interview with them in April 2007 in
  - 11 Freetown.
  - 12 Q. So can you explain why it is that on 4 December, two days
  - 13 after you have just been given 100 US dollars by them, you get
  - 14 another 100 US dollars from them? 4 December 2006, 100 US
- 10:26:39 15 dollars for transport/lost wages and scratch card.
  - 16 A. Please, sir, as I told you earlier, I cannot like let me
  - 17 just forget about the contact with these people. Somebody will
  - 18 not give me money and I turn around and judge him on why he was
  - 19 giving me this money when we were already working together at
- 10:27:08 20 that time.
  - 21 Q. Were you being influenced by these dollops of money that
  - 22 you were getting on occasions either when you were interviewed or
  - 23 even when you weren't being interviewed?
  - 24 A. No, sir.
- 10:27:27 25 Q. Were you remembering things as time went on and as you were
  - 26 receiving more and more money from the Prosecution that you had
  - 27 never remembered before?
  - 28 A. Please come back with that question, sir.
  - 29 Q. Were you remembering things as time went on and you were

- 1 receiving more and more money from the Prosecution that you
- 2 hadn't remembered in your earlier interviews?
- 3 A. Please, sir, you know, when you talk about receiving more
- 4 and more money, you know, I cannot deny the fact that they have
- 10:28:10 5 not been spending more money on me or my family, but this money,
  - 6 you know, spent on me was on conditions which, you know, at that
  - 7 time I mean they were to protect me and my family for this
  - 8 particular I mean for this particular case that I am on here
  - 9 today.
- 10:28:36 10 Q. Mr Jaward, we have not got anywhere near money for your
  - 11 family yet or protection. This is you nipping round in your taxi
  - 12 to the Great Wall or the Urban Chateau or German embassy compound
  - to be interviewed by the Prosecution and receive 50 or 100
  - 14 dollars a time. That's what we're looking at at the moment,
- 10:29:04 15 2006. Can you help this Court with why it was that just two days
  - 16 after your interview on 1 and 2 December for which you were paid
  - 17 100 dollars you get another 100 dollars for the same category,
  - 18 transport/lost wages and this time a scratch card thrown in?
  - 19 A. As I told you earlier, I think my conscience behind even in
- 10:29:43 20 this case will be revealed to you later if you permit me. But
  - 21 can assure you that --
  - 22 Q. I am going to interrupt you because I have asked you a
  - 23 specific question about can you remember why you got that money.
  - 24 We don't want a speech from you about your conscience. We want
- 10:30:00 25 to know if you can remember why you were paid 200 United States
  - 26 dollars in the space of four days when you weren't even
  - 27 interviewed when you get the second batch of 100 United States
  - 28 dollars. Can you remember or can't you?
  - 29 A. This is what I am saying, sir. If those monies were given

- 1 to me, actually they were given to me, but they were not
- 2 something to influence me or to bribe me. That is all I know
- 3 about at that particular time.
- 4 Q. Right. Had you gone to Freetown to see them by February of
- 10:30:46 5 2007?
  - 6 A. Yes, sir.
  - 7 Q. Were you interviewed by them in February 2007?
  - 8 A. Come back, sir. You mean February 2007?
  - 9 Q. I do mean February 2007.
- 10:31:11 10 A. In Freetown?
  - 11 Q. That's what I asked.
  - 12 A. Well, I cannot remember February actually, but I came to
  - 13 Freetown some time around April actually.
  - 14 Q. Well, let's go back to February of last year and see what
- 10:31:29 15 you can remember about your dealings with the Prosecution in
  - 16 February of last year. The middle of February, the 17th. Can
  - 17 you remember getting 50 dollars, United States dollars, to cover
  - 18 lost wages on 17 February, that's the middle of February, last
  - 19 year?
- 10:31:58 20 A. As I told you actually I think we were not going to prolong
  - 21 on these issues. All the monies given to me at the time I had
  - 22 interviews with the Prosecution at that time, I don't have
  - 23 complete records of them because I did not take them to be a kind
  - of business that went on between them and I, but if there is
- 10:32:27 **25** anything --
  - 26 Q. I am going to interrupt you again. You were not
  - 27 interviewed in February of 2007. You may have forgotten that
  - 28 I pointed out that you were interviewed on 1 and 2 December 2006
  - 29 and not again until 18 April 2007. Why were you getting 50 US

- 1 dollars in the middle of February 2007 for lost wages? There was
- 2 no question even of transport on that occasion.
- 3 A. That is what I am saying. They gave me that money and when
- 4 they gave you the record they must have told you the reason why
- 10:33:09 5 that money was given to me, because I was not given record of
  - 6 what has been given to you.
  - 7 Q. Would you agree that during the period February 2006 to
  - 8 February 2007 you made quite a good amount of money out of
  - 9 cooperating with the Prosecution?
- 10:33:43 10 A. Is that a question, sir?
  - 11 Q. It started with the words "Would you agree" so, yes, it is
  - 12 a questi on.
  - 13 A. Yes, sir. Up to this time when I think about those monies,
  - 14 actually it is a good sum, sir.
- 10:34:01 15 Q. On 20 February you received 144 US dollars for medical
  - 16 treatment. You do remember receiving dollars for medical
  - 17 treatment, don't you?
  - 18 A. In Liberia, yes, sir.
  - 19 Q. If you had not been given that money by the Office of the
- 10:34:27 20 Prosecution, would you have been able to afford the medical
  - 21 treatment yourself?
  - 22 A. Yes, sir.
  - 23 Q. So that amounted to a gift from the Prosecution, didn't it?
  - 24 A. Well I don't know how they term it in a sense, but it was
- 10:34:49 25 not just like giving me a gift.
  - 26 Q. Well if you could have afforded it you didn't need them to
  - 27 pay for it, did you?
  - 28 A. No, but what but when you say "gift" somebody will have
  - 29 to say that, "The money I have given you is a gift", but really

- 1 in this case I don't have any other term to use regarding the
- 2 money that was given to me at that particular time, but all
- 3 I know is that it was like supporting me for what I have spent
- 4 for my sickness.
- 10:35:31 5 Q. Yes, but you didn't need them to pay it because you have
  - 6 told us you could have paid it yourself. That is right, isn't
  - 7 it?
  - 8 A. Yes, sir, if they had not been in contact with me.
  - 9 Q. 9 March 2007, not a time when you were interviewed, you
- 10:35:55 10 received 60 US dollars for loss of wages and to obtain passport
  - 11 photographs which cost 10 dollars, so in other words another neat
  - 12 round sum of 50 US dollars for the time that it took you to go
  - and get passport photographs and then the 10 dollars for the
  - 14 passport photographs. Do you remember that occasion?
- 10:36:21 15 A. Yes, sir.
  - 16 Q. Is there any particular reason, Mr Jaward, why they always
  - 17 paid you 50 dollars for loss of wages regardless of the amount of
  - 18 time that it seems to have taken?
  - 19 A. Well that question is up to them to answer, but it was
- 10:36:41 20 actually not like an agreement between them and I.
  - 21 Q. I am just asking you if they ever explained to you, for
  - 22 example, "This is the standard amount of money that we are going
  - 23 to pay you every time you see us, a neat round 50 dollars, and
  - you can always expect that sort of sum." Did they ever say
- 10:37:04 25 anything to you along those lines?
  - 26 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I am not so clear from
  - 27 my learned friend with the expression "a neat round 50 dollars".
  - 28 I am myself not too clear what he means.
  - 29 MR MUNYARD: Well, I will explain it.

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: Very well.
- 2 MR MUNYARD:
- 3 Q. If you had lost wages by parking your taxi for two and a
- 4 half or three and a half hours you may have lost 11 US dollars,
- 10:37:31 5 you might have lost 7 US dollars, you might have lost 23 US
  - 6 dollars, would you agree? You can't really predict exactly how
  - 7 much you would have lost?
  - 8 A. Well that is the prediction you are making, but from my own
  - 9 experience I have explained to you earlier that as a taxi driver
- 10:37:55 10 there wasn't any specific amount of money for a particular hour.
  - 11 You can make any amount at any time.
  - 12 Q. Exactly, yes, and making any amount at any time includes
  - making nothing at all, doesn't it, depending on business?
  - 14 A. Exactly. That is what I am saying.
- 10:38:17 15 Q. But you got a precise figure, that is what I mean by neat
  - 16 amount of 50 dollars, a precise sum every time that you went to
  - 17 see them whether for interview or not, do you agree?
  - 18 A. Yes, sir.
  - 19 Q. Let's just go into the occasion when you go to get passport
- 10:38:43 20 photographs. Where did you get the passport photographs done?
  - 21 A. In a photo studio.
  - 22 Q. Yes, where was that?
  - 23 A. In Monrovia.
  - 24 Q. How long did it take to get the passport photographs taken?
- 10:38:59 25 A. It was a short time just to get a passport photograph -
  - 26 passport photographs.
  - 27 Q. It was a Friday. Would you normally have worked on a
  - 28 Fri day?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir, I used to work 24 hours.

- 1 Q. And so we know from this receipt that the passport photos
- 2 cost 10 dollars and you got 60 for loss of wages and passport
- 3 photos, so we know that you got a neat round 50 dollars for your
- 4 loss of wages for the short time that it took for you to have
- 10:39:42 5 your passport photographs taken. That is right, isn't it?
  - 6 A. It is up to them how they felt about my effort in preparing
  - 7 all of those things, but I did not make any special request or
  - 8 until I give them any expenditures that I did.
  - 9 Q. What had happened to the conscience that so troubled you in
- 10:40:15 10 February 2006 when they said, "Oh, we will give you another 50
  - 11 dollars for the short time it took for you to sit in there and
  - 12 | look at the camera"? What had happened to your conscience by
  - 13 March 2007, Mr Jaward, when they are doling out 50 dollars for
  - 14 you to have your photographs taken and paying for the snaps?
- 10:40:40 15 A. Whether what happened to the 50 dollars that was given to
  - 16 me, sir?
  - 17 Q. I asked what happened to your conscience; the conscience
  - 18 that you claim back in February 2006 made you hesitate for a
  - 19 whole 24 hours before accepting the 50 dollars first time round.
- 10:41:11 20 Why didn't you say to them, "You can't possibly be paying me 50
  - 21 dollars for the few minutes it took in the photo studio. That is
  - 22 not right. That surely is influencing me with money"? Why
  - 23 didn't you say that to them in March 2007?
  - 24 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I --
- 10:41:30 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: Pause, Mr Witness. Yes, Mr Bangura?
  - MR BANGURA: I just want to be clear with what my learned
  - 27 friend is saying. We are talking about 60 dollars here and
  - 28 clearly my learned friend had in previous questions stated that
  - 29 10 dollars and got the witness to agree that 10 dollars was for

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that what you said?

1 photographs and 50 dollars was for lost wages, or whatever. 2 question which my learned friend has recently just put to the 3 witness seems to be suggesting that the 50 dollars were paid for 4 photographs, instead of lost wages, and I think that seems to be at variance with what has come out from the witness previously. 10:42:07 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Bangura, the question was, "You can't 6 7 possibly be ... " - a hypothetical statement, "You can't possibly be paying me 50 dollars for the few minutes it took in the photo 8 studio", so I think the question is 50 dollars for a few moments 10:42:30 10 in the photo studio and 10 dollars for the expenses of getting the photographs and so I will allow the question in the way it is 11 12 Mr Witness, did you hear the question? 13 THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am. 14 PRESIDING JUDGE: Please answer it. THE WITNESS: You see, as I said earlier, the money given 10:42:50 15 to me at that particular time, since I had declared my conscience 16 17 to them that no amount of money given to me would be able to influence me for what I was doing and if they give me money I was 18 19 going to accept it whether it was for photographs or for lost 10:43:15 20 wages, so that was exactly how I was going on with them. 21 that maybe what they gave me at a point in time depended on what 22 they had to be giving to me, but I did not make any demands for anything I was going to do to them in terms of money. 23 24 MR MUNYARD: I heard the witness say, "If they give me 10:43:38 25 money, I have to accept it". It has come out on the transcript 26 and it may be that the interpreter interpreted it this way, 27 "I was going to accept it": 28 But I thought I heard you say, "I have to accept it". Is

- 1 A. I said when they gave the money to me as long as --
- 2 Q. No, please stop. Stop for a moment, listen to the question
- 3 and answer the question. Did you just say in English in answer
- 4 to the question, "If they give me money I have to accept it"?
- 10:44:17 5 Was that the words that you used that I thought I heard you use
  - 6 in perfect English?
  - 7 A. No, sir, let me make it clear to you. Let me make what
  - 8 I said clear to you. I said as long as we had met before and
  - 9 that I had declared my intention to them that no amount of money
- 10:44:38 10 will be able to influence me, so no matter how much was given to
  - 11 me for anything as long as I did not demand it myself I have to
  - 12 accept it. That is what I said here.
  - 13 Q. 1 April 2007, no interview that day, another 50 dollars for
  - 14 transport and lost wages. What was that all about, Mr Jaward?
- 10:45:08 15 A. Well, I am telling you here that the people were giving me
  - 16 the money and I even regret that you are bringing money issues in
  - 17 this case at this particular point. If I was influenced by money
  - 18 I had taken my oath here before sitting here and I have to tell
  - 19 you here that that was the agreement between them and I, but
- 10:45:38 20 under any condition you cannot judge them for what they were
  - 21 giving to me as long as I declared my intention to them that
  - 22 I came to them to willingly contribute to what they were doing.
  - 23 Q. So all you have to do is say, "My conscience is clear.
  - 24 Give me as much money as you want to and I will accept it all."
- 10:45:59 25 Is that your position?
  - 26 A. I made you to understand that I was not even in position to
  - 27 make any demands.
  - 28 Q. On 2 April you are then brought under the Witness and
  - 29 Victims Service and you receive a total, as we have already

- 1 noted, of more than 32 and a half million Sierra Leone leones up
- 2 to 25 June this year, but you also carried on getting money from
- 3 the Prosecution, didn't you, as well as the Witness and Victims
- 4 Service money?
- 10:46:52 5 A. I think I can remember that earlier the composition of the
  - 6 Special Court when I came to Freetown I did not even know who was
  - 7 witness management or who were the WVS. I only took the whole
  - 8 organisation as one organisation. So if I went there and any of
  - 9 those people gave me money I just felt that they were the same
- 10:47:25 10 people that used to meet me in Monrovia. Only if you can break
  - 11 it down for me to understand which group is this and which group
  - 12 is that.
  - 13 Q. I'll do that, but are you saying that as far as you're
  - 14 concerned you saw no distinction between the Office of the
- 10:47:43 15 Prosecution and the Witness and Victims Service?
  - 16 A. No, sir.
  - 17 Q. Do you mean no, you saw no distinction between them? Are
  - 18 you agreeing with me?
  - 19 A. The responsibility of that particular office I don't know
- 10:48:04 20 any distinction between them in terms of money, sir.
  - 21 Q. Right. We know from a document that we have been supplied
  - 22 with from the Witness and Victims Service that they first brought
  - 23 you within their purview on 2 April 2007 and from that date up to
  - 24 25 June they have spent over 32 and a half million leones on you,
- 10:48:34 25 but what I'm asking you about at the moment is still limited to
  - 26 money that the Prosecution have been paying you. Do you follow?
  - 27 A. Yes, sir.
  - 28 Q. On 4 April, this is after you have come into the ambit of
  - 29 the Witness and Victims Service, the Prosecution paid you 200 US

- 1 dollars for what is called family care. Can you remember getting
- 2 200 dollars, the round sum of 200 dollars on 4 April, shortly
- 3 after you had been taken under the wing of the Witness and
- 4 Victims Service?
- 10:49:26 5 A. I don't know how what they named that particular money at
  - 6 that time, but I remember the money I received from them when
  - 7 I came earlier and that was when I had transported my whole
  - 8 family from Liberia to Sierra Leone, you know, in my taxi and
  - 9 when I came they said they would reimburse my expenditures
- 10:49:59 10 because that was what took me to bring me to Sierra Leone,
  - 11 because they encouraged me to move from where I was to come to
  - 12 Sierra Leone, so I can remember that when I gave the receipt to
  - 13 them they reimbursed me.
  - 14 Q. And did the Witness and Victims Service also look after you
- 10:50:17 15 financially, you and your family, from 2 April last year as they
  - 16 have informed us, or did you draw no distinction between the two
  - 17 organi sati ons agai n?
  - 18 A. Well, I never knew their responsibilities as far as the
  - 19 expenditures you are making mention of here were concerned at
- 10:50:47 20 that time.
  - 21 Q. Mr Jaward, would this be right to say: It didn't matter to
  - 22 you where the money was coming from as long as you were being
  - paid once you were in Sierra Leone?
  - 24 A. Come again with that question, please.
- 10:51:09 25 Q. It didn't matter to you at all, did it, from whom you were
  - 26 getting the money as long as you were getting money while you
  - 27 continued to cooperate with the Prosecution by coming to see them
  - 28 in Sierra Leone?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Now, 400 United States dollars from the Prosecution two
- 2 days after the Witness and Victims Service start to look after
- 3 you, then the next day you are paid in local currency 11,000
- 4 leones for food.
- 10:51:58 5 MR BANGURA: Your Honour, did my learned friend say 400
  - 6 United States dollars?
  - 7 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes.
  - 8 MR MUNYARD: I did, I'm sorry. I am jumping ahead of
  - 9 myself. We will come to the 400 in a moment.
- 10:52:09 10 JUDGE LUSSICK: Mr Munyard, I don't think anything turns on
  - 11 this but just for the sake of accuracy WVS stands for Witness and
  - 12 Victims Section, not service.
  - 13 MR MUNYARD: Thank you, your Honour. I have trouble with
  - 14 getting the first two the right way round. I thought I had
- 10:52:28 15 managed the third letter, but I am grateful. I will try and
  - 16 stick to the acronym in future:
  - 17 Q. 5 April you get 11,000 leones from the Prosecution for food
  - 18 and then on the very same day you get 19,000 leones for the
  - 19 purchase of a SIM card and a 250 unit scratch card for
- 10:52:59 20 communicating with the Office of the Prosecution. Can you
  - 21 remember that?
  - 22 A. Yes, sir, I can remember that, sir.
  - 23 Q. Then on 12 April from the Prosecution you get 40,000 leones
  - 24 for an affidavit and a birth certificate. Can you remember that?
- 10:53:29 25 A. Yes, sir, that was done for me, sir.
  - 26 Q. Now, on 27 April you get a further payment, and I am going
  - 27 to come to that, but I will just remind you on 18 April 2007 you
  - 28 are interviewed at the Special Court in Sierra Leone. Do you
  - 29 recall that? It appears to be the first time that you are

- 1 interviewed at the Special Court.
- 2 A. Yes, I was interviewed at the Special Court.
- 3 Q. Can you remember who it was who interviewed you at the
- 4 Special Court, that's the first time you go there presumably?
- 10:54:18 5 A. I cannot remember really.
  - 6 Q. Well, can you remember if it was men or women, or a man or
  - 7 a woman?
  - 8 A. I cannot remember the specific interview you are referring
  - 9 to.
- 10:54:37 10 Q. Right. 27 April you get 50 US dollars for a document to
  - 11 cross the border and lost wages. Can you remember that?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir. Yes, sir.
  - 13 Q. What was the loss of wages for then?
  - 14 A. That question should be referred to those who gave me the
- 10:55:12 15 money because I did not demand anything to them that they will
  - have to pay me this or pay me that before I do this.
  - 17 Q. Had you lost any wages on 27 April?
  - 18 A. I cannot remember what I exactly did on that day, so
  - 19 I cannot even say I lost wages.
- 10:55:38 20 Q. Because between 18 April and 10 July you are not
  - 21 interviewed on the face of it. 23 May you are provided here is
  - 22 the 400 US dollars you are provided with 400 US dollars for
  - 23 relocation of your wife and family. Do you remember getting 400
  - 24 dollars then?
- 10:56:08 25 A. Yes, sir, in Freetown.
  - 26 Q. Then you are interviewed in Freetown presumably, yes, on 10
  - 27 July, that's the middle of last year, and there is no record of
  - 28 you receiving any payment at the time of that interview. Were
  - 29 there occasions when you were interviewed where you weren't paid

- 1 anything at all by the Prosecution or anyone else?
- 2 A. Yes, sir, when I came to Freetown during most of my
- 3 meetings with them I was not given money that as it used to
- 4 happen in Liberia. Likewise even the first time I came here
- 10:57:05 5 I had interview with them, but no money was given to me for that.
  - 6 Q. Right. So you weren't losing any wages when you came to
  - 7 Freetown in July of 2007. Is that what you're saying?
  - 8 A. I said I was not even requesting for any loss of wages so
  - 9 that is what I'm saying.
- 10:57:34 10 Q. I'm asking you were you losing any wages by the time by
  - 11 July of 2007?
  - 12 A. Well, as I told you earlier, you know, moving to Liberia
  - 13 and coming to Sierra Leone was like if you are only talking about
  - 14 the negative impact on my business, or even my life, or for even
- 10:58:07 15 my whole family you cannot even make mention of that by charging
  - 16 the people I mean the Prosecution at that time to pay any
  - 17 amount of money for it. So it was not like, you know, that
  - 18 I taxed them that at that particular time I was loss in wages so
  - 19 you have to do this.
- 10:58:27 20 Q. The reality is, is it not, that from April 2007 you were
  - 21 being paid by the Witness and Victims Section and from time to
  - 22 time by the Prosecution and you didn't need to earn any more.
  - 23 That's right, isn't it?
  - 24 A. Yes.
- 10:58:54 25 Q. 26 October 2007 you're paid 40,000 Leones for communication
  - 26 and meals. Can you remember being paid that for communicating
  - 27 and having something to eat in late October last year?
  - 28 A. Really I don't think I really have to continue belabouring
  - 29 this point. I said I don't have any record or a complete record

- 1 of what have been given to you that I will have to memorise it
- 2 and start to answer yes or no to each and every one of them, but
- 3 monies were given to me and expenditures went on.
- 4 Q. Stop for a moment. All I asked you was do you remember it.
- 10:59:43 5 All you have to say is either yes or no and then we will --
  - 6 A. No, no I cannot.
  - 7 Q. And then we will move on to the next question more quickly.
  - 8 A. I can remember that monies were given to me and they were
  - 9 spent on me from that moment up to this time, but I cannot
- 11:00:04 10 remember the exact date and amounts.
  - 11 Q. Do you remember on 1 November 2007 receiving 65,000 Leones
  - 12 to estimate the value of your vehicle for registration purposes?
  - 13 A. No, sir.
  - 14 Q. Later that month, 26 November, 10,000 Leones for transport
- 11:00:38 15 and meals. Do you remember that?
  - 16 A. I said I cannot remember these dates.
  - 17 Q. You see you are not interviewed between August of 2007 and
  - 18 February, end of February 2008. I just wondered if you were able
  - 19 to help us at all with these other payments. Finally 21 March
- 11:01:06 20 2008, 5,000 Leones for transport. Can you remember that?
  - 21 A. I said I cannot remember the dates and the amounts that
  - 22 were paid to me in sequence, because I want to accept and agree
  - 23 with anything that I believe I can remember and that my memory
  - 24 can tell me that indeed this was what happened. But all I can
- 11:01:32 25 tell you is that since the moment I came in contact with the
  - 26 Prosecution of the Special Court they have been making
  - expenditures on my behalf and on me up to this moment.
  - 28 Q. When did you come to The Hague?
  - 29 A. As I sit here presently I arrived here on the 25th of this

- 1 month of last month.
- 2 Q. Were you expecting to come earlier?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. When were you expecting to come?
- 11:02:07 5 A. You mean for this present sitting?
  - 6 Q. No, when were you first led to believe you would be coming
  - 7 to The Hague to give evidence in the trial of Charles Taylor?
  - 8 A. That was before I even left Monrovia to come to Sierra
  - 9 Leone. I was expecting to have been here in less than two
- 11:02:39 **10** months.
  - 11 Q. In other words, some time in 2007?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir.
  - 13 Q. Do you know why it was that you didn't come in 2007?
  - 14 A. Yes, sir.
- 11:03:05 15 Q. Why was that?
  - 16 A. The only reasons given to me at that time was that there
  - 17 were postponement of the trial and that it was not yet my own
  - 18 time for me to come.
  - 19 Q. Now, in the meantime you're stuck down there in Sierra
- 11:03:28 20 Leone, is that right?
  - 21 A. No, sir. When I came down there were postponements and
  - 22 I felt that I was now like a standby for this particular case,
  - 23 you know, so I engaged myself in attending school.
  - 24 Q. Right. Is that in Sierra Leone that you have been
- 11:03:54 25 attending school?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir.
  - 27 Q. And watching and waiting for the time when they would
  - 28 finally bring you to The Hague and you would give your evidence,
  - 29 is that right?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. And how much of the time how much of each day do your
- 3 studies take up?
- 4 A. Please, that question is not too clear to me.
- 11:04:33 5 Q. When did you start your studies in Sierra Leone?
  - 6 A. That was after I heard about the postponement of the trial
  - 7 and I cannot sit like that without doing anything and just
  - 8 waiting on trial to start, so that was the time I started.
  - 9 Q. Mr Jaward, nobody would criticise you for using your time
- 11:05:05 10 constructively. I am just trying to find out the date when you
  - 11 started your studies.
  - 12 A. I cannot remember the exact date, but that was some time in
  - 13 November 2007.
  - 14 Q. Right. So if I have understood you correctly you come to
- 11:05:28 15 Sierra Leone in April of 2007 and resettle your family shortly
  - 16 after that, is that correct, in Sierra Leone?
  - 17 A. Really, when you talk about resettle I can say I have not
  - 18 actually resettled like I can say. I have just said that my
  - 19 family itself was on standby and I was on standby for this
- 11:06:02 20 particular court.
  - 21 Q. Did you come to Sierra Leone in April 2007 and stay there
  - 22 until you came here last month?
  - 23 A. Yes, sir.
  - 24 Q. So between April 2007 and November 2007 you weren't working
- 11:06:24 25 and you weren't studying, is that correct?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir.
  - 27 Q. Now, you are a man who in your earlier evidence you told us
  - 28 listens to the radio, the BBC, yes?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Let me try and get it right this time, Focus on Africa, do
- 2 you know that programme?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. Everyone knows that programme in West Africa, don't they?
- 11:07:05 5 A sweeping statement, but I think he may be willing to give an
  - 6 answer.
  - 7 A. I cannot answer for everyone. I only know about myself.
  - 8 Q. I got what I deserved. Very well. Do many of your friends
  - 9 listen to Focus on Africa?
- 11:07:24 10 A. Yes, there are other people who had interest in that
  - 11 programme.
  - 12 Q. Including people you know?
  - 13 A. Yes.
  - 14 Q. And is it the only radio programme you listen to to get
- 11:07:44 15 news about what's happening in West Africa, or matters that
  - 16 affect West Africa, or do you listen to other programmes too?
  - 17 A. I do listen to other programmes on the radio.
  - 18 Q. Would it be fair to say that you are a regular radio
  - 19 listener?
- 11:08:08 20 A. Yes, sir.
  - 21 Q. And have you been for most of your life?
  - 22 A. No, sir.
  - 23 Q. Well, you have told us about occasions when you heard
  - things over the BBC during the 1990s and the early years of this
- 11:08:33 25 century. Do you remember telling us occasions when you have
  - 26 heard things on the BBC?
  - 27 A. Yes, sir.
  - 28 Q. I'm not suggesting it is anything to be embarrassed about.
  - 29 Would you say that you were a regular listener to the radio when

- 1 you were growing up and since you have been an adult?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. And do you also watch television?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, when the opportunity comes.
- 11:09:13 5 Q. Do you have a television at home in Sierra Leone?
  - 6 A. Yes, sir.
  - 7 Q. Thank you. Do you watch news and current affairs
  - 8 programmes on it to keep up to date with what's happening?
  - 9 A. No, sir, I don't have that facility on my television.
- 11:09:37 10 Q. You don't have the news or any current affairs programmes
  - on your television? Is that what you're telling these judges?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir.
  - 13 Q. Those channels don't feature on the television you have.
  - 14 Is that right?
- 11:09:54 15 A. What I am trying to say here is that in the television, the
  - 16 television you need to have an antenna or a satellite receiver to
  - 17 tune your television on the television stations, but I don't have
  - 18 that on my television. I only watch videos.
  - 19 Q. Haven't you asked the Office of the Prosecution to pay for
- 11:10:22 20 an antenna or a satellite connection?
  - 21 A. No, sir.
  - 22 Q. Is that true?
  - 23 A. Yes, sir.
  - 24 Q. Well, you have certainly been receiving enough money to pay
- 11:10:38 25 for that connection yourself, haven't you, or to pay for an
  - 26 antenna for yourself?
  - 27 A. Spending money on television or antenna at that time had
  - 28 not been my priority really, so I cannot spend money on that.
  - 29 Q. You told us earlier that you had been on a course, I think

- 1 you said a communications course, is that right? Has my memory
- 2 served me correctly?
- 3 A. I have not been on what type of communication, please?
- 4 Q. Earlier this morning you said you had been on a course.
- 11:11:26 5 I can't quite remember what sort of course it was.
  - 6 PRESIDING JUDGE: Was it not a computer course?
  - 7 MR MUNYARD: Thank you, your Honour, yes. I knew it began
  - 8 with C-O-M:
  - 9 Q. A computer course you'd been on, yes?
- 11:11:39 10 A. Yes, sir.
  - 11 Q. Did that include the internet?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir, there were introductions to internet.
  - 13 Q. Do you have a computer?
  - 14 A. Yes, sir, recently I had a desktop an old desktop
- 11:12:06 15 computer that I bought from a friend.
  - 16 Q. And do you have the internet?
  - 17 A. No, sir.
  - 18 Q. Do you use the internet at internet cafes or shops or other
  - 19 places where they have it available for a small fee?
- 11:12:21 20 A. I have not been so frequent on the internet because of my
  - 21 courses for a long time.
  - 22 Q. So less frequently now, but used to be frequent before. Is
  - that what you're telling us?
  - 24 A. Even before I had not been on the net really.
- 11:12:52 25 Q. Now, back to last year. You thought you were coming to The
  - 26 Hague by the middle of last year, didn't you?
  - 27 A. Yes, sir.
  - 28 Q. Were you upset or frustrated by the fact that the trial got
  - 29 put off and you were still stuck in Sierra Leone?

- 1 A. Well, I was upset as a result of the postponement, but not
- 2 because of not because of being stuck in Sierra Leone.
- 3 Q. All right. But you were no doubt keen to come here and get
- 4 your evidence over and done with, is that right?
- 11:13:50 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. And so you presumably have followed the case once it
  - 7 started at the beginning of January as much as you could?
  - 8 A. In what way, please? That question --
  - 9 Q. Well, in any way.
- 11:14:18 10 A. Please, sir, I did not have the facility to monitor the
  - 11 case here as it went on, sir.
  - 12 Q. Television. Anybody else's television that had an antenna
  - or a cable connection? Did you ever see anybody else's?
  - 14 A. I have seen that before, but my studies never permitted me
- 11:14:45 15 to even leave my house to go and sit elsewhere to watch
  - 16 tel evi si on.
  - 17 Q. Yes and just how much of the time were you actually in
  - 18 class?
  - 19 A. When I registered for my for the exams I have been
- 11:15:07 20 talking about I go to school at 8 o'clock and then come out
  - 21 around 2 o'clock and when I come back home I will have to study
  - 22 and I will have to I will also have to study my children as
  - 23 well at home.
  - 24 Q. When you are at school and you have breaks or before the
- 11:15:24 25 day starts do you talk to other people at the school about
  - 26 current events?
  - 27 A. I did not have much time as far as --
  - 28 Q. Do you ever read newspapers?
  - 29 A. I have not had that interest during the time I have been

- 1 taking my classes.
- 2 Q. Do you ever read newspapers?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, I have read newspapers.
- 4 Q. See, there you are in Sierra Leone waiting to come to The
- 11:16:03 5 Hague, not sure when it is exactly you're going to get here and
  - 6 you must have been very interested indeed to watch the progress
  - 7 of this trial, weren't you?
  - 8 A. All I know here is that what I was coming to say here was
  - 9 not something I was going to learn or I will have to monitor
- 11:16:30 10 somebody. It was something within me, something part of me that
  - 11 I will have to say, so I was not in any hurry to get information
  - 12 ahead of time, sir.
  - 13 Q. Once you have given your evidence and you go back to West
  - 14 Africa does the money dry up?
- 11:16:50 15 A. Which money are you referring to?
  - 16 Q. All this money that you have been getting from the Office
  - 17 of the Prosecutor and the Witness and Victims Section, does it
  - 18 all dry up once your evidence is finished?
  - 19 A. First of all I want to make you understand this, sir, that
- 11:17:27 20 even the money you are making mention of here was not a money
  - 21 that was given to me in bulk that I used to make savings for.
  - 22 These were monies that were spent on my behalf that I did not
  - even set eyes on, but I knew that they were spent on those
  - 24 facilities that I and my family were enjoying like housing,
- 11:17:47 25 medical facilities and so on, so I don't understand --
  - 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, you are not answering the
  - 27 question. The question is, "When you finish the evidence, does
  - 28 the money dry up?"
  - 29 THE WITNESS: I don't understand that question, actually.

- 1 What you mean by the money dropping or drying up?
- 2 MR MUNYARD:
- 3 Q. Does it finish? Is your financial lifeline cut off?
- 4 A. Well it depends on those who have been giving me the money,
- 11:18:24 5 because it is not like a business between me and them. If they
  - 6 feel that they will have to continue to give it to me it is up to
  - 7 them, but I cannot decide.
  - 8 Q. Have you been given to understand that it will continue in
  - 9 some form once you get back, this financial support?
- 11:18:49 10 A. The only thing I was concerned about especially for them,
  - 11 I mean the Prosecution, was that it is what I am doing here
  - 12 presently. I said, "It is a very risky game that I am playing."
  - 13 I said, "Because of my presence before the International Court
  - 14 here it is a risk that I am undertaking with my family", so if
- 11:19:18 15 they had any way for my family and I to be protected anywhere in
  - 16 case of any trouble that was the only question I asked them and
  - 17 they said they will not be able to answer that until after the
  - 18 testi mony.
  - 19 Q. So you are expecting to enter some sort of arrangement with
- 11:19:36 20 them after your testimony to continue giving you financial
  - 21 support, is that right?
  - 22 A. Not really financial support, but I only expressed concern
  - 23 about the level where we have reached for me to come in person
  - 24 here to sit here and do what I am doing presently. I said a
- 11:20:03 25 specific information was not given to me as how to go about it,
  - 26 but they only expressed that they were also concerned about
  - 27 whosoever came to do this and that they were concerned about that
  - 28 person's security. They said that was even the reason why they
  - 29 moved me from Liberia to bring me to Sierra Leone, because they

- 1 had assessed the level of security in Sierra Leone in this case.
- 2 Q. Mr Jaward, is it your understanding that once you have
- 3 given your evidence you may still be able to get some sort of
- 4 financial support from the Prosecution and/or the Witness and
- 11:20:49 5 Victims section?
  - 6 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, the question has been asked and
  - 7 answered by the witness already.
  - 8 PRESIDING JUDGE: I don't agree, Mr Bangura. I have not
  - 9 got a direct answer to that question. He has talked around it
- 11:21:03 10 and he has indicated that there is to be something. Counsel is
  - 11 now asking about his expectations, or his understanding. Answer
  - the question, please, Mr Witness.
  - 13 THE WITNESS: I said I cannot answer that question on
  - 14 behalf of the Prosecution, you know, because they have been doing
- 11:21:25 15 all these expenditures on my behalf and my family and so it is up
  - 16 to them to decide. It is not like a business between me and
  - 17 them.
  - 18 MR MUNYARD: Madam President, I am going to try one more
  - 19 time, if I may, because I don't regard that as an answer:
- 11:21:43 20 Q. Is it your --
  - 21 PRESI DI NG JUDGE: Mr Wi tness excuse me, Mr Munyard.
  - 22 MR MUNYARD: Certainly.
  - 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Munyard is asking not about an
  - 24 agreement already reached necessarily, but what you expect or
- 11:21:54 25 what you understand will happen in the future. Has an
  - 26 understanding been reached?
  - 27 THE WITNESS: There was no understanding that they will
  - 28 have to do a particular thing for me, but the only thing that
  - 29 I was concerned about that I told them was the security concern.

- 1 MR MUNYARD:
- 2 Q. So putting it finally, you expect that you may still get
- 3 some sort of support from the Prosecution, or possibly the Court,
- 4 after you have given your evidence. Is that right?
- 11:22:44 5 A. I am not expecting a compensation, sir.
  - 6 Q. Do you know any other people who have given evidence in
  - 7 this case?
  - 8 A. Except on radios that I heard some names, but I have not
  - 9 seen them in person and I have not met them in person since they
- 11:23:22 10 gave their evidence.
  - 11 Q. What about before they gave their evidence?
  - 12 A. Like the names of the people I heard over the radio I have
  - 13 seen them before, before my contact with this WV I mean Special
  - 14 Court, because some of the names they called that had testified
- 11:23:53 15 here were people I knew before.
  - 16 Q. And you knew people, did you not, before you came here in
  - 17 June? You knew people who told you that they were going to be
  - 18 witnesses in this case? That's right, isn't it?
  - 19 A. Yes, sir. Before I came in contact with the Special Court,
- 11:24:20 20 you know, I met a friend who even tried to link me up with the
  - 21 people, you know, that who said that the Special Court had
  - 22 people there that were investigating Charles Taylor's case.
  - 23 Q. Yes. And paying people to help them, yes?
  - 24 A. They never talked about payment to me at that particular
- 11:24:48 **25 time**.
  - 26 Q. What, your friends who told you that they knew the Special
  - 27 Court were conducting this investigation, they didn't tell you at
  - 28 that time that you might get paid, or you would get paid for
  - 29 cooperating? Is that what you are telling us?

- 1 A. No, sir.
- 2 Q. When did they tell you that you would get paid, your
- 3 friends or your contacts?
- 4 A. I said nobody told me about being paid for my contacts.
- 11:25:24 5 Q. Right, back to these people who you have met. You have met
  - 6 people, more than one person, who was going to be a witness in
  - 7 this case, haven't you?
  - 8 A. Before my contact with the Special Court, yes, sir.
  - 9 Q. And since?
- 11:25:47 10 A. I am not in contact with anyone that I know that is a
  - 11 witness like me.
  - 12 Q. Absolutely no-one? You have not been in contact with any
  - 13 of them since you first met the Prosecutors in February 2006, is
  - 14 that what you are telling this Court?
- 11:26:20 15 A. No, sir.
  - 16 PRESIDING JUDGE: That is a confusing answer, Mr Witness.
  - 17 Are you agreeing with counsel that you have not been in contact,
  - 18 or are you denying it? A negative in Krio, Mr Munyard, is a
  - 19 difficult concept.
- 11:26:38 20 MR MUNYARD: Well, he is speaking English. I don't have
  - 21 any difficulty with his English. I have only got the headphones
  - 22 on to listen to the interpreters when I tune into the right
  - channel.
  - 24 PRESIDING JUDGE: In any event, Mr Witness, are you
- 11:26:51 25 agreeing with what counsel said when you said, "No, sir"?
  - 26 THE WITNESS: Let him come back, please, with that
  - 27 questi on.
  - 28 PRESIDING JUDGE: Would you repeat the question,
  - 29 Mr Munyard, and this may have to be the last one before the

- 1 break.
- 2 MR MUNYARD: Yes:
- 3 Q. Is it your evidence that since February of 2006 you have
- 4 met absolutely no-one who is, or is to be, or has been a witness
- 11:27:13 5 in this case? Is that what you are saying?
  - 6 A. No, sir, the person I met never disclosed his identity to
  - 7 me as a witness.
  - 8 Q. And are you saying you have never met another person who is
  - 9 to be or has been a witness in this case since you first
- 11:27:37 10 contacted the Prosecution in February 2006?
  - 11 A. Those I had already known over the radio that they had
  - 12 testified, you know, I had never met them before and it was only
  - 13 confirmed for me to know that they were witnesses in this case.
  - 14 Q. So only by your listening to the radio and following the
- 11:28:08 15 trial on the radio, is that what you are saying?
  - 16 A. Exactly, sir. The times I used to tune my radio, you know,
  - 17 I mean I used to tune my radio, I used to hear that these people,
  - 18 such and such a person, had given evidence in The Hague, so that
  - 19 will be the time that I will know that I knew this person before
- 11:28:38 20 and that he had been a witness like me. That was the only time
  - 21 I knew those things, but the time they came as witness I was not
  - in contact.
  - 23 MR MUNYARD: I am aware that the tape either has or is
  - about to expire.
- 11:28:54 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, we are now going to take our
  - 26 usual mid-morning break of half an hour. We will be resuming
  - 27 court at 12 o'clock. Please adjourn court until 12.
  - 28 [Break taken at 11.29 a.m.]
  - 29 [Upon resuming at 12.03 p.m.]

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: I note a change of appearance,
- 2 Mr Munyard.
- 3 MR MUNYARD: Madam President, that's correct. Mr Courtenay
- 4 Griffiths QC has now joined us on the Defence bench.
- 12:02:56 5 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you. Please proceed with your
  - 6 cross-examination.
  - 7 MR MUNYARD: Thank you, Madam President:
  - 8 Q. Mr Jaward, just help us on the question of radio stations.
  - 9 The UN, the United Nations, has a radio station in Freetown,
- 12:03:26 10 doesn't it?
  - 11 A. Yes, sir.
  - 12 Q. It's not limited to Freetown, but you can certainly hear it
  - 13 because it's broadcast from Freetown, isn't it?
  - 14 A. I don't know their frequency limitations, sir, but I do
- 12:03:49 15 know of a UN radio in Freetown.
  - 16 Q. And have you been listening to the trial on the UN radio?
  - 17 A. No, sir, I have not been monitoring the UN radio for any
  - 18 trial here, sir.
  - 19 Q. Is that an honest answer?
- 12:04:16 20 A. Well, what I'm trying to say like to monitor the UN radio,
  - 21 always to go along with the trial, you know, this is what I mean.
  - 22 I have not been on that, sir.
  - 23 Q. On the radio, the UN station, is the best source of
  - information about this trial, isn't it?
- 12:04:42 25 A. Well, I don't know where you people do send your messages
  - to be broadcast to other people, but I do know that they too do
  - 27 broadcast information about UN in particular.
  - 28 Q. They broadcast material from this trial in full, don't
  - 29 they?

- 1 A. This is what I'm trying to say, I do not know their level
- 2 of broadcasting.
- 3 Q. Have you ever listened to any of the UN station's
- 4 broadcasts about this trial?
- 12:05:23 5 A. Yes, sir, I monitored something about this trial.
  - 6 Q. We know that money was given to you to pay for your vehicle
  - 7 to be registered in Sierra Leone. You brought your car, your
  - 8 taxi, to Sierra Leone, did you?
  - 9 A. No. sir.
- 12:05:45 10 Q. So what was the money paid for to have it valued at
  - 11 customs?
  - 12 A. That was just a sort of laissez passé and the other road
  - 13 expenditures that I made to come with my family. It was refunded
  - 14 when I went to Freetown.
- 12:06:15 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: Sorry, to interrupt, Mr Munyard, but
  - don't I recall, Mr Witness, you said you came with your family in
  - 17 your taxi when you moved to Sierra Leone.
  - 18 MR MUNYARD: That's what I thought I heard.
  - 19 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I think we have landed into some
- 12:06:31 20 confusion about the answer that the witness gave because there
  - 21 were two questions, one following the other, and the witness
  - 22 answered no and we do not know to which of those two questions
  - the witness was answering no. One of them was did he come with
  - 24 his taxi and the other was was he given money to register his
- 12:06:51 25 taxi in Sierra Leone. They both came together.
  - 26 MR MUNYARD: No, with respect, I didn't ask a question
  - 27 about him being given money. I said, "We know that money was
  - 28 given to you to pay for your vehicle to be registered in Sierra
  - 29 Leone." That was the preface and then the question was, "You

- 1 brought your car, your taxi, to Sierra Leone, did you?", and that
- 2 was what we got the answer "no" to. But I'll clarify it if my
- 3 learned friend would like me to. I'm quite happy to.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE: Very well, but I do recall the previous
- 12:07:24 5 question that that is based on. Very well, please clarify it.
  - 6 MR MUNYARD:
  - 7 Q. Mr Jaward, what's this laissez-passer payment that you're
  - 8 talking about?
  - 9 A. This was the official travelling certificate that they gave
- 12:07:54 10 the embassies give for you to cross from one country to
  - another, which is only valid for about three months.
  - 12 Q. Right. You got a laissez-passer payment of 50 US dollars
  - 13 from the Office of the Prosecution on Friday, 27 April 2007 and
  - 14 it wasn't until Thursday, 1 November 2007 that they gave you
- 12:08:29 15 65,000 Leones required to pay the customs for transport and forms
  - 16 to estimate the value of your vehicle for registration purposes
  - 17 in Sierra Leone. So you did bring your vehicle to Sierra Leone,
  - 18 di dn' t you?
  - 19 A. Yes, I brought my car to I took my car to Sierra Leone,
- 12:08:59 20 but the line of expenditure that you've mentioned in your
  - 21 question, I do not understand that well, whether the money was
  - 22 given to me to register my car in Sierra Leone, no.
  - 23 Q. When I asked you, "You brought your car, your taxi, to
  - 24 Sierra Leone, did you?", you answered, "No, sir." What did you
- 12:09:24 25 mean by that answer?
  - 26 A. I said I took my car to Sierra Leone.
  - 27 Q. The question I asked you was, "We know that money was given
  - to you to pay for your vehicle to be registered in Sierra Leone.
  - 29 You brought your car, your taxi, to Sierra Leone, did you?", and

- 1 you said "no". Do you remember saying that just about two
- 2 minutes ago?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. And now you're saying that you did bring your vehicle to
- 12:10:01 5 Si erra Leone, yes?
  - 6 A. I never said that. I said I brought my car taxi to
  - 7 Si erra Leone.
  - 8 Q. Is there a difference between your car and your taxi?
  - 9 A. I'm referring to my taxi.
- 12:10:25 10 Q. All right. I'm not going to get tied up in what you have
  - 11 and haven't said, I just want to ask you this: Once you've
  - 12 brought your taxi to Sierra Leone and help us with when you did
  - 13 that, please? Was it right at the beginning, to bring your
  - 14 family?
- 12:10:48 15 A. Yes, sir, that was the time that I was bringing my family,
  - so I used my taxi to cross every one of us here, I mean in Sierra
  - 17 Leone.
  - 18 Q. And have you used your taxi to earn some money once you've
  - 19 been in Sierra Leone?
- 12:11:07 20 A. No, sir.
  - 21 Q. Why not?
  - 22 A. I believe that the course that I am doing now I mean the
  - 23 classes that I have been taking to get my certificate is more
  - 24 important to me now than to engage in looking for fast money.
- 12:11:26 25 Q. You've been in Sierra Leone since April of 2007. You don't
  - 26 start the course until November 2007. You've been earning a bit
  - of money on the side doing taxi driving, haven't you, Mr Jaward?
  - 28 A. Come back with that question, please.
  - 29 Q. You have been earning a bit of money on the side doing taxi

- 1 work in Sierra Leone, haven't you?
- 2 A. No, sir. Since I crossed my taxi into Sierra Leone where I
- 3 parked it with the Liberian registration plate, it's still on it.
- 4 Q. That wouldn't stop you doing a bit of informal taxi work,
- 12:12:17 5 would it?
  - 6 A. I do not understand the question, sir.
  - 7 Q. The fact that you've got Liberian plates doesn't stop you
  - 8 doing a bit of informal taxi work to earn a bit of money, does
  - 9 it?
- 12:12:39 10 A. The fact there is since I brought my taxi and I parked it
  - 11 in a fence where I am, I have not even taken it out for a repair
  - 12 or for anything.
  - 13 Q. So you were earning enough from the money you were getting
  - 14 from OTP and WVS not to need to have to do any taxi work on the
- 12:13:01 15 side, is that right?
  - 16 A. Really I want you to understand that what I was making
  - 17 before OTP came was even enough for me to do what I'm doing now,
  - 18 to go to school at present, and so what they were doing their
  - 19 efforts was just an addition. I believe I myself had laid that
- 12:13:30 20 foundation before.
  - 21 Q. We have your answers earlier about living off the money
  - 22 from the OTP and the WVS. I'm now going to ask you about some of
  - 23 the information that you gave to the OTP, the Office of the
  - 24 Prosecutor, and I wonder, Madam Court Officer, if you could
- 12:13:54 25 distribute some bundles. I'd like you to be shown tab 1, please.
  - 26 This is the first recorded interview and it took place on 24
  - 27 February. Present was David Cunningham, who is an investigator
  - 28 from the Office of the Prosecutor, together with Alfred Sesay.
  - 29 Just help us with this. Was that --

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2 this? 3 MR MUNYARD: I'm sorry, it should be tab 1. 4 PRESIDING JUDGE: It's just that the one I have at tab 1 is 28 February and it's Berry, Cunningham and Morissette. 12:17:10 5 MR MUNYARD: Your Honour, that's one of the difficulties 6 7 with these documents. They often bear the wrong date. don't - I am sorry, it is not the wrong date, but they often bear 8 the date of the memo that is sent. But the interview, if you look below all that introductory section, "This interview was 12:17:28 10 conducted at the ...", and we know what it was because of the 11 12 later disclosure. 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: I see. Provided we're --14 MR MUNYARD: Certainly, if I give the ERN number. 12:17:41 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is 16537 in my copy. 16 MR MUNYARD: It is, thank you. 17 PRESIDING JUDGE: Very well, then we all have the same one. MR MUNYARD: Can I just make it clear for everybody's 18 19 benefit that what appears at the top of the page sometimes is the 12:17:53 20 date that a memo was sent by someone to someone else. You 21 sometimes have to look at the body of the tex t to find out day 22 and the date of the interview and you do in the first two lines 23 of the text: 24 Now this interview took place, we can see, on 24 February. 12:18:36 25 We know from - I'm not asking anyone to turn it up, but we know 26 from tab 9, page 100232, that it was conducted at the Urban 27 Chateau Hotel in Monrovia and it lasted from 20 to 3 in the 28 afternoon to quarter to 6 in the afternoon. Present were David

PRESIDING JUDGE: Please pause, Mr Munyard. What tab is

Cunningham, whose name we see at the bottom of the last page of

- 1 the interview at 16539, and also Alfred Sesay. Was that
- 2 interview conducted in English with you? Mr Jaward, was that
- 3 interview conducted in English with you? Would you stop reading
- 4 the interview for a moment.
- 12:19:31 5 A. I'm listening to you, sir.
  - 6 Q. Would you like to answer me now, please?
  - 7 A. Yes, sir.
  - 8 Q. It was conducted in English, are you agreeing?
  - 9 A. Yes, the same English I'm speaking here is the same English
- 12:19:45 10 I was speaking.
  - 11 Q. Very well, thank you. And after this interview were the
  - 12 notes read back to you for you to correct?
  - 13 A. I cannot remember really at that on this particular
  - 14 interview that I'm seeing here.
- 12:20:16 15 Q. All right. If you turn to tab 3, this is an interview on
  - 16 11 November 2006, on page 25969 you will see there that in the
  - 17 course of that interview, which we're going to look at in more
  - 18 detail later, that you were taken through the notes of 24
  - 19 February 2006 line by line, paragraph by paragraph. Do you see
- 12:21:00 20 that? Do you see to take an example, or a couple of examples on
  - 21 page 25969, where it says, "Interview clarification with
  - 22 Mr Jabaty Jaward on statement made on the ...", and they haven't
  - 23 filled in the date.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Munyard, I don't know why, but your
- 12:21:19 25 microphone is not picking --
  - 26 MR MUNYARD: Oh, well it's on.
  - 27 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Nothing has been recorded of what you
  - 28 just said.
  - 29 MR MUNYARD: Very well, your Honour. I am not going to use

- 1 that one, because it garrotes me every time I try to move. If I
- 2 move documents I get caught in the wire, that's the problem:
- 3 Q. Now, on 11 November you were taken through for the second
- 4 time in fact, as we'll see, you were taken through that
- 12:21:57 5 interview, that 24 February interview, line by line. Do you
  - 6 remember that happening?
  - 7 A. Yes, sir.
  - 8 Q. Thank you. We'll go back then to tab 1, page 16537. There
  - 9 are a number of bullet points in the shape of arrows where your
- 12:22:18 10 account has been recorded on that first page of the interview of
  - 11 24 February and I'm going to read out what's written and I can
  - tell you that it's correctly transposed from the handwritten
  - 13 notes which are also enclosed if anyone wants to check:
  - 14 "Lived behind the rebel lines as a civilian from 1991 to
- 12:22:46 15 1993 in Pendembu, Sierra Leone, and was utilised periodically as
  - 16 a labourer during that time whenever the RUF would come into
  - 17 town. "
  - 18 Did you tell the Prosecution that?
  - 19 A. No, sir.
- 12:23:11 20 Q. Can you think of any reason why the investigators could
  - 21 have written that down if you didn't tell them that?
  - 22 A. Well I cannot condemn the investigator directly here, but I
  - 23 really, you know, at that time, you know, I was misquoted and I
  - even made a correction to this later on when it was read to me
- 12:23:39 **25** again.
  - 26 Q. Well then let's go to page 25969, tab 3. On 11 November,
  - 27 when you were taken through this line by line, all you correct on
  - page 1 is the spelling of Vahun and the spelling of Kailahun.
  - 29 When you were taken through that interview in November you didn't

- 1 say to them, "Oh, hang on a minute, no, that's not right. I
- 2 never said that", did you?
- 3 A. No, sir, because I was not seeing directly what they were
- 4 writing, sir.
- 12:24:40 5 Q. No, no, no, mo. Mr Jaward, they read back to you the
  - 6 interview as you told us earlier this morning. In later
  - 7 interviews they read back everything from the previous interviews
  - 8 for you to correct, or clarify. Do you not remember telling the
  - 9 judges that this morning?
- 12:25:03 10 A. This is what I'm saying here. Reading back to me to
  - 11 confirm all this only came later on when they read some of these
  - 12 statements to me. I was making these corrections. That was the
  - 13 time I can remember, you know, that they read the previous
  - 14 statement to me for me to make a correction.
- 12:25:24 15 Q. Tab 2, please, the second page of that interview. This is
  - 16 an interview on 11 July 2006. You're also being interviewed on
  - 17 that occasion by David Cunningham again and this time someone
  - 18 called Joseph Saffa, both from the Office of the Prosecutor
  - 19 investigations section. If you look at the second page of that
- 12:25:58 20 interview, 21936, two paragraphs from the bottom there are two
  - 21 short paragraphs at the bottom of the page. The first of those
  - 22 two short paragraphs says this:
  - "After JJ" that's you obviously "had spent a lot of
  - 24 time around the RUF (two years), his own chief from his village
- 12:26:24 25 allowed JJ to be conscripted to the RUF rebel cause because the
  - 26 chiefs were under pressure to provide young men to the RUF for
  - 27 training to increase their manpower."
  - 28 Did you say that?
  - 29 A. No, sir, I cannot remember giving that particular statement

- 1 like that, that was why I made a correction later when it was
- 2 read to me.
- 3 Q. When do you say you made the correction later?
- 4 A. I can remember there were interviews after this particular
- 12:27:04 5 statement you are referring to here.
  - 6 Q. There were many interviews of you, particularly during the
  - 7 earlier part of this year, but go back, if you would, to 2006
  - 8 when you were nearer to the events that you were having to
  - 9 remember and explain to us, if you can, what it was you said in
- 12:27:36 10 2006 about your involvement with the RUF?
  - 11 A. Are you referring to what I said to them at that time, or
  - 12 now?
  - 13 Q. What you said to them then. You've told us that the two
  - 14 passages I've read out, one from February and the next one from
- 12:28:06 15 July of 2006, are both wrong, you never said that to the
  - 16 Prosecutors. Tell the Court what you did say to the Prosecutors
  - 17 about those first two years, '91 to '93.
  - 18 A. I only made them understand that when the rebels met me in
  - 19 1991 in my village I spent few months with them and later on I -
- 12:28:37 20 about three months I was sent to the training base in Pendembu
  - 21 and later on we graduated from there and I was sent to the front
  - 22 line. That was where I spent about a week and came back and
  - 23 became a G2. You know, I told you people that two days ago.
  - 24 Q. Can you think of any reason why the investigators got it so
- 12:29:02 25 wrong both in February and in July when you were explaining to
  - them your history with the RUF in those first two years?
  - 27 A. Yes. In terms of the area where they were talking about,
  - 28 to be specific about a particular time, I told them, you know,
  - 29 that the record at that particular I was not keeping a record

- of the timing at that particular time to be given, how do they
- 2 call it, to an investigator at that particular time. But I can
- 3 only remember some time sometimes the year within the period a
- 4 specific a certain thing happened, but to explain in detail
- 12:29:50 5 what exactly happened, I said no, I cannot, I don't have that
  - 6 memory to remember all those things. This was what exactly I was
  - 7 telling them.
  - 8 Q. Mr Jaward, in July of 2006 the passage I've read there
  - 9 doesn't mention the years, the dates. It simply says:
- 12:30:10 10 "After JJ had spent a lot of time around the RUF (two
  - 11 years) his own chief from his village allowed him to be
  - 12 conscripted to the RUF."
  - 13 A. This is exactly what I'm saying.
  - 14 Q. Hold on a minute. Let me now ask the question. You
- 12:30:33 15 clearly told those investigators that you'd spent a lot of time
  - 16 around the RUF, but not as a member, for two years, didn't you?
  - 17 A. No, sir.
  - 18 Q. That's the truth and they have written down what you said
  - 19 accurately, haven't they?
- 12:30:59 20 A. No, sir, at this particular time they were asking questions
  - 21 and I was explaining. I was not going with the life story
  - 22 chronol ogi cal I y.
  - 23 Q. What else does "spent a lot of time around the RUF (two
  - years)" mean, before being conscripted?
- 12:31:25 25 A. This is what I'm saying. I do not remember saying spent a
  - lot of time with the RUF for two years before conscripting me.
  - 27 Q. You see, it's completely consistent. Your comment that
  - 28 they've recorded in July is completely consistent with what they
  - 29 recorded you saying in February, isn't it: That you lived behind

- 1 the rebel lines as a civilian from '91 to '93 and were used
- 2 occasionally, periodically, as a labourer during that time? Do
- 3 you agree that those two passages that I've read are consistent
- 4 with one another?
- 12:32:07 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. Thank you. Now, staying on tab 1 on that same page 16537,
  - 7 if you count these bullet points down can we go to point 5, "In
  - 8 1993 started arms training." Did you tell them that?
  - 9 A. No, sir.
- 12:32:37 10 Q. So how do you think they've managed to record that if you
  - 11 didn't tell it to them?
  - 12 A. I can remember this particular paragraph that you're
  - 13 referring to here, you know, when they said can I go on,
  - 14 please? I can remember this particular paragraph. When they
- 12:33:08 15 read it to me I told them, I said I only became active in
  - 16 fighting in late 1993 when we were pushed in the bush, where no
  - 17 administration was running. That was what I made them to
  - 18 understand at that particular armed issue in 1993.
  - 19 Q. Well, I asked you, when I started questioning you
- 12:33:33 20 yesterday, when you started arms training and you gave us a
  - 21 period of time in 1991.
  - 22 A. Yes, sir, armed training and to use arms to go on attacks,
  - 23 so to go fighting are two issues. You asked me about "when you
  - took the arm and started arms training" and that was in 1991 at
- 12:34:01 25 the Pendembu training base.
  - 26 Q. And yet you've told them something different when you were
  - interviewed in February 2006, haven't you?
  - 28 A. I don't think I just decided to give them something
  - 29 different. That was the misunderstanding at that time. We did

- 1 not understand they do not understand exactly what I meant by
- 2 some of my statements that I was giving to them until later on
- 3 that I had to make the correction. That was when they understood
- 4 what exactly I meant.
- 12:34:46 5 Q. You didn't have any arms training in 1991 then. Is that
  - 6 what you're saying?
  - 7 A. I said the training we took in 1991 at the Pendembu
  - 8 training base also included arms training. You cannot go on
  - 9 ambushes or attacks without arms at that particular time. These
- 12:35:10 10 were the tools used to go on these missions.
  - 11 Q. Where it says, "In 1993 started arms training", again is
  - 12 consistent with you not becoming part of the RUF until 1993,
  - 13 isn't it?
  - 14 A. No, sir, I have never confirmed that, sir.
- 12:35:34 15 Q. I'm not asking you if you've confirmed it. I'm asking you
  - do you agree that "1993 started arms training" is consistent with
  - 17 you not joining the RUF until 1993, isn't it?
  - 18 A. No, sir.
  - 19 Q. And this is where your cousin Noriega comes in, isn't it?
- 12:36:00 20 You told this Court in your evidence-in-chief that Noriega
  - 21 offered you some sort of protection because he was an active RUF
  - 22 member. Do you remember saying that? Noriega, also known as
  - 23 Kaifa Wai.
  - 24 A. Yes, sir, my cousin was Noriega, Kaifa Wai.
- 12:36:32 25 Q. That's why you weren't actually forced by your chief to
  - join them for the first couple of years, isn't it; because you
  - 27 enjoyed his protection?
  - 28 A. No, sir.
  - 29 Q. Were you ever an active fighter in the RUF?

- 1 A. Well, I took part in some attacks but not as a real front
- 2 line combatant, sir.
- 3 Q. So you weren't an active fighter?
- 4 A. No, sir.
- 12:37:26 5 Q. Now, you also told us during this period about operation
  - 6 Top 20 and you said that Pa James Karway replaced Dopoe
  - 7 Menkarzon. Do you remember telling us that?
  - 8 A. Yes, sir, I told them in the first statement that I gave in
  - 9 relation to Top 20, sir.
- 12:38:00 10 Q. Right. Have a look, please, tab 1, page 16539, and again
  - 11 we'll count down the bullet points to number 4. Do you see
  - 12 number 4 that starts, "Also stated that CT was in charge"? Do
  - 13 you see that? Just tell me when you've got that bullet point.
  - 14 Have you got that, Mr Jaward?
- 12:38:48 15 A. Which of the bullet points, sir, on my screen?
  - 16 Q. It's probably easier if you put your finger on the page and
  - 17 count down to the fourth one. I'm afraid unfortunately these
  - 18 notes don't have paragraph numbers. Do you see that?
  - 19 A. Yes, sir, "Also stated that CT was in charge". Yes, sir.
- 12:39:15 20 Q. All right. Read out what that says, if you would.
  - 21 A. "Also stated that CT was in charge because of the instance
  - 22 of the Top 20 between Liberian RUF and the Sierra Leone RUF
  - 23 fighters was resolved only after CT sent a delegation of his
  - 24 bodyguards from Gbarnga with Foday Sankoh to arrest the commander
- 12:39:46 25 (James Karway) who was the main man replaced by Dopoe Menkarzon
  - 26 from the Executive Mansion from Gbarnga."
  - 27 Q. In other words, you were telling the Prosecutors back in
  - 28 February 2006, two and a half years closer to these events, that
  - 29 it was Dopoe Menkarzon who replaced James Karway and not the

- 1 other way round. That's right, isn't it?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. Do you agree that you told them that?
- 4 A. Yes, sir, I remember I told them this before.
- 12:40:33 5 Q. Now, you were taken through this set of interview notes, I
  - 6 suggest, line by line, because if we turn to tab 3, page 25969
  - again, where you are being asked to go through that interview,
  - 8 two thirds of the way down the page, or halfway down the page we
  - 9 get to page 3 of those interview notes and you change the
- 12:41:24 10 spelling of "Whileflower" to White Flower. You change "Essa
  - 11 Sesay" to Issa Sesay. You change "James Cowin" to "James Kawea",
  - 12 Pa James. Do you see that?
  - 13 A. Yes, sir.
  - 14 Q. And below that you change "Depae Maekason" to "Dopoe
- 12:42:00 15 Mekazon". Do you see that?
  - 16 A. Yes, sir.
  - 17 Q. And indeed you change a name on the line below that. We
  - 18 can see you change a name from "Jibbao" to "Jibbah", yes?
  - 19 A. Yes, sir, this was how it was read to me and I said, "This
- 12:42:21 20 is not exactly what I meant by these pronunciations." That was
  - 21 the time they started asking me to spell them the way I knew how
  - 22 to spell them my own way.
  - 23 Q. Yes, they were reading out what you'd written, weren't
  - 24 they, so that you could clarify and correct what was in the first
- 12:42:41 25 interview notes? Do you agree?
  - 26 A. Come back with that question, sir, please.
  - 27 Q. In November 2006 they were reading out line by line the
  - 28 contents of the interview notes from February of 2006 so that you
  - 29 could clarify, make corrections and change some of what was in

- 1 those notes, do you agree?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. And in November you didn't tell them, did you, that it was
- 4 the wrong way round and that it was Pa James Karway who came to
- 12:43:41 5 replace Dopoe Menkarzon?
  - 6 A. Well, as I told you earlier, before we even came to
  - 7 understand I mean, I had to know before I knew that this
  - 8 particular documents were written like this, like the spellings
  - 9 we are talking of here, certain issues were like this, after the
- 12:44:07 10 first and second interviews with them I started to know that this
  - 11 was a record that was very important to them and so I myself
  - 12 started recalling really to give them chronologically how it
  - 13 went. So when I saw these spellings I knew that these were not
  - 14 the spellings and I made the corrections. It was not like I had
- 12:44:30 15 to make suggestions to them, sir.
  - 16 Q. Mr Jaward, do you understand I'm suggesting it wasn't just
  - 17 spellings that you were being asked to review. It was the whole
  - 18 of the contents of that interview. You were being asked to
  - 19 correct anything that was wrong in the notes of that first
- 12:44:49 20 interview, weren't you?
  - 21 A. No, sir, they did not ask me to make any correction, but
  - 22 whenever they wanted to they came to me for any order, I mean
  - 23 anything like they used to prepare, because always they said they
  - 24 were preparing us for the trial. The trial --
- 12:45:14 25 Q. Mr Jaward, concentrate on the November interview, please,
  - 26 not whenever. We're looking at the November interview under the
  - 27 heading "Interview clarifications of a" well, "statement" is
  - 28 incorrect, but interview clarifications of the February 2006
  - 29 notes.

- 1 A. This is what I'm saying here. The date on this statement
- 2 is what I am trying to take to defend what I'm saying here now,
- 3 but I want to say exactly the experience I gained during those
- 4 interviews because I cannot remember, even in this November
- 12:45:49 5 you're referring to, whether this was the time this interview was
  - 6 done except from the date. So I only want to share how I was -
  - 7 how things were going on with those that I was meeting at that
  - 8 particular time.
  - 9 Q. I will ask you for the last time. Do you agree that in
- 12:46:08 10 November of 2006, in an interview conducted by Alain Werner and
  - 11 Alfred Sesay, you were taken line by line through the notes of
  - 12 the first interview you had with the Prosecution for you to
  - 13 correct anything that was wrong, either fact or spelling? Do you
  - 14 agree, yes or no?
- 12:46:39 15 A. I remember an interview like that happened, but I can't
  - 16 remember whether it was on that date or time that you're
  - 17 referring to.
  - 18 Q. Staying on page 25969, if you go to the fourth correction
  - 19 from the top, page 2, the fourth paragraph/point, "Instead of
- 12:47:00 20 'over the radio' should be 'over the satellite phone'". Do you
  - 21 see that correction?
  - 22 A. Yes, sir.
  - 23 Q. That's not a spelling correction, is it?
  - 24 A. Are you referring to yes, sir, that's not a spelling
- 12:47:38 **25** correction, sir.
  - 26 Q. They must have read out the whole interview to you for you
  - 27 to make that correction, mustn't they?
  - 28 A. Exactly, sir. They read it to me so that I can confirm.
  - 29 Q. Right. And at no time in November did you change the

- 1 account, that I suggest you gave them probably accurately, that
- 2 you did not join the RUF for the first two years but were
- 3 utilised periodically by them, because that's the truth, isn't
- 4 it?
- 12:48:26 5 A. No, sir.
  - 6 Q. I want to move on now to the question of ULIMO and Lofa
  - 7 County. Now, you told us in your evidence that the entire border
  - 8 the Liberian-Sierra Leone entire border was closed in
  - 9 mid-1993. What you said was that you heard that it was closed by
- 12:49:01 10 mid-1993. Transcript of 9 July, page 13288, for anyone who wants
  - 11 it. I'm not asking for it to be shown as such. Her Honour
  - 12 Justice Sebutinde asked you what you meant, "Did you hear in
  - 13 mid-1993 that it was closed, or was it closed by mid-1993?" Now,
  - 14 Let me just put this to you. If you heard by mid-1993 that the
- 12:49:36 15 entire border was closed then it follows that it must have been
  - 16 closed by mid-1993 or before that, do you agree?
  - 17 A. I do not understand the question clearly.
  - 18 Q. I will put it in a different way. When you gave that
  - 19 answer that, "I heard that the entire border was closed in
- 12:50:12 20 mid-1993", if what you meant by that was, "It was in mid-1993"
  - 21 that I heard that the entire border was closed", then the border
  - 22 must have been closed by that time or possibly before. Do you
  - 23 agree with that?
  - 24 A. No, sir. What I meant by that in that statement was that
- 12:50:38 25 when I said mid-1993, that was around the rainy season that I was
  - 26 in Kailahun. When we heard of ULIMO going along the border as
  - 27 far as Mendekoma, that was what I meant by closing the border
  - 28 from RUF's contact with the NPFL.
  - 29 Q. 13288, transcript of 9 July, line 28, "Well, I heard of

- 1 them finally closing the entire border post in mid-1993 when I
- 2 was in Kailahun." What is unclear about that? Either you heard
- 3 in mid-1993 of them finally closing the entire border post, or it
- 4 was closed the entire border post was closed in mid-1993.
- 12:51:52 5 That's correct, isn't it?
  - 6 A. No, sir, I said I heard of the ULIMO taking over the entire
  - 7 border when I was in 1993 during the rainy season which I
  - 8 approximated to be mid-1993.
  - 9 Q. Thank you. So they have taken over the entire border by
- 12:52:26 10 the rainy season, that's to say mid-1993, do you agree?
  - 11 A. Well the border in this sense we are referring to here, I
  - 12 was talking about the link between the RUF and the NPFL at that
  - 13 time the ULIMO had already intercepted that as far as Lofa
  - 14 County. That was what I was that is what I was referring to in
- 12:53:11 15 this case.
  - 16 Q. What does the word "entire" mean when you say it?
  - 17 A. I meant in this case the presence of ULIMO-K was already in
  - 18 all the counties along the Liberian border on the Liberian side.
  - 19 Q. "Finally closing the entire border post." What does
- 12:53:43 20 "closing" mean when it is connected with "entire border post"
  - 21 when you say it?
  - 22 A. I think the point where you've been asking me questions
  - 23 about the past statements came in again in this case. What I'm
  - 24 really saying in this case is I'm not referring to a specific
- 12:54:03 25 border point that had to be closed down, but the link to cross
  - 26 into Gbarnga was at that time, you know, closed I mean was
  - 27 intercepted by the ULIMO in Liberia. That means there was no
  - 28 access for the RUF to easily pass to get to NPFL territory. This
  - 29 was what I meant in that case.

- 1 Q. You weren't a member of ULIMO, were you, by any chance?
- THE INTERPRETER: Your Honour, can counsel kindly repeat
- 3 his question, please.
- 4 MR MUNYARD:
- 12:54:36 5 Q. You weren't a member of ULIMO, were you?
  - 6 A. No, sir.
  - THE INTERPRETER: Your Honour, can counsel kindly repeat
  - 8 his question.
  - 9 MR MUNYARD:
- 12:54:46 10 Q. You were not a member of ULIMO, were you?
  - 11 A. Yes, sir.
  - 12 MR MUNYARD: I'm afraid that's another one:
  - 13 Q. Are you agreeing that you were a member of ULIMO? Are you
  - 14 saying that you were a member of ULIMO?
- 12:55:03 15 A. No, sir.
  - 16 Q. Right. You told us that before the RUF retreated to the
  - 17 Liberian border you had heard of the advancement of ULIMO-K
  - 18 fighters in Liberia. Do you remember saying that?
  - 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 12:55:26 20 Q. You know that Varmuyan Sherif was a member of ULIMO, don't
  - 21 you?
  - 22 A. I only came to know that later on, not at the time that the
  - 23 ULIMO was advancing towards the Lofa region, sir.
  - 24 Q. No, I'm not suggesting that you did in 1993, but you've
- 12:55:48 25 | learnt since that he was actually a member of ULIMO. ULIMO-K did
  - 26 not exist in 1993, did it?
  - 27 A. No, sir, I heard of ULIMO-K in when Vahun was first
  - 28 captured going along the border towards Foya. That is the group
  - 29 that was fighting along that border. It was ULIMO-K of Alhaji

- 1 Kromah.
- 2 Q. So why did you tell us last week that ULIMO-K fighters had
- 3 occupied the whole of the Liberian border in Lofa County in 1993?
- 4 A. Well when I talked about 1993, this was almost in
- 12:56:41 5 November/December when RUF was pushed in the jungle.
  - 6 Q. Are you saying that ULIMO-K existed in November of 1993?
  - 7 A. Yes, sir.
  - 8 Q. Mr Jaward, we've heard evidence from Varmuyan Sherif that
  - 9 ULIMO-K did not come into existence until around 1994/1995. I
- 12:57:10 10 suggest --
  - 11 A. Well --
  - 12 Q. I suggest to you that your account of ULIMO and the border
  - 13 with Lofa County in 1993 is something that you've simply heard
  - 14 from other people and do not have any particularly precise
- 12:57:27 15 knowledge of, would you agree?
  - 16 A. Well, what I am trying to tell you here now, I am not
  - 17 speaking after somebody, or what somebody has believed what
  - 18 happened in his own case, but I want to make this point clear to
  - 19 you that even along the border at that time, 1993 I mean 1993
- 12:57:56 20 ending when we were in that jungle, there was infighting between
  - 21 the RUF and the ULIMOs that were along that border and ULIMOs
  - 22 were captured and they told us exactly what organisation they
  - 23 were fighting for.
  - 24 Q. And did they capture you?
- 12:58:17 25 A. Well, I was not captured, I was met by the RUF.
  - 26 Q. No, I'm talking about ULIMO. You've told us that ULIMOs
  - 27 were captured I'm sorry. They were captured by the RUF you're
  - 28 telling us, ULIMOs? Yes?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Witness, what do you mean you were met
- 2 by the RUF? You were not captured, you were met by the RUF. I'm
- 3 not sure I understand.
- 4 THE WITNESS: He asked the question whether I was captured.
- 12:58:56 5 I said no, I was only met by RUF, but I was not captured by RUF -
  - 6 by any other faction, I mean.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: And I asked what do you mean by you were
  - 8 met by RUF? What do you mean?
  - 9 THE WITNESS: They met us in the village. It was not like
- 12:59:16 10 I was fighting with them and they captured me. This is what I
  - 11 mean. Like two forces are fighting and your enemy captures you.
  - 12 We were in our village and they met us.
  - MR MUNYARD: Would a time frame help your Honour to
  - 14 understand what this means?
- 12:59:32 15 Q. When do you say you were met by the RUF?
  - 16 A. Well, that "met" that you are talking about that capture
  - 17 that you are talking about, I've just referred you to when I was
  - 18 in contact with the first warring faction, which is the RUF in
  - 19 1991.
- 12:59:51 20 Q. '91, right. You may not now remember, you told us last
  - 21 week that you were captured by the RUF. Do you remember that?
  - 22 A. I think that day a question came about what I meant by
  - 23 capture and I made you I made the Court to understand on that
  - 24 day, sir, that it was not like what I meant by capture, it was
- 13:00:16 25 not like we were fighting an enemy, enemy against enemy and they
  - 26 got hold of me, but they met us in our village as civilians.
  - 27 That was what I meant. That was what I referred to in that case
  - 28 as met I mean captured.
  - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Interpreter, the expression "met" has

- 1 a particular Krio meaning. Could you please translate it into
- 2 English.
- 3 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, the witness is using
- 4 Liberian English, not Krio. He said that was the time he was
- 13:00:55 5 met.
  - 6 PRESIDING JUDGE: When he uses the word "met" is he are
  - 7 you saying that's a Liberian English word?
  - 8 THE INTERPRETER: That's what he using, Liberian English,
  - 9 your Honour.
- 13:01:09 10 PRESIDING JUDGE: Can we have it translated from Liberian
  - 11 English into standard English.
  - 12 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honour, that's our own difficulty
  - 13 now translating. It's an English word "met".
  - MR MUNYARD: Your Honours, I'm going to try asking the
- 13:01:27 15 question in English and then listening to the witness's answer
  - 16 without the benefit of an interpreter:
  - 17 Q. Mr Jaward, what do you mean by you were met by the RUF?
  - 18 A. We were in our village, they moved from their various
  - 19 locations at that time from Pendembu and they met us in our
- 13:01:47 20 village. This is what I mean in this case.
  - 21 Q. So you're now saying you were not captured by them, is that
  - 22 right?
  - 23 A. Capture in what I have defined here, I said I was not
  - 24 fighting and they captured me, but they met me.
- 13:02:10 25 Q. Were you ever captured by the RUF at any time in the whole
  - of the war?
  - 27 A. No, sir, that capture I'm still defining here never
  - 28 happened to me, like fighting against somebody and they captured
  - 29 me.

- 1 Q. Have you suggested to anyone that you were captured by the
- 2 RUF at any time?
- 3 A. No, sir. RUF never recaptured me.
- 4 JUDGE LUSSICK: Mr Munyard, this expression "they met me"
- 13:02:46 5 has still left me in the dark as to what was the significance of
  - 6 that occurrence. Mr Witness, when you say the RUF met you, what
  - 7 was the consequences of that meeting? What I mean by that is
  - 8 after meeting the RUF did you go your way and they went theirs,
  - 9 or did something happen because you met them?
- 13:03:17 10 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. Let me just explain a short story.
  - 11 JUDGE LUSSICK: No, let's not go into a short story. I
  - 12 just want to know what you mean when you say you met the RUF.
  - 13 What does that expression mean? Does it mean that you just said
  - 14 hello to one another and you went home and they went about their
- 13:03:40 15 business, or tell me what happened when you met the RUF?
  - 16 THE WITNESS: Okay, let me say it again. When we heard of
  - 17 this RUF at that time well, I did not know whether they were
  - 18 RUF that these rebels were coming, we were in our village.
  - 19 Unexpectedly they came how can I put it again? They met us in
- 13:04:06 20 the village and we became part of them because they gave us
  - 21 conditions that we cannot escape from them any more. Then I
  - 22 remained under them up to that moment that I was explaining.
  - 23 This was what I meant.
  - 24 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Are you saying, Mr Witness, at that stage
- 13:04:23 25 you voluntarily joined them?
  - 26 THE WITNESS: No, sir. No, ma'am.
  - 27 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: How would you describe your joining them
  - 28 if it wasn't voluntary?
  - 29 THE WITNESS: Well, let me just put it that way. When we

- 1 look at this thing at this thing like capture is what exactly
- 2 happened to me, well, I was captured, but it was not voluntary
- 3 like I was willing to join them, you see. If captured is the
- 4 correct word to be used in that sense, as I have made the
- 13:05:04 5 description here I think I was captured, because they met us and
  - 6 unwillingly we had to stay with them.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Witness, I think I do catch your drift
  - 8 probably.
  - 9 MR MUNYARD:
- 13:05:23 10 Q. Mr Jaward, yesterday, transcript page 13649, line 23, I
  - 11 asked you:
  - "Q. Are you saying you had been captured by the RUF at
  - 13 some time in 1991?
  - 14 A. Yes, sir."
- 13:05:49 15 Do you remember saying that?
  - 16 A. Yes, sir.
  - 17 Q. And were you ever caught by them again?
  - 18 A. No, sir.
  - 19 Q. Have you ever told anybody that you were caught by the RUF
- 13:06:07 20 at any later stage?
  - 21 A. I have not told anybody that the RUF captured me in any
  - 22 condition, sir.
  - 23 MR MUNYARD: Tab 1, page 16537, please. Madam Court
  - 24 Officer, if you could focus in on the bottom of the page. It's
- 13:06:49 25 the last bullet point on the page that actually has writing next
  - 26 to it:
  - 27 Q. I'm just going to read this out to you, Mr Jaward, which is
  - 28 what the Prosecution recorded you as telling them in that first
  - 29 interview:

- 1 "In 1998 fled to a refugee camp in Nahun" which you later
- 2 corrected to Vahun when this was read back to you "in Liberia,
- 3 but after two weeks in there had to go back to search for family
- 4 left behind rebel lines in Lailahun" which you later corrected
- 13:07:27 5 to Kailahun when it was all read back to you. "At that time was
  - 6 caught by the RUF and was taken and remained with the RUF at
  - 7 Buedu where Sam Bockarie was based."
  - 8 Did you tell the prosecuting investigators, Mr Cunningham
  - 9 and Mr Sesay, that?
- 13:07:56 10 A. No, sir. If they were talking about capture in the sense
  - 11 you are referring to here, that was not how I met them again. I
  - 12 was never recaptured by them. I had been with them before and I
  - only went back to see how my family was doing amongst them at
  - 14 that time, because everybody was on the run and they were there,
- 13:08:24 15 they did not go anywhere, they still maintained that position.
  - 16 So to say I went and was recaptured, I don't understand that
  - 17 statement.
  - 18 Q. You see I suggest to you, Mr Jaward, that the longer you
  - 19 spent with the Prosecution and the more money you got, the more
- 13:08:41 20 your story changed to fit the line that you knew they wanted. Do
  - 21 you agree?
  - 22 A. No, sir. I don't even feel that my time with the
  - 23 Prosecution my stay with them encouraged me too much, because I
  - 24 have to stay with my family independently instead of being
- 13:09:11 25 controlled by somebody else.
  - 26 Q. In 1998 did you flee to a refugee camp in Vahun in Liberia?
  - 27 A. I crossed over to Vahun, but I did not register as a
  - 28 refugee.
  - 29 Q. Did you go to the refugee camp in Vahun?

- 1 A. No, sir.
- 2 Q. So how on earth could the investigators have recorded you
- 3 as saying that and you then not correct that when it's all read
- 4 back to you line by line, word by word, in November of 2006? Can
- 13:09:55 5 you explain how they could have got it so wrong and you failed to
  - 6 correct it when it was read back to you later that year?
  - 7 A. I only made him to understand that Vahun was where they had
  - 8 the refugee camp, but I never went and registered as a refugee at
  - 9 that particular time. So I did not consider myself to be a
- 13:10:18 10 refugee at that time.
  - 11 Q. He does not say that you registered as a refugee. He says,
  - "In 1998 fled to a refugee camp in Vahun", but after two weeks
  - 13 "had to go back to search for family". Did you spend two weeks
  - 14 at the refugee camp?
- 13:10:42 15 A. No, sir, but I spent over a week, but not completely two
  - 16 weeks.
  - 17 Q. At the refugee camp in Vahun?
  - 18 A. We were in the town. I was not in the camp. I was in the
  - 19 town.
- 13:11:03 20 Q. What did you tell him that has led him to write that down?
  - 21 A. I told him that at the time my father died in Gohun, at
  - 22 that time the juntas were on the pull out, so because of the
  - 23 ECOMOG air raid that was taking place around that area, as far as
  - 24 Daru, I decided to escape from the tension. We crossed over to
- 13:11:35 25 Vahun and when I observed the situation I decided to go over and
  - 26 bring my mother and my wife to the refugee camp in Vahun. So
  - 27 from there I went to Buedu at that time. I did not have the
  - 28 chance for me to bring them over again and I still remained there
  - 29 to work as RUF.

- 1 Q. The truth is that when the RUF was under pressure in 1993
- 2 you disappeared from your job with the G2 and reappeared
- 3 somewhere else and joined the military police and when they're
- 4 under pressure again in 1998 you flee again initially to a
- 13:12:20 5 refugee camp and then go back to look for your family, but got
  - 6 caught by the RUF a second time. That's the truth, isn't it?
  - 7 A. Well if you refer to that as captured, that when I met them
  - 8 I stayed with them again, then I don't have any other way to
  - 9 define my contact with them again at that particular time
- 13:12:49 10 because, you know, for me to define exactly the situation what
  - 11 you mean by capture, I don't know. And if you refer to 1993, my
  - moving my movement from G2 to MP, 1993 was not the time I moved
  - 13 from G2 to MP. It was in early 1992, after the Top 20, that I
  - 14 joined the G2 I mean the MP at Manowa Ferry.
- 13:13:20 15 Q. I apologise if I got the year wrong, but I think you
  - 16 already told us yesterday that the RUF was under pressure at that
  - 17 time and indeed you wanted these are not your precise words,
  - 18 but I think you'll agree with me, you wanted to get away from the
  - 19 pressure. Do you agree?
- 13:13:43 20 A. The pressure I was referring to, I was not referring to
  - 21 1993. I was referring to early 1992 after the Top 20.
  - 22 Q. Thank you. You do agree there was pressure. Back to page
  - 23 16537 and that last bullet point, the final words on that page,
  - 24 "At that time was caught by the RUF." What did you tell the
- 13:14:10 25 investigators that led them to write that down?
  - 26 A. Which of the areas are you referring to in this?
  - 27 Q. The passage that I just read to you, "At that time was
  - 28 caught by the RUF". Let me put a proposition to you, Mr Jaward.
  - 29 The investigator has clearly written down "at that time was

- 1 caught by the RUF". The most obvious explanation for that is
- 2 that that is what you told him. Do you agree that that's the
- 3 most obvious explanation for him recording that?
- 4 A. I don't agree with that statement that I went back to the
- 13:15:22 5 RUF for them to recapture me.
  - 6 Q. Do you agree that you said that to Mr David Cunningham and
  - 7 Mr Alfred Sesay?
  - 8 A. From what I understand from the sentence here, I don't
  - 9 remember giving them this statement with the understanding I am
- 13:15:45 10 giving to you now.
  - 11 Q. All right, we've moved on a little in time. I want to
  - 12 stick with '92, '93 and ULIMO for the time being. Where were
  - 13 ULIMO formed?
  - 14 A. I don't know the exact history of ULIMO, but I knew that
- 13:16:16 15 they were fighting along the Liberian border at that time when we
  - 16 were in jungle on the Liberian side.
  - 17 Q. Who was supporting ULIMO? And by "supporting" I don't just
  - 18 mean flag waving. I mean who was giving them logistics?
  - 19 A. I don't know where they were getting their supplies from or
- 13:16:40 20 who was supporting them, but I heard their Leader was one Alhaji
  - 21 Kromah.
  - 22 Q. Well, their leader was Alhaji Kromah later when they split.
  - Do you know when they split?
  - 24 A. I don't know much about ULIMO-K as far as their
- 13:17:01 25 administration was concerned.
  - 26 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, my Learned friend after asking a
  - 27 question about supplies sources of supply for ULIMO and the
  - 28 witness says he does not know, my learned friend makes a
  - 29 statement the witness says he only knew that Alhaji Kromah was

- 1 their leader and my learned friend says, "Well, their leader was
- 2 Alhaji Kromah later when they split. Do you know when they
- 3 split?" Your Honours, that statement is not in itself a
- 4 question. Is it a statement from counsel into the record as
- 13:17:38 5 evi dence?
  - 6 MR MUNYARD: I'll put it in the form of a question. I take
  - 7 my learned friend's point:
  - 8 Q. Do you know who the leader of ULIMO was before they split
  - 9 into various factions?
- 13:17:59 10 A. I don't know about them. I don't know about that, sir.
  - 11 Q. The truth is you don't know very much about ULIMO until you
  - 12 started arms dealing with them in the mid-1990s. That's right,
  - 13 isn't it?
  - 14 A. They were those along the border were selling arms to us.
- 13:18:20 15 We were not the ones giving arms to them.
  - 16 Q. I'm not suggesting you were giving arms to them. Was there
  - 17 any stage at which the RUF were fighting alongside ULIMO?
  - 18 A. Yes, sir. Sorry, RUF was not fighting alongside ULIMO
  - 19 anywhere that I know of.
- 13:18:50 20 Q. Who was General Fayah?
  - 21 A. The only General Fayah that I heard of later, almost 1994,
  - 22 when we were pushed into the jungle, was one of the NPFL fighters
  - $^{23}$  whom ULIMO had separated and cut off from the others and he had
  - 24 crossed over to Sierra Leone on our side. That is the General
- 13:19:30 25 Fayah that I can remember those days during the war.
  - 26 Q. And when you say, "He was on our side", do you mean he was
  - 27 fighting with the RUF?
  - 28 A. The time the time I am talking about is that Fayah never
  - 29 came to cooperate and fight alongside the RUF, but when ULIMO

- 1 crossed over and they captured Foya and they came as far as
- 2 Mendekoma, which is on the border, he was pushed into his own
- 3 jungle which was closer to our own jungle because we were all on
- 4 the same borderline, but he later left and went through Guinea
- 13:20:18 5 and went later to Liberia. That was the time Jungle remained as
  - 6 commander for those who stayed behind.
  - 7 Q. And can you give us a time frame for that, please? Is that
  - 8 almost 1994?
  - 9 A. Yes, sir. I came to know about this General Fayah after we
- 13:20:42 10 had spent about a month two months in the jungle actually.
  - 11 That was the that is the time I know about. That was why I was
  - 12 referring to the early 1994, because we were pushed into the
  - jungle in 1993, December, so I came to know about him two months
  - 14 Later.
- 13:21:08 15 Q. Tab 11, please, paragraph number 2. This is a proofing or
  - 16 prepping session that took place with you on 3 March this year.
  - 17 Paragraph 2 reads:
  - 18 "NPFL General Fayah was pushed to the border by ULIMO. He
  - 19 remained just across the border in the Mendekoma area. He
- 13:22:06 20 sometimes harassed the RUF who were in the area to do business
  - 21 with the Guineans."
  - 22 Did you tell the Prosecution that?
  - 23 A. Yes, sir. I explained about General Fayah, who was at that
  - 24 time pushed across the Sierra Leone border, but before he finally
- 13:22:30 25 came to our area he his point, the Kondo crossing point after
  - 26 Mendekoma was where we used to go and do business and they used
  - 27 to harass the RUF at that time before he finally crossed over to
  - 28 Guinea I mean Liberia.
  - 29 Q. So why was the NPFL in 1994 harassing the RUF?

- 1 A. You know, the NPFL in this case was not like when I say
- 2 NPFL at that time, we are not referring to the NPFL generally
- 3 harassing RUF. These were individual NPFL men who had even set
- 4 such an example before in Sierra Leone, so it was not a
- 13:23:31 5 surprising thing to me.
  - 6 Q. Were you amongst those who were harassed by General Fayah?
  - 7 A. No, sir.
  - 8 Q. So how do you know this particular piece of information?
  - 9 A. When people left to go and do this business and when they
- 13:24:02 10 returned and brought information, it was not something secret.
  - 11 Everybody knew that people were stopped by General Fayah from
  - 12 going there and so it was not something that was a secret. Those
  - 13 who returned came with the information.
  - 14 Q. So this was another story that you were given by other
- 13:24:21 15 people, yes?
  - 16 A. Yes, sir, this was a story because it did not happen to me
  - 17 myself directly.
  - 18 Q. What business were the RUF doing with the Guineans?
  - 19 A. Well at that particular time we referred to such a business
- 13:24:43 20 as a barter system of exchange, so, you know can I go ahead?
  - 21 0. Yes.
  - 22 A. We referred to such a business as a barter system of
  - 23 exchange where the RUF would carry produce, like cocoa or coffee,
  - 24 or sometimes some electrical machines, in exchange for salt and
- 13:25:12 25 other condiments including rice from the Guineans. That was the
  - 26 type of barter system that we were doing.
  - 27 Q. And you were doing that in order to survive and keep your
  - 28 war effort going, is that right?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. And here is a Liberian part of Charles Taylor's
- 2 organisation doing his best to stop the RUF getting those
- 3 supplies, is that right?
- 4 A. Please come back with that question, sir.
- 13:25:53 5 Q. Here is a Liberian part of Charles Taylor's organisation
  - 6 doing his best to stop the RUF getting their vital supplies?
  - 7 A. Yes, sir, those were Charles Taylor's soldiers who were
  - 8 doing that. General Fayah.
  - 9 Q. Now, at what point did the RUF start buying arms and
- 13:26:26 10 ammunition from ULIMO?
  - 11 A. This happened in late 1996 when Sam Bockarie was appointed
  - 12 the battle group commander and there was no way for him to fight
  - against the type of tension that had been mounted over the RUF
  - and the government's troops at that time. That was the time he
- 13:26:58 15 took the risk.
  - 16 Q. And ULIMO, were they still fighting at that stage?
  - 17 A. At this particular time I am referring to with regards the
  - 18 arms transaction between the RUF and the ULIMO, that was the time
  - 19 we heard about disarmament in Liberia between the ULIMO and the
- 13:27:29 20 NPFL and other factions that we heard about in Liberia.
  - 21 Q. Well, just answer the question. Were ULIMO still fighting
  - 22 at that time?
  - 23 A. No, sir, I did not hear about any fighting at that time.
  - 24 MR MUNYARD: Madam President, I don't know if I've got
- 13:27:59 25 enough time to make one more reference to the documents. I think
  - 26 I have.
  - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: We've got about a minute and a half,
  - 28 Mr Munyard.
  - 29 MR MUNYARD: Right:

- 1 Q. Right, tab 4, please, page 26408. This is your interview
- on 1 December 2006 with the investigator Magnus Lamin and
- 3 Shyamala Alagendra in Monrovia and again unfortunately it's not
- 4 paragraph numbers, it's just got bullet points. Would you go to
- 13:28:41 5 the fourth bullet point down, please, from the top of 26408 and
  - 6 it reads:
  - 7 "Witness" that's you "knows one Varmuyan Sherif, but
  - 8 does not know if he had an alias Godfather. He knows him to be
  - 9 one of Charles Taylor's fighters. Witness came to know him some
- 13:29:03 10 time in 1996 when he was fighting for the ULIMO-K."
  - 11 Did you tell the Prosecution that?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir. I told the Prosecution that I knew Varmuyan
  - 13 Sherif as a ULIMO fighter before and later when I saw him as one
  - of Charles Taylor's soldiers in Monrovia and he also came to
- 13:29:37 15 Buedu at one point in time and I saw him.
  - 16 Q. I'm limiting you to the first three lines. Did you tell
  - 17 them that you came to know him some time in 1996 when he was
  - 18 fighting for the ULIMO-K?
  - 19 A. Yes, sir, I told him I told them that I saw him in 1996
- 13:30:02 20 when he was fighting for the ULIMO-K.
  - 21 MR MUNYARD: Right, thank you.
  - 22 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Munyard, I think we're just over our
  - 23 usual time for adjourning for lunch. Mr Witness, we are now
  - 24 going to take the lunchtime adjournment. We will be resuming
- 13:30:18 25 court at 2.30, so please adjourn court until 2.30.
  - 26 [Lunch break taken at 1.30 p.m.]
  - [Upon resuming at 2.30 p.m.]
  - 28 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Munyard, I note another change of
  - 29 appearance.

- 1 MR MUNYARD: Madam President, that is correct. On the
- 2 Defence bench this afternoon there are Courtenay Griffiths QC;
- 3 myself, Terry Munyard; and Morris Anyah.
- 4 PRESIDING JUDGE: Thank you and Prosecution is as before.
- 14:31:23 5 Please proceed.
  - 6 MR MUNYARD:
  - 7 Q. Mr Jaward, you were telling us that you told the
  - 8 Prosecution that you came to know Varmuyan Sherif some time in
  - 9 1996 when he was fighting for ULIMO-K and so he was still
- 14:31:47 10 fighting for ULIMO-K in 1996, was he, Varmuyan Sherif?
  - 11 A. I said he was with them, not directly fighting, but he was
  - 12 with ULIMO-K at that time.
  - 13 Q. No, just before we broke for lunch I asked you if you told
  - 14 them what they had written down and you said, "Yes, sir, I told
- 14:32:19 15 them that I saw him in 1996 when he was fighting for ULIMO-K."
  - 16 It couldn't be much clearer than that, could it, that you agreed
  - 17 you told them that you met him when he was fighting for ULIMO-K
  - 18 in 1996? You told them that presumably because it is true, is
  - 19 that right?
- 14:32:53 20 A. You see, really it is not all statements like those I can
  - 21 agree on from my open understanding and from what I told them. I
  - 22 said I knew him at that time when he was with the ULIMO-K as a
  - 23 ULIMO-K fighter.
  - 24 Q. So have they correctly recorded what you said, or haven't
- 14:33:21 25 they, where it says, "Witness came to know him some time in 1996
  - when he was fighting for the ULIMO-K"? If you can be shown the
  - 27 document again, please. Madam Court Officer, it is tab 4, page
  - 28 26408. Now, have you had an opportunity to look at that sentence
  - 29 again, the one that reads, "Witness came to know him some time in

- 1 1996 when he was fighting for the ULIMO-K"? Have you had an
- 2 opportunity to look at that again?
- 3 A. Yes, I am seeing it on my screen.
- 4 Q. Have they correctly recorded what you told them?
- 14:35:09 5 A. No, sir.
  - 6 Q. So Mr Lamin and Ms Alagendra have not made an accurate note
  - 7 of what you told them, is that so?
  - 8 A. As far as this statement is concerned, you know, that was
  - 9 not what my understanding was at that time.
- 14:35:33 10 Q. Well, did they read back to you the notes of your
  - 11 interview?
  - 12 A. That was the usual process.
  - 13 Q. And did you not correct them?
  - 14 A. I think maybe when you check other documents I made
- 14:36:01 15 corrections on this.
  - 16 Q. No, did you not correct them when you had these notes read
  - 17 back to you at the time that you had been giving them this
  - information, namely on 1 December 2006?
  - 19 A. This is what I am saying. Most of the I mean the
- 14:36:27 20 statements read to me at that particular time, corrections were
  - 21 done.
  - 22 Q. But you didn't correct this particular error?
  - 23 A. You mean the statement that Varmuyan Sherif was with the
  - 24 ULIMO-K at that time in 1996?
- 14:36:52 25 Q. "The witness came to know him some time in 1996 when he was
  - 26 fighting for the ULIMO-K."
  - 27 A. I was not fighting for ULIMO-K.
  - 28 Q. Not you, Varmuyan Sherif?
  - 29 A. Yes, I came to know Varmuyan Sherif that he was with the

- 1 ULIMO-K as one of, in fact, commanders at that time in 1996.
- 2 Q. And how was it you came to know him, Mr Jaward?
- 3 A. I came to know him I mean I knew about Varmuyan Sherif
- 4 during the time we were making these contacts for the arms and
- 14:37:39 5 ammunition. These ULIMO-K fighters who were along the Liberian
  - 6 border were selling were exchanging it to the RUF at that time.
  - 7 Q. And is this while they are also still fighting the NPFL in
  - 8 their own country?
  - 9 A. No, sir. I told you earlier that during the time of this
- 14:38:05 10 transaction between the ULIMO-K and the RUF there was a ceasefire
  - 11 and disarmament was going on in Liberia.
  - 12 Q. Disarmament means handing your arms in to a neutral party
  - 13 such as the United Nations, doesn't it?
  - 14 A. This was what I understood. At this time ECOMOG was
- 14:38:34 15 mentioned, that they were in Liberia.
  - 16 Q. Disarmament doesn't mean selling your weapons for the
  - 17 highest you can get to neighbouring fighters, does it?
  - 18 A. Of course. Disarmament, that was what I understood about
  - 19 disarmament; to give it to a neutral person, not to sell it.
- 14:39:09 20 Q. But Varmuyan Sherif was doing trade in weapons to the RUF
  - 21 when he should have been handing over his arms to the neutral
  - 22 party, yes?
  - 23 A. What I want you to understand in this case again is that
  - 24 when I mentioned Varmuyan Sherif at this time I did not say he
- 14:39:27 25 was bringing the arms and selling it selling them, but I knew
  - 26 that he was one of the fighters with the ULIMO-K at that time
  - 27 because they asked if I knew Varmuyan Sherif before and this was
  - 28 what I said.
  - 29 Q. Yes, what you told us just a moment ago was:

- 1 "I came to know him, Varmuyan Sherif, during the time we
- were making these arms and ammunition. These ULIMO-K fighters
- 3 who were along the Liberian border were selling were exchanging
- 4 it to the RUF at that time."
- 14:40:08 5 Varmuyan Sherif was doing a roaring trade in arms and
  - 6 ammunition to your lot, wasn't he?
  - 7 A. The end of that question is not clear to me really.
  - 8 Q. Varmuyan Sherif was making money by selling his ULIMO
  - 9 weapons to your group, the RUF, wasn't he?
- 14:40:33 10 A. Well, I never knew of any direct transaction with Varmuyan
  - 11 Sherif directly at that particular time, but I knew his name was
  - 12 mentioned among the various commanders within the ULIMO at that
  - 13 time along the border, that he was one of the commanders with the
  - 14 ULIMO. That was why I confirmed that at that time he was with
- 14:40:56 15 ULIMO. It was not that I saw him coming with weapons to sell
  - 16 them to the RUF at that time.
  - 17 Q. Now, while we're on this particular interview in December
  - 18 of 2006, you were being asked on the page that we are looking at
  - 19 about a number of different people and you were asked to give the
- 14:41:25 20 Prosecutors all the information you knew about these names that
  - 21 were put to you. Is that right?
  - 22 A. Which of the names, sir?
  - 23 Q. Well, we will look through the page 26408 starting with the
  - 24 first bullet point. There's a name Gullit and a name Adams in
- 14:41:53 25 the first bullet point. Do you see that?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir.
  - 27 Q. In the second bullet point there is the name of Issa Sesay.
  - 28 Do you see that?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. The third bullet point, you do not know whether
- 2 Sam Bockarie made trips to Liberia in February 1998, yes? And
- 3 then the fourth bullet point you're asked about Varmuyan Sherif,
- 4 the fifth one you are asked about Zigzag Marzah, the seventh one
- 14:42:31 5 you're asked about Daniel aka Jungle, the eighth one you're asked
  - 6 about Joe Tuah and the ninth you're asked about other Liberian
  - 7 commanders and fighters. So on that page the majority of that
  - 8 page is you being asked to comment on names that were put to you.
  - 9 Do you agree?
- 14:42:59 10 A. Yes, sir.
  - 11 Q. Well, let's just deal with Varmuyan Sherif. In the
  - 12 paragraph we are looking at you say you know him, but you don't
  - 13 know if he had the alias Godfather. Did the Prosecution ask you,
  - 14 "Do you know if Varmuyan Sherif is also known as Godfather"?
- 14:43:25 15 A. Yes, sir.
  - 16 Q. Did they ask you what you knew about Varmuyan Sherif and
  - 17 ask you to tell them what you knew about him?
  - 18 A. Yes, sir.
  - 19 Q. You told them that you knew him to be one of Charles
- 14:43:46 20 Taylor's fighters, is that right? Have they recorded that
  - 21 correctly?
  - 22 A. No, sir, that statement is not too clear according to my
  - 23 understanding, sir.
  - 24 Q. So they have got that wrong, have they, where they record
- 14:44:06 25 you as saying, "I know him to be one of Charles Taylor's
  - 26 fighters"?
  - 27 A. Well, as far as I don't know how you would compare the
  - 28 statement that we gave and what is here. My understanding as a
  - 29 Charles Taylor's fighter, I said I came to know him when he was

- 1 with the Charles Taylor government when I went to Liberia. That
- 2 was what I meant about Charles Taylor fighter, not that really he
- 3 was fighting at that time with Charles Taylor. But I met him as
- 4 one of the senior officers with the Charles Taylor government.
- 14:44:44 5 Q. So where they have recorded, "He knows him to be one of
  - 6 Charles Taylor's fighters", that's not what you said. Is that
  - 7 correct?
  - 8 A. Not really. The understanding from this fighting was not
  - 9 what I really meant, that he was like one of his fighters, but he
- 14:45:03 10 was with the government.
  - 11 Q. Right. So you told them what he was doing when you got to
  - 12 know him, yes? They may have recorded it wrongly, but you told
  - 13 them, you say now, what you knew him to be doing when you got to
  - 14 know him?
- 14:45:25 15 A. I said he was one of the senior officers in the Taylor
  - 16 government at the time that I knew him in Monrovia.
  - 17 Q. Next you told them that you had seen him come to Buedu some
  - 18 time in 1998 when he escorted some arms and ammunitions from
  - 19 Liberia to Buedu. That's what they have recorded next. Did you
- 14:45:50 20 tell them that?
  - 21 A. Even here again my understanding here was not me seeing him
  - 22 in person, but I heard of him coming there earlier in February;
  - 23 around February before I came to Buedu from Vahun.
  - 24 Q. Well, it doesn't actually say that you saw him. It simply
- 14:46:12 25 says, "Witness states that Varmuyan Sherif came to Buedu some
  - time in 1998, when he escorted some arms and ammunitions from
  - 27 Liberia to Buedu". Is that what you told them?
  - 28 A. Yes, sir, I never saw them, but I heard the information.
  - 29 Q. That is sufficient. Thank you. And that was really all

- 1 you could tell them about Varmuyan Sherif in December of 2006,
- 2 wasn't it?
- 3 A. I think that was all I could remember really about what I
- 4 said about Varmuyan Sherif really.
- 14:47:13 5 Q. And the very the thing that you had told them immediately
  - 6 preceding this was that you were asked a question about
  - 7 Sam Bockarie making a trip to Liberia in February 1998 and you
  - 8 said that you didn't know whether that had happened, correct?
  - 9 A. Yes, sir, they asked me about this and I said I did not
- 14:47:45 10 know what his mission was at that time in February because I was
  - 11 not there at that time.
  - 12 Q. No, but why didn't you tell them in December 2006 when they
  - 13 are asking you about Sam Bockarie's trips to Liberia in 1998 and
  - 14 Varmuyan Sherif why didn't you tell them that you heard that
- 14:48:10 15 Varmuyan Sherif came to Buedu in 1998 to take Sam Bockarie to
  - 16 Li beri a?
  - 17 A. I said I did not see them directly doing this, but I heard
  - 18 it later on from Sam Bockarie when I came back to Buedu and so
  - 19 that was why I said I cannot explain anything in detail about
- 14:48:36 20 that, but he said he made a trip.
  - 21 Q. We have heard your evidence on that in July of 2008. Why
  - 22 was it, Mr Jaward, that at the very moment when the Prosecution
  - 23 are asking you about Sam Bockarie's trips to Liberia in 1998 and
  - 24 your knowledge of Varmuyan Sherif and his trip to Buedu in 1998
- 14:49:05 25 did you not remember to tell them, "Oh, yes, by the way
  - 26 Sam Bockarie told me that he'd gone on a trip to Liberia in 1998
  - 27 with Varmuyan Sherif", since you happen to be asking me about
  - 28 Sam Bockarie's trips to Liberia that year and Varmuyan Sherif
  - 29 almost in the same breath it seems? Why didn't you mention it

- 1 then?
- 2 A. First of all I want to say this clearly to you, sir. My
- 3 brain is not an electronic brain for something over any years
- 4 that has passed and you ask me over a second and I confirm
- 14:49:52 5 everything to you. But if you have asked me such a question and
  - 6 I have given you an answer, maybe as time goes on I will be
  - 7 thinking about the sequence in which it happened. If I had any
  - 8 way of correcting it that this was the correct one I would go
  - 9 back to you and say, "Yes, I said this, but this is exactly what
- 14:50:13 10 I was thinking that happened".
  - 11 So this was exactly what was happening to me, not that I
  - 12 was having a record of what they were asking me and as they asked
  - 13 I just had to answer directly. I had to sometimes think over
  - 14 what we've been going through today because there are questions
- 14:50:27 15 that I was asked that I did not know whether such a question will
  - 16 come up again in this type of interviews. So this was exactly
  - 17 what was happening.
  - 18 Q. We appreciate your brain is not a computer, but you were
  - 19 being asked in that particular interview to tell the Prosecution
- 14:50:47 20 everything you could remember about Varmuyan Sherif, whether or
  - 21 not these were things you had seen yourself, and so you came up
  - 22 with his trip to Buedu when he escorted some arms and ammunitions
  - 23 to Liberia although you didn't actually see that at all. This
  - 24 was something someone told you, correct?
- 14:51:11 25 A. Yes, sir, somebody told me that.
  - 26 Q. The previous thing you'd been discussing was Sam Bockarie's
  - 27 trips to Liberia that year and yet two years ago, 18 months ago I
  - 28 suppose, you don't remember that Sam Bockarie told you he had
  - 29 been to Liberia with Varmuyan Sherif and you only remember that

- 1 for the first time this year in March when you were being proofed
- 2 some weeks after Varmuyan Sherif gave evidence to that effect.
- 3 That's right, isn't it?
- 4 A. No, sir, and whenever I had corrections, I mean the
- 14:52:01 5 correction I made here, I did not go to make a request that I
  - 6 have got an answer to this, but whenever I was asked I had to
  - 7 give them exactly how I looked at that particular information
  - 8 that they were asking me about. It was not like I had to wait
  - 9 until somebody said it, or somebody had to testify before I can
- 14:52:19 10 say it, but I only came to them to confirm what I have said I had
  - 11 said before I made these corrections. That was not only for
  - 12 Varmuyan Sherif's issue that we are talking about now.
  - 13 Q. What correction are you talking about?
  - 14 A. I believe that there were many other things that you have
- 14:52:42 15 asked in the first statement I mean the first interviews that I
  - 16 had with the Prosecution before. You were asking questions about
  - 17 them, that there were changes that were made. These are the
  - 18 corrections that I am talking about, not only in the case of
  - 19 Varmuyan Sherif here now.
- 14:53:02 20 Q. You don't mention Varmuyan Sherif's alleged trip to
  - 21 Monrovia with Sam Bockarie until 4 March this year, which is some
  - 22 time after Varmuyan Sherif gave evidence in this court claiming
  - 23 that. I will be corrected if I am putting something wrong from
  - 24 the various accounts that you have given to the Prosecution. Do
- 14:53:40 25 you understand?
  - 26 A. This is what I am saying. If Varmuyan Sherif had given
  - 27 evidence of what I said to him about him to be correct, but if I
  - 28 had said anything after Varmuyan Sherif had given evidence to
  - 29 you, I have not been going to along with Varmuyan Sherif's

- 1 testimony. I say what I do know and what I think I remember to
- 2 be correct. This is what I am saying here. I am not saying what
- 3 somebody said and that I have to follow somebody else's step.
- 4 Q. Were you prompted by anyone in March of this year, when you
- 14:54:12 5 were being proofed, to add in this suggestion that Bockarie once
  - told you that he had gone to Monrovia with Sherif? Did someone
  - 7 press you on that particular topic?
  - 8 A. This is what I am saying here. Nobody ever forced me to
  - 9 say what I do not know, or what I never said. All I am saying
- 14:54:42 10 here is what I believe I heard from an individual that I am
  - 11 making reference to and I am also telling you what I saw and what
  - 12 happened to me and that is what I can defend. I cannot rely on
  - 13 somebody else's information which I don't know where he got it
  - 14 from, except from a reliable source like those I have mentioned
- 14:55:07 **15** here.
  - 16 Q. Do you accept, Mr Jaward, that I am right when I say that
  - 17 it wasn't until 4 March this year that you are recorded by the
  - 18 Prosecution as saying that Bockarie told you about his trip to
  - 19 Monrovia with Sherif?
- 14:55:27 20 A. That might be correct, because on 4 March I was here.
  - 21 Q. Where? Where were you on 4 March?
  - 22 A. I said this year in March in March, you know, I was with
  - the Court here because I came here earlier in February, late in
  - 24 February, and early March I went back, and when I came I think I
- 14:56:03 25 had an interview with them as well. So if there was any document
  - 26 to that effect and correction to that effect, I don't disagree
  - with it.
  - 28 Q. I asked you earlier when you came to The Hague and you told
  - 29 us it was in June I think 25 June, although I might have the

- 1 date wrong. Thank you. Why didn't you tell us that you came to
- 2 The Hague in February?
- 3 A. Let me make this clear to you if you have not been informed
- 4 about this issue here. I want you to understand that I came here
- 14:56:43 5 once before and I went back.
  - 6 Q. Yes, why didn't you tell us that when I asked you earlier,
  - 7 "When did you come to The Hague for this trial?"
  - 8 A. Well, I am referring to the present trip. I mean the last
  - 9 how can I say it? I am talking about the time that I was
- 14:57:04 10 coming for this particular case that we are on now, that is last
  - 11 month, June. This is the time I was referring to. I am not
  - 12 referring to the correction you were talking about.
  - 13 Q. Just tell us, when you came to know Varmuyan Sherif where
  - were you when you first met him in 1996?
- 14:57:49 15 A. I have told you again and I will repeat it again. I and
  - 16 Varmuyan Sherif never met in 1996, but I knew during the time of
  - 17 that arms transaction with ULIMO that he was one of the
  - 18 commanders with the ULIMO at that time.
  - MR MUNYARD: Would your Honour bear with me for a moment?
- 14:58:14 20 I wasn't sure that he had said that he hadn't met him in 1996. I
  - just want to check the transcript.
  - 22 PRESIDING JUDGE: Please do so.
  - 23 MR MUNYARD: I will just take a second to check the answers
  - that he gave a moment ago. Yes, I am looking at page 100 on my
- 15:00:09 25 screen. Page 100, line 10:
  - 26 Q. I am quoting a question and answer from before the lunch
  - 27 break. Just before we broke for lunch I asked you if you had
  - 28 told them what they had written down and you said, "Yes, sir, I
  - 29 told them I saw him in 1996 when he was fighting for ULIMO-K."

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you saw him in 1996 when he was fighting for ULIMO-K. In fact, I 3 4 have gone back to page 99 on my screen, line 10: I am limiting you to the first three lines. 15:01:44 5 tell them that you came to know him some time in 1996 when 7 he was fighting for the ULIMO-K? Yes, sir, I told them that I saw him in 1996 when he 8 was fighting for the ULIMO-K." Now you are telling us that you didn't see him in 1996 when 15:02:05 10 he was fighting for the ULIMO-K. Which version of your evidence 11 12 do you want these judges to accept, Mr Jaward? Do you want 13 before lunch, "I did meet him in 1996", or after lunch, "I and 14 Varmuyan Sherif never met in 1996"? 15:02:33 15 MR BANGURA: May it please your Honours, my learned friend has just taken us back to page 99 and then has referred to an 16 17 earlier point where he says the witness made a statement that he saw Varmuyan Sherif. I would like my learned friend to take the 18 19 witness through to further from the point where he - it says that 15:02:53 20 the witness said he saw Varmuyan Sherif in 1996, but 21 specifically, your Honours, line 4, the witness says - that is on 22 page 99 - he says, "Yes, sir, I told the Prosecution that I knew 23 Varmuyan Sherif as a ULIMO fighter before and later when I saw 24 him as one of Charles Taylor's soldiers in Monrovia and he also 15:03:18 25 came to Buedu at one point in time and I saw him." I think that 26 is a different picture completely from the statement that my 27 learned friend has put to the witness, that he saw him. I think 28 this clarifies much more the statement that he made.

Now, that was about the last thing I asked you before we broke

for lunch and that is what you said: That you did tell them that

MR MUNYARD: I completely accept that the witness gave a

- 1 contradictory answer just before. That is the one that my 2 learned friend has just read out. However, I went on therefore
- 3 to try to clarify it in the simplest way possible by asking, "I
- 4 am now limiting you to the fist three lines. Did you tell them
- 15:04:01 5 that you came to know him some time in 1996 when he was fighting
  - 6 for the ULIMO-K?" The witness answered, these are his own words
  - 7 in English, "Yes, sir, I told him I told them that I saw him in
  - 8 1996 when he was fighting for the ULIMO-K." So first we have one
  - 9 story, then we have another story and now we are in a third story
- 15:04:28 10 and I would like to be able to get on and ask the witness which
  - one of these stories he wants you, the Court, to take into
  - 12 account.
  - 13 PRESIDING JUDGE: In the light of what appears to be a
  - 14 clear answer at page 100, I allow the question as put. Since we
- 15:04:46 15 seem to have lost track of it somewhat, let us go back to it and
  - 16 put your question again, Mr Munyard, please.
  - 17 MR MUNYARD:
  - 18 Q. Yes, my question actually was which version of events do
  - 19 you now want the judges to accept? What you said immediately
- 15:05:04 20 before we broke for lunch, or what you said about five minutes
  - 21 ago when you started to tell me, "I never met Varmuyan Sherifin
  - 22 1996"?
  - PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, did you hear the question?
  - 24 THE WITNESS: Oh, yes. Yes, ma'am. I thought it was not a
- 15:05:44 25 question directed to me. What I can tell the Court here is that
  - 26 my true version of that particular question is that I only knew
  - 27 of Varmuyan Sherif at that time in 1996, but I came to see him in
  - 28 person when I was in Liberia. At that time he was with the
  - 29 Charles Taylor government.

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2 when you say, "I only knew of Varmuyan Sherif at that time in 3 1996." What exactly do you mean by that statement? 4 THE WITNESS: In 1996 during - I mean during that arms and ammunition transaction between the ULIMO-K and the RUF at the 15:06:28 5 Liberian border, that was the time I heard that Varmuyan Sherif 6 7 was one of the commanders with the ULIMO-K. PRESIDING JUDGE: Continue, Mr Munyard. 8 MR MUNYARD: So why did you tell us before lunch that you had seen him 15:06:46 10 Q. in 1996? 11 12 This is exactly what I am saying here. Yesterday you said 13 my English is clear in your ear, but grammatically, although I am 14 correcting myself as time goes on, because the standard I am in 15:07:09 15 today, I am proud of it --THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can he kindly repeat his --16 17 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, you are going too quickly for the interpreters. Please go back to the point you said, "Because 18 19 the standard I am in today, I am proud of it". Continue from 15:07:25 20 there, please. 21 THE WITNESS: Please, ma'am, there were some statements 22 here, when they were obtained from me there were some changes 23 later on when they were read to me, but my understanding at the 24 time that I was giving that statement at that time, the way it

PRESIDING JUDGE: I would like to be clear what you mean

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was written down and later on when it was read to me again there

Like in the case of this that we are talking about where I

were some differences from my understanding how the way I was

said I saw Varmuyan Sherif, I did not see him in person, but I

- 1 knew that at that time from the information given to us on that
- 2 arms transaction that he was one of the commanders with the
- 3 ULIMO-K, not that I saw him in person. I saw him in person.
- 4 MR MUNYARD:
- 15:08:21 5 Q. Mr Jaward, you have every reason to be proud of the
  - 6 standard of your English because it is perfectly good English, I
  - 7 suggest, and the answer that you gave before the lunch break was
  - 8 a simple, clear statement and now you are tying yourself up in
  - 9 knots trying to dissociate yourself from your earlier answer. Do
- 15:08:44 10 you agree?
  - 11 A. Well, my answer to that question was not confirming that
  - 12 this is the statement that I want to agree with, but I admitted
  - 13 that that written statement was given by me to the investigator,
  - 14 but not that this was exactly what I meant at that time when they
- 15:09:06 15 wrote it down. But I agreed that I gave them that information,
  - 16 but I only would make you to understand that that was not my
  - 17 understanding of that particular sentence that was written at
  - 18 that time.
  - 19 Q. I wasn't asking you about what you told the investigators.
- 15:09:25 20 I was asking you about what you told this Court at five minutes
  - 21 to no, sorry, about 28 minutes past 1 this afternoon when you
  - 22 said, "Yes, sir, I saw Varmuyan Sherif in 1996". What is unclear
  - 23 about that answer?
  - 24 A. That "I saw" was added to the statement, but I said I only
- 15:10:01 25 saw him in Monrovia, not with ULIMO-K at that time. When he was
  - 26 I only saw him in Monrovia when he was with the Charles Taylor
  - 27 government at that time. That was why I added the "I saw".
  - 28 Q. What year?
  - 29 A. That was in 2000 up to 2002, because I used to see him not

- 1 only once in Monrovia now.
- 2 Q. Tell the judges now at 10 past 3 what your latest position
- 3 is on the first time you saw Sam Bockarie sorry, you saw
- 4 Varmuyan Sherif?
- 15:10:41 5 A. You mean my first time of seeing Varmuyan Sherif, sir?
  - 6 Q. That's exactly what I asked.
  - 7 A. I can remember the first time I set eyes on Varmuyan Sherif
  - 8 was at Charles Taylor's house where I referred to in my testimony
  - 9 as White Flower. It was there that I set eyes on him, sir.
- 15:11:08 10 Q. When?
  - 11 A. That was that was in late 2000.
  - 12 Q. When in late 2000?
  - 13 A. That was the time I graduated from my officer from my
  - 14 platoon commanders course when we were taking care of White
- 15:11:33 **15** Flower.
  - 16 Q. Did you ever go with Sam Bockarie on any of his trips to
  - 17 buy arms or ammunition?
  - 18 A. What I can say here is that I went with Sam Bockarie as
  - 19 far as you were referring to ULIMO-K, the ULIMO-K issue I went
- 15:12:26 20 with Sam Bockarie to the ULIMO-K zone, but we never bought any
  - 21 arms on that day. It was to go and do a better negotiation with
  - 22 the authorities along the border at that time.
  - 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: Just before you proceed, Mr Munyard, are
  - 24 you asking this question generally of the witness?
- 15:12:44 25 MR MUNYARD: Yes.
  - 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, are you answering this
  - 27 question as though it was only with ULIMO-K, because counsel is
  - 28 asking for the whole time that you were not just at the ULIMO-K
  - 29 time?

- 1 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir yes, ma'am, the question he asked,
- 2 I am referring to the ULIMO-K time when I was still with the RUF.
- 3 PRESIDING JUDGE: Counsel is not limiting it to the ULIMO-K
- 4 time. Mr Munyard, in the circumstances I think it prudent to ask
- 15:13:22 5 it again.
  - 6 MR MUNYARD: I will ask it again, yes:
  - 7 Q. Did you ever go with Sam Bockarie on his trips to buy arms
  - 8 and ammunition?
  - 9 A. No. sir.
- 15:13:33 10 Q. Never?
  - 11 A. No, sir.
  - 12 Q. Neither ULIMO-K time, nor any other time?
  - 13 A. ULIMO-K time we went I went along with him to make
  - 14 negotiation, but not to buy on that particular day.
- 15:13:54 15 Q. So the answer to my question my initial question was,
  - 16 "Yes, I did go on one of his trips, but he didn't actually
  - 17 purchase them on that occasion". Is that right?
  - 18 A. Yes, sir.
  - 19 Q. Why was it so difficult for you to explain that when I
- 15:14:12 20 asked the question first of all and you said no?
  - 21 A. I cannot just answer until I understand exactly what you
  - 22 mean by your question, you see. I don't want to answer a
  - 23 question as it had happened before and later it will look like I
  - 24 am denying my question. So I have to understand it first.
- 15:14:42 25 Q. Tell us about that trip.
  - 26 A. This was in 1996 when Sam Bockarie was now appointed as the
  - 27 battle group commander. He first sent us with a letter with some
  - other items which I can remember, a military uniform suit with a
  - 29 boot, a carton of cigarettes and a tape recorder to go and give

- 1 them to the ULIMO soldiers who were at Mendekoma at that time on
- 2 the defensive to give them that letter for the immediate
- 3 commander that they had, you know, along that Mendekoma area to
- 4 --
- 15:15:45 5 Q. Where was this? Mendekoma?
  - 6 A. Mendekoma is one of the villages right at the border
  - 7 between Liberia and Sierra Leone when you pass through Koindu to
  - 8 go to Liberia, but Mendekoma is on the Liberian side.
  - 9 Q. I showed it to you the map S7, the Prosecution map,
- 15:16:08 10 yesterday, up at the top end of the Liberian sorry, of the
  - 11 Sierra Leonean border, yes? Do you remember?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir. Yes, sir.
  - 13 Q. Did you ever go on any other trip with Sam Bockarie when he
  - 14 was attempting to buy arms and ammunition, apart from the one to
- 15:16:31 15 Mendekoma?
  - 16 A. No, sir.
  - 17 MR MUNYARD: Your Honour, I am going to ask for that map to
  - 18 be produced again, please. I think it is a court exhibit.
  - 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: Is that the Kailahun District map?
- 15:17:03 20 MR MUNYARD: Yes, it is, your Honour.
  - 21 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is MFI-2, Mr Munyard.
  - 22 MR MUNYARD: Yes, it is, Madam President. I have put mine
  - 23 away and I am just trying to trace it. I have got it. Yes:
  - 24 Q. Mendekoma we can see in the top right-hand part of the map
- 15:18:10 25 beneath a town called Kondo, is that right?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir.
  - 27 Q. And that was the area where you went with Sam Bockarie when
  - 28 he was attempting to buy arms and ammunition from ULIMO-K, is it?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir, we went beyond that point. We went as far as

- 1 Foya.
- 2 Q. As far as?
- 3 A. Foya. When I went with Sam Bockarie we went as far as
- 4 Foya, sir.
- 15:18:48 5 Q. How did you get from Mendekoma to Foya?
  - 6 A. At this time we were in Koindu. So we left Koindu, we went
  - 7 to the border. We went to the border with Liberia where this
  - 8 Mendekoma is found. From there we passed through Mendekoma and
  - 9 went to Foya. Foya Kama. They used to call it Foya airfield.
- 15:19:17 10 Q. Yes, I asked you how you got to Foya from Mendekoma. How
  - 11 do you do that journey? What route do you take?
  - 12 A. There is a car route from Koindu to the border. That is
  - 13 the main car route that we walked with.
  - 14 Q. And then to get from Mendekoma in Liberia to Foya in
- 15:19:39 15 Liberia, do you continue on in Liberia or do you come back into
  - 16 Si erra Leone?
  - 17 A. We went with the same route to Foya and we returned through
  - 18 the same route to Koindu.
  - 19 Q. That doesn't help us at all because you haven't told us
- 15:20:02 20 what the route is. Could you please tell us how you got from
  - 21 Mendekoma to Foya? Point on the map if it helps. If it's in
  - 22 Liberia and it's not visible on this map we can always produce
  - 23 one of the ones of Liberia.
  - 24 A. Mendekoma, as I told you, is on the Liberian side of the
- 15:20:21 25 border, but there is no road here on the map here from Koindu to
  - 26 go there.
  - 27 Q. Don't worry about what's on the map. Just show us if you
  - 28 can by pointing on the map?
  - 29 JUDGE SEBUTI NDE: Mr Munyard, are you on channel 0 again

- 1 because you are not waiting for the interpretation.
- 2 MR MUNYARD: I'm sorry. I am sorry, the temptation is to
- 3 listen to the witness's perfect English without the headphones,
- 4 especially when my hands are full, but I will endeavour to stick
- 15:21:01 5 on the headphones and to slow down:
  - 6 Q. Is this all in your mind's eye? Are you able to remember
  - 7 this now?
  - 8 A. Yes, sir, this was one of the important events that I can
  - 9 remember.
- 15:21:24 10 Q. Right. Well then just show us by indicating on the map, if
  - 11 the route is on the map, or telling us where it went off the map,
  - 12 how you got from the one to the other?
  - 13 A. Yes, sir, this is Koindu, sir. We left Koindu and went to
  - 14 Mendekoma here and we crossed the border to we went through to
- 15:21:49 15 Foya and Foya is behind Mendekoma in Liberia.
  - 16 Q. On my map Foya is directly below Mendekoma, but about
  - 17 almost at the bottom end of the square in which we can see
  - 18 Mendekoma on this map.
  - 19 A. Come back again, sir.
- 15:22:13 20 Q. If you put your finger on Mendekoma and then bring it all
  - 21 the way down in a straight line parallel to the edge of the map,
  - 22 you get to Foya on this map just before you hit the bottom of
  - 23 that particular square.
  - 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 15:22:45 25 Q. Is that the Foya we are talking about, or is there another
  - 26 Foya?
  - 27 A. There is another Foya. That is why I made you understand
  - 28 that there is Foya airfield and also there is another Foya that
  - 29 you are referring to. Maybe it is Foya Tinkia, because it is

- 1 down along the border coming towards the side of Buedu. They
- 2 have Foya airfield, which they call Foya Kama, which I am
- 3 referring to in this case, and then there is Foya Tinkia which is
- 4 below down, coming down towards Buedu along the border on the
- 15:23:23 5 Liberian side.
  - 6 Q. Don't worry about all the other Foyas. Just tell us where
  - 7 your Foya is that you are now describing that you went to from
  - 8 Mendekoma. Is it not shown on the map?
  - 9 A. No, sir, according to the distance that I can estimate, it
- 15:23:41 10 is behind the map I mean outside the map.
  - 11 Q. All right, we understand that. Is it near Mendekoma, or is
  - 12 it far?
  - 13 A. It is a little bit far, sir. The distance from Mendekoma
  - 14 to Foya is further than the distance from Koindu to Mendekoma on
- 15:24:04 15 the Liberian side.
  - 16 Q. You are trained soldier. Just tell us is it north, south,
  - 17 east, or west? Well, it won't be west of Mendekoma. Is it
  - 18 north, south, or east of Mendekoma?
  - 19 A. I can locate Foya Kama in this case east on the east to
- 15:24:32 20 be on the east of Mendekoma.
  - 21 Q. Would it be I don't want to labour this. Would it be
  - 22 roughly speaking in a straight line? If you put your finger on
  - 23 Mendekoma and go to the right of the map, would it be in a
  - 24 straight line broadly speaking?
- 15:24:50 25 A. Yes, sir.
  - 26 Q. Thank you. Now, was that a one day trip, or a more than
  - 27 one day trip, or a less than one day trip?
  - 28 A. The trip was meant for only a day, sir, but we spent about
  - 29 three days in Foya.

- 1 Q. This is this Foya to the east of Mendekoma, yes?
- 2 A. Yes, sir. Foya Kama, sir.
- 3 Q. What were you doing in that Foya Kama for those three days?
- 4 A. From what happened at that time, after we had carried the
- 15:25:39 5 letter the commanders came to the border to say they wanted to
  - 6 see Sam Bockarie in person. When we arrived at Mendekoma, we
  - 7 used their vehicles and we all went together to Foya, but what we
  - 8 understood after three days was that the information the
  - 9 commanders in Foya at that time sent to Voinjama whereby they
- 15:26:08 10 were saying which they were saying was their area headquarters
  - 11 at that time was different as we understood later on. Later
  - 12 they said the information they sent there was that Sam Bockarie
  - 13 and a few of his men the information we gathered later, after
  - 14 three days of delay of our time, they said there was a
- 15:26:30 15 misinformation that they sent a message to Voinjama that
  - 16 Sam Bockarie and some of his men had crossed the border to
  - 17 surrender to the ULIMO, like what happened at that time at the
  - 18 Pujehun area. So in two days --
  - 19 Q. Let me stop you there. Did you or didn't you buy any arms
- 15:26:52 20 from them during that three day period, or were arms discussed
  - then and delivered a little bit later?
  - 22 A. No, sir, we never bought any arms. The only conclusion was
  - 23 after Sam Bockarie heard of that misinformation about him
  - 24 surrendering he became annoyed and the other authorities who were
- 15:27:21 25 at Foya talked to him saying that he should come back and he
  - 26 referred them to the letter to see the message in the letter. It
  - 27 was not like surrendering. Later, after he had come back, the
  - 28 commanders went to meet him in Koindu.
  - 29 Q. Which commanders are these?

- 1 A. At that time I can remember one General Farah Aidid. They
- 2 referred to him as the area commander or AC at that time. He
- 3 went there of ULIMO-K.
- 4 Q. Right. Any other commanders there?
- 15:27:58 5 A. Some other ULIMO commanders went to meet him in Koindu at
  - 6 that time, like one they called General --
  - 7 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can be repeat the name of
  - 8 the general.
  - 9 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, the interpreter did not hear
- 15:28:13 10 the name of the general. Please repeat his name again.
  - 11 THE WITNESS: I can remember, you know, General Dago
  - 12 [phon]. He went to see Sam Bockarie at Koindu.
  - 13 MR MUNYARD:
  - 14 Q. Well, did you see any of these commanders, you yourself?
- 15:28:37 15 A. Yes, sir, I saw them. At that time I was with Sam Bockarie
  - 16 in Koindu.
  - 17 Q. Right, all right, but where was Varmuyan Sherif in all of
  - 18 this? He was an important commander, wasn't he? I have asked
  - 19 you two questions in one there. I will divide them up. Varmuyan
- 15:28:59 20 Sherif was an important ULIMO-K commander by 1996, wasn't he?
  - 21 A. Important in a sense, not in this particular area of
  - 22 assignment I am talking about. I only came to hear about
  - 23 Varmuyan Sherif down towards Foya Tinkia way, that is towards the
  - 24 Buedu area, when I went there with Peter Vandi who was another
- 15:29:25 25 commander that went to negotiate for this same transaction to
  - 26 start on that side. Varmuyan Sherif's name was common in the
  - 27 Foya Tinkia area when we went there together with Peter Vandi and
  - 28 at that time Sam Bockarie did not go with us.
  - 29 Q. So let me understand what you have just said. You went on

- 1 another trip to buy arms from ULIMO-K, this time with Peter
- 2 Vandi, and that was when you went to Varmuyan Sherif's area of
- 3 ULIMO-K. Is that what you are saying?
- 4 A. No, sir, I never went there with Peter Vandi to buy arms at
- 15:30:28 5 that particular time. We went there to negotiate for the same
  - 6 peace and also to lay the foundation for that transaction, so we
  - 7 even carried something like a dancing troop along with us for us
  - 8 to have that type of coordination between us.
  - 9 Q. Don't worry about the dancing troop. What do you mean by,
- 15:30:53 10 "I never went there to buy arms at that particular time. We went
  - 11 there to negotiate for the same peace"? What peace?
  - 12 A. First of all, for the ULIMO-K to even allow us to enter
  - 13 their territory wherein we had been fighting against each other
  - 14 before, so it was a kind of peace that was existing at that
- 15:31:20 15 particular time between us.
  - 16 Q. So you hadn't gone then to buy weapons?
  - 17 A. No, sir, that was not the main purpose for which we went.
  - 18 It was at first for us to make negotiation and then the business
  - 19 will start later.
- 15:31:46 20 Q. And what was the business?
  - 21 A. I said the main business at that time was for the ULIMO
  - 22 along the border of Liberia to help exchange their weapons with
  - 23 us in Sierra Leone, with the RUF, at that time whilst their own
  - 24 disarmament was going on.
- 15:32:08 25 Q. By "exchange weapons" you don't mean you are swapping yours
  - 26 for theirs; you mean you are buying their weapons that they
  - should have been handing over as part of disarmament, yes?
  - 28 A. They were selling their weapons to us whilst our own
  - 29 authorities gave them whatsoever they had with them, available

- 1 with them at that time, not in exchange for gun to gun.
- 2 Q. I understand that. So you go on two trips to attempt to
- 3 get weapons from ULIMO-K: One with Sam Bockarie to Foya Kama
- 4 where you spend three days negotiating and one with Peter Vandi
- 15:32:55 5 to the other Foya. Is that the Foya that we saw on the map that
  - 6 we Looked at?
  - 7 A. The Foya Peter Vandi and I went to, sir?
  - 8 Q. Yes.
  - 9 A. Yes, according to the location of that Foya it might be
- 15:33:19 10 that it was this Foya that Peter Vandi and I went to.
  - 11 Q. Which trip came first: The one you went on with Bockarie,
  - or the one you went on with Peter Vandi?
  - 13 A. Bockarie's own happened first.
  - 14 Q. And how long after did you go on the trip with Peter Vandi?
- 15:33:43 15 A. That was about a week later when we left Koindu and came to
  - 16 Buedu.
  - 17 Q. And just help us with this: You have told us all about
  - 18 these negotiations in Foya Kama, did you ever actually get any
  - 19 weapons as a result of those discussions, either then or some
- 15:34:03 20 time shortly afterwards? Just yes or no.
  - 21 A. Yes, sir.
  - 22 Q. You did get weapons?
  - 23 A. Yes, sir.
  - 24 Q. But you didn't carry them home with you. They came later.
- 15:34:18 25 Is that what you are saying?
  - 26 A. During the negotiation we never brought any weapons
  - 27 during the negotiation. It was after the negotiation when we had
  - 28 returned that the business started. It was the time we now went
  - and brought weapons.

- 1 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Munyard, I am not sure. The trip with
- 2 Peter Vandi to Foya, is this the Foya south of Mendekoma, or the
- 3 Foya which is off the map?
- 4 MR MUNYARD: No, it is the Foya south of Mendekoma, the one
- 15:34:52 5 we saw on the map.
  - 6 THE WITNESS: The Foya with regards Peter Vandi is the one
  - 7 south of Mendekoma.
  - 8 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Thank you.
  - 9 MR MUNYARD: I am awfully sorry, Madam Court Officer. Tab
- 15:35:10 10 11, please. We can put the map to one side at the moment, but
  - 11 not necessarily away:
  - 12 Q. Now, tab 11 is one of five proofing sessions that you had
  - 13 with the Prosecution in March of this year 2, 3, 4 and 5 and 6
  - 14 March and tab 11 is notes of what you told them on 3 March 2008
- 15:36:02 15 when you were being proofed, here in The Hague presumably, is
  - 16 that right?
  - 17 A. Yes, sir.
  - 18 Q. Now I would like you to turn to the second page of tab 11,
  - 19 page 100283. These paragraphs are numbered. Just before we look
- 15:36:33 20 at them, is Peter Vandi the same as Junior Vandi?
  - 21 A. No, sir.
  - 22 Q. Are they related?
  - 23 A. On family line, no, sir, I don't know. I don't know their
  - 24 rel ati onshi p.
- 15:36:56 25 Q. Very well. Paragraph 8, please, which is the first full
  - 26 paragraph on that page, and it reads as follows:
  - 27 "The witness" that's you "went with Sam Bockarie to buy
  - 28 weapons from ULIMO after Sam Bockarie was appointed the RUF
  - 29 leader on the ground in Sierra Leone."

- 1 Did you tell them that?
- 2 A. Really, I did not go along with him directly that
- 3 particular day to buy the weapons, but I went to make negotiation
- 4 along with him.
- 15:37:36 5 Q. Did you tell the Prosecution what is written there, that
  - the witness went with Sam Bockarie to buy weapons from ULIMO
  - 7 after he was appointed RUF Leader on the ground?
  - 8 A. I spoke on that, but actually this was not my understanding
  - 9 that we went there actually to buy the weapon.
- 15:38:03 10 Q. What did you think you'd gone to do with Sam Bockarie and
  - 11 ULIMO-K with their great stash of unwanted weapons that they were
  - 12 supposed to be handing over to a neutral party?
  - 13 A. Come back with that question, please, sir.
  - 14 Q. What did you think you had gone with Sam Bockarie to do
- 15:38:29 15 when he went to meet ULIMO with their great pile of unwanted
  - 16 weapons that they were supposed to have handed over to the
  - 17 neutral third party if it wasn't to negotiate about weapons?
  - 18 A. That day Sam Bockarie was Let me say after he had sent
  - 19 his letter he was invited for better arrangements in relation to
- 15:38:57 20 the letter he sent, but when he went there it was misunderstood.
  - 21 Q. Well, the letter he sent was all about carrying cartons of
  - 22 cigarettes as gifts to ULIMO commanders, wasn't it?
  - 23 A. Yes, sir.
  - 24 Q. And the gifts were in order to butter them up to supply you
- 15:39:20 **25** with arms, weren't they?
  - 26 A. No, sir, according to him that was just a gift for the
  - 27 commanders, the immediate commanders, along the border that we
  - 28 would come across along the border, but not for the ULIMO
  - 29 authorities, but for the immediate commander along the border.

- 1 Q. Let's move on and see what else you told them:
- 2 "On this trip a short distance inside Liberia near Dawa,
- 3 the witness saw Varmujan Sherif and others. The witness saw
- 4 Varmujan Sherif again after the junta was overthrown. He said
- 15:40:10 5 Sherif in Buedu in early 1998".
  - 6 Did you tell the person who was proofing you in March all
  - 7 of that?
  - 8 A. No, sir.
  - 9 Q. Who was proofing you in March of this year?
- 15:40:41 10 A. I think when I came here I think I cannot actually
  - 11 remember now exactly who prepared this statement here.
  - 12 Q. Come on, Mr Jaward. You are claiming to remember with
  - 13 great detail events in 1991. Try and hark back to March of this
  - 14 year. Who was it that you were sat with on 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6
- 15:41:14 15 March?
  - 16 A. I said when I came here I can remember that I was in
  - 17 contact with Madam Brenda and one Alain.
  - 18 Q. And in March when you had those five days of proofing, was
  - 19 that with Madam Brenda and Alain?
- 15:41:54 20 A. I can remember, you know, they were the people who were
  - 21 really around me at that time when I came. The two people I have
  - 22 made mention of. Other people used to come, but they were much
  - 23 more closer to me.
  - 24 Q. Who was sitting down asking you all these questions in
- 15:42:13 25 March and writing down all your answers? Was that Madam Brenda
  - 26 and Alain?
  - 27 A. I can remember them, sir.
  - 28 Q. Yes. And when you say other people were coming in, or
  - 29 "other people used to come", are you saying that while Madam

- 1 Brenda and Alain were asking you questions and writing down your
- 2 answers other people used to come in and take part in those
- 3 sessions as well?
- 4 A. No, sir.
- 15:42:55 5 Q. So what were they doing, these people who used to come in?
  - 6 A. Those were all members. They are members. I used to see
  - 7 them in their offices, but the two people who directly dealt with
  - 8 me were those I have remembered.
  - 9 Q. All right. And were they writing down what you were
- 15:43:20 10 telling them?
  - 11 A. Yes, sir.
  - 12 Q. So did one or other of them ask you if you could remember
  - 13 Sam Bockarie ever telling you about going on a trip to Monrovia
  - 14 with Varmuyan Sherif?
- 15:43:54 15 A. I cannot remember all the questions asked at that time,
  - 16 especially a question like that.
  - 17 Q. I am only asking you about one question. Try to remember:
  - 18 Did one of them ask you if you could recall Sam Bockarie telling
  - 19 you he had been on a trip to Monrovia with Varmuyan Sherif when
- 15:44:17 20 they were with you in March of this year?
  - 21 A. Well, I don't understand the question that way. The only
  - 22 question I can understand about Varmuyan Sherif was whether I saw
  - 23 Varmuyan Sherif come to Buedu at any time, something like that.
  - 24 Q. Did they ask you a question of whether Bockarie ever went
- 15:44:51 25 anywhere with Varmuyan Sherif?
  - 26 A. No, sir, I cannot remember such a question like that.
  - 27 Q. Are you saying no such question was ever asked, or are you
  - 28 say if it was I can no longer remember?
  - 29 A. Really, I cannot remember. I can only recall that a

- 1 question was asked whether Varmuyan Sherif ever came to Buedu
- 2 whilst I was there.
- 3 Q. Right. And what did you say?
- 4 A. I think the last I can say the understanding I gave them
- 15:45:40 5 with regards Varmuyan Sherifissue at the time I was in Buedu was
  - 6 that I only heard from Sam Bockarie before I came that he had
  - 7 been to Monrovia and he said he travelled along with Varmuyan
  - 8 Sherif and that will have only happened because Varmuyan Sherif
  - 9 came to him.
- 15:46:00 10 Q. But, Mr Jaward, you didn't tell them that on 3 March.
  - 11 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Munyard, is that a question or a
  - 12 statement?
  - 13 MR MUNYARD: It's a statement. I am just checking
  - 14 something else.
- 15:46:26 15 PRESIDING JUDGE: I see.
  - 16 MR MUNYARD:
  - 17 Q. Nor did you tell them that on 2 March. So when you were
  - 18 telling them on 3 March all about Varmuyan Sherif in Buedu why
  - 19 didn't you tell them, "Now that you mention Sam Bockarie and
- 15:46:45 20 Varmuyan Sherif and Buedu I've just remembered that Sam Bockarie
  - 21 told me in one of our conversations that he'd been off to
  - 22 Monrovia with Varmuyan Sherif"?
  - 23 A. Really this is exactly how I responded to that question and
  - 24 I believe that corrections were made.
- 15:47:16 25 Q. So was there a question, "Did Sam Bockarie ever go to
  - 26 Monrovia with Varmuyan Sherif?" Was there such a question?
  - 27 A. I don't remember that particular question, really.
  - 28 Q. Do you think that that question probably was asked which
  - 29 led to your telling them about that conversation?

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- 1 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I wonder whether my learned 2 friend is asking the witness to guess questions that were asked. The witness says he does not remember that question asked and my 3 learned friend now says, "Do you think that question was probably 4 asked?" 5 MR MUNYARD: I am certainly not --6 7 MR BANGURA: Probably inviting the witness to enter into conjecture. 8 9 MR MUNYARD: I am certainly not asking anyone to guess 15:48:09 10 anything. If I can finish the question then, Madam President, the Court can rule on whether or not he should answer it. 11 12 PRESIDING JUDGE: Very well, complete the question and then 13 I will give a ruling. 14 MR MUNYARD: 15:48:20 15 Q. Do you think that it is probable that you were asked the question, "Did Bockarie ever go to Monrovia with Sherif?", in the 16 17 light of the fact that neither in 2006 or 2007 or on 2 or 3 March whenever you mentioned Bockarie and Sherif you never talk about 18 19 that trip, but on 4 or 5 or 6 March you do mention that trip? Do 20 you think it must be likely that you only mentioned that because
  - 24 MR MUNYARD: Thank you.
- 15:49:15 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, did you hear the question?
  - It is a long question, but --26
  - 27 Shall I try a short version? MR MUNYARD:

you were asked a direct question about it?

- 28 PRESIDING JUDGE: Let's see. Did you hear the question?
- THE WITNESS: Yes, ma'am, I was listening to him. 29

PRESIDING JUDGE: Well, I will allow that question as it

juxtaposes two distinct situations and seeks an explanation.

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: Are you able to answer it?
- THE WITNESS: The only thing I can tell him is no, sir. I
- 3 only came to give an answer regarding Sam Bockarie I mean
- 4 Mosquito's trip with Varmuyan Sherif to Monrovia when I was asked
- 15:49:52 5 whether I had ever seen Varmuyan Sherif in Buedu.
  - 6 MR MUNYARD:
  - 7 Q. Had you ever seen Varmuyan Sherif in Buedu?
  - 8 A. No, sir.
  - 9 Q. So why did you tell them on 3 March that you saw Sherifin
- 15:50:14 10 Buedu in early 1998 as it says clearly on page 100283? Why did
  - 11 you tell them that in March if it wasn't true?
  - 12 A. This is why I have been saying this again. I don't know
  - 13 how you will take it to be, but really the statement I mean my
  - 14 explanation regarding those things and the result I am seeing
- 15:50:49 15 here was not exactly what I meant at that time. It was not that
  - 16 I actually saw him in person.
  - 17 Q. What is difficult about saying, "I saw Sherif in Buedu in
  - 18 early 1998"? How could they have got that wrong?
  - 19 A. Well, this is what I'm saying. I never confirmed that that
- 15:51:17 20 was exactly what I meant about what happened and that I was
  - 21 giving them the true picture like that. I only told them that I
  - 22 heard that that was in 1998 when I returned and I heard from
  - 23 Sam Bockarie that Sam Bockarie he and Sam Bockarie went to
  - 24 Monrovia. And that was what brought me to this particular issue
- 15:51:41 25 of Varmuyan Sherif coming to Buedu.
  - 26 Q. Let's see what they have got right, "The witness went with
  - 27 Sam Bockarie to buy weapons from ULIMO after Bockarie was
  - 28 appointed RUF Leader on the ground." It is right, isn't it, that
  - 29 you did go with Sam Bockarie when he went to Foya Kama, at least

- 1 part of the purpose of which was to negotiate the purchase of
- 2 arms from ULIMO? That is right, isn't it?
- 3 A. Yes, sir.
- 4 Q. So they have got that right. "On this trip, a short
- 15:52:27 5 distance inside Liberia near Dawa", pausing there, the Foya we
  - 6 are talking about is a short distance inside Liberia from Dawa on
  - 7 the Sierra Leone-Liberia border, isn't it?
  - 8 A. A short distance could be estimated, but it is after Dawa
  - 9 in Liberia that you can get to Foya Tinkia.
- 15:52:59 10 Q. Mr Jaward, these notes are being taken by two experienced
  - 11 lawyers who were interviewing you and they are writing down what
  - 12 you told them. Do you understand that?
  - 13 A. I don't understand that question. Please come back with
  - 14 that question.
- 15:53:26 15 Q. You understand that these notes come about because two
  - 16 experienced lawyers who are interviewing you are writing down the
  - 17 answers to the questions that they have asked you. Do you
  - 18 realise that is where this document comes from that I am asking
  - 19 you about?
- 15:53:48 20 A. I don't actually think that it was because two lawyers came
  - 21 together, but I believe that, you know, after like what I have
  - 22 started with you people here these few days, it will remain in my
  - 23 memory that I will have to answer to some other person answer
  - to questions from some other person regarding particular issues.
- 15:54:17 25 THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, could the witness slow down
  - 26 a bit and take it from where the interpreter stopped.
  - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, you are going too quickly for
  - 28 the interpreter. Please speak more slowly, stop at the end of
  - 29 each sentence and pick up your answer where you said, "I will

- 1 have to answer to some other person answer to questions from
- 2 some other person regarding particular issues." Continue from
- 3 there.
- 4 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. As I said, it was not because two
- 15:54:51 5 lawyers came together that made me make those changes. It was
  - 6 what I had thought of to be the correct issues when I think far
  - 7 back.
  - 8 MR MUNYARD:
  - 9 Q. Forget about lawyers and let's turn to liars. You are
- 15:55:09 10 telling lies to this Court when you say you never saw Varmuyan
  - 11 Sherif until some time this century, aren't you?
  - 12 A. I never decided to say a lie definitely. If they had
  - 13 written that it must have been a misunderstanding, that they
  - 14 misunderstood me and have written that, but I cannot just sit
- 15:55:38 15 there and say lies just to impress somebody.
  - 16 Q. Right. We have got the first two aspects of that paragraph
  - 17 correct. Let's turn to what else the two lawyers have recorded:
  - 18 "A short distance inside Liberia ... the witness saw Varmujan
  - 19 Sherif and others". Is that what you told them?
- 15:56:18 20 A. No, sir, I never saw Varmuyan Sherif inside after Dawa at
  - 21 that time.
  - 22 Q. How could they possibly have got that wrong unless you had
  - 23 told them that you had seen Varmuyan Sherif there?
  - 24 A. Well, that is what I am saying actually. I never saw him,
- 15:56:42 25 so I could not even have convinced them by saying that I saw
  - 26 Varmuyan Sherif at the time I went there.
  - 27 Q. Then it goes on, "The witness saw Varmujan Sherif again
  - 28 after the junta was overthrown ... in Buedu in early 1998." They
  - 29 could only have written "again" if you had told them that you had

- 1 seen him once already, couldn't they?
- 2 A. No, sir.
- 3 Q. I want to ask you a little bit more about ULIMO, please.
- 4 You have been on two trips to see ULIMO?
- 15:57:55 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. In 1998 did you have any further dealings with ULIMO?
  - 7 A. No, sir.
  - 8 Q. Did you hear anything about ULIMO in 1998?
  - 9 A. No. sir.
- 15:58:24 10 Q. Are you sure about that? Did Sam Bockarie not talk to you
  - 11 again about ULIMO in 1998?
  - 12 A. No, sir.
  - 13 Q. What year was it when Sam Bockarie allegedly told you about
  - 14 his supposed trip to Monrovia with Sherif?
- 15:58:49 15 A. This was in 1998, sir.
  - 16 Q. When in 1998?
  - 17 A. That was after the junta I mean after the junta had been
  - 18 overthrown. After the Kabbah government had been reinstated and
  - 19 the juntas removed from power.
- 15:59:11 20 Q. Yes, well, that gives us from February '98 to the end of
  - 21 '98. When was it in that period of time that you had this
  - 22 particular chat with him?
  - 23 A. I cannot remember the exact month, but it was after
  - 24 February when I joined rejoined them in Buedu. That was the
- 15:59:40 25 time I heard from one of our discussions.
  - 26 Q. How long did you stay with him in Buedu? Until when?
  - 27 A. Do you mean Sam Bockarie?
  - 28 Q. That is who we are talking about.
  - 29 A. Are you referring to Sam Bockarie, sir, please?

- 1 Q. Yes.
- 2 A. Yes, I was with Sam Bockarie from 1998 up to 1999 when we
- 3 finally crossed over to Liberia.
- 4 Q. Yes, and during those two years did you have lots of
- 16:00:26 5 conversations with Sam Bockarie about all sorts of subjects?
  - 6 A. Not all kinds of subjects, sir, that I used to have
  - 7 conversations about with him.
  - 8 Q. You were Sam Bockarie's house boy during that period,
  - 9 weren't you?
- 16:00:51 10 A. I also served him like that as well, but that was not
  - 11 limited to my responsibilities with him.
  - 12 Q. Did Sam Bockarie, as well as telling you about a trip with
  - 13 Varmuyan Sherif, ever tell you about the time that a bank was
  - 14 broken into in Koidu by some former ULIMO fighters?
- 16:01:20 15 A. No, sir, I never heard about a bank being broken into in
  - 16 Koi du.
  - 17 Q. Did he ever tell you about Superman? Did he ever talk to
  - 18 you about Superman?
  - 19 A. On what subject, sir?
- 16:01:41 20 Q. Any.
  - 21 A. Personally he never talked to me about Superman, sir.
  - 22 Q. Right. Superman was an important figure in the RUF, wasn't
  - 23 he?
  - 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 16:01:54 25 Q. More important than Varmuyan Sherif, wasn't he?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir.
  - 27 Q. But you say Sam Bockarie never talked to you about him?
  - 28 A. No, sir, to call me and say something saying, "This is what
  - 29 I want to tell you about Superman", I cannot recall any topic

- 1 like that, sir.
- 2 Q. Did he ever talk to you about Morris Kallon? I think you
- 3 call him Morrison Kallon from your evidence the other day. Did
- 4 he ever talk to you about him?
- 16:02:29 5 A. Well, I don't understand why you are trying to refer to
  - 6 this trying to talk to me in this case like this. These were
  - 7 authorities. I don't think Sam Bockarie would just call me and -
  - 8 but really I can't understand that question, sir, whether
  - 9 Sam Bockarie spoke to me about these people. Really nothing like
- 16:02:50 10 that happened before.
  - 11 Q. You "don't think Sam Bockarie would just call me and" what?
  - 12 What were you going to say, Mr Jaward?
  - 13 A. Please repeat the question.
  - 14 Q. You started to say, "I don't think Sam Bockarie would just
- 16:03:11 15 call me and", and then you changed tack. What was it that you
  - 16 were about to say you don't think Sam Bockarie would just call
  - 17 you and talk about perhaps?
  - 18 A. Yes, you are saying whether Sam Bockarie ever called me to
  - 19 talk about somebody like Superman and Morris Kallon and that is
- 16:03:36 20 what I am saying. There was no topic I can ever remember in
  - 21 which Sam Bockarie called me to discuss about these people with
  - 22 me personally.
  - 23 Q. You were and I am not meaning to be in any way offensive,
  - 24 but you were too lowly a figure for Sam Bockarie to talk about
- 16:03:57 25 important matters with, weren't you? You were a house boy and a
  - 26 store keeper and that is all, do you agree?
  - 27 A. Yes, sir, in the period 1998 to 1999.
  - 28 Q. Yes.
  - 29 A. Yes, sir.

- 1 Q. Did Sam Bockarie ever tell you that Morris Kallon had
- 2 killed a former ULIMO fighter in Kono because that ULIMO man was
- 3 said to have raped a woman?
- 4 A. No, sir.
- 16:04:33 5 Q. He never told you anything about that?
  - 6 A. No, sir.
  - JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Munyard, I am tempted not to let this
  - 8 pass. The previous question to which the witness answered "yes"
  - 9 was loaded with two questions: One you suggested to the witness
- 16:05:00 10 that he was too lowly for Sam Bockarie to have spoken to him and
  - 11 then you said to him, "You were a house boy and a store keeper
  - 12 and that is all, do you agree?" Now, the witness said, "Yes,
  - 13 sir, in the period 1998 to 1999." I am not sure if he is
  - 14 agreeing with you only that he was a house boy and store keeper,
- 16:05:21 15 or that you are right that he was too lowly for Sam Bockarie to
  - 16 talk to.
  - 17 MR MUNYARD: I understand, yes.
  - 18 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: It is important.
  - 19 MR MUNYARD: To talk to about important matters, yes.
- 16:05:33 20 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Yes. Does he agree with you on both
  - 21 counts?
  - 22 MR MUNYARD: I will ask him that, if I may.
  - 23 Q. It is right, isn't it --
  - 24 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, just before my Learned friend
- 16:05:47 25 put a question to the witness about something that happened,
  - 26 about Morris Kallon executing or killing somebody, a ULIMO
  - 27 fighter, in Kono. Your Honours, I just wish my learned friend to
  - 28 indicate where this is coming from, whether from the evidence or
  - 29 from material that my learned friend has got this from which is

not available to us.

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Mr Bangura, this is cross-examination. 2 PRESIDING JUDGE: THE INTERPRETER: Your Honours, can counsel kindly speak 3 4 I ouder. MR BANGURA: Your Honours, I agree that this is 16:06:20 5 cross-examination, but this was not in the evidence. I just want 6 7 my learned friend to indicate if this is coming from some material that he has a reference to, can he provide it to us. 8 PRESIDING JUDGE: Defence counsel is entitled to put a case to the witness and he is not obliged, in my experience, to 16:06:33 10 divulge his sources. 11 12 MR MUNYARD: On Friday I asked --13 MR BANGURA: Your Honours, the point is is this a matter of 14 fact, or is it just counsel putting a matter to the witness which does not come from a particular - your Honours, it is not 16:06:48 15 particularly clear whether this is a matter of fact from a 16 17 particular source that counsel is putting to the witness. 18 PRESIDING JUDGE: Your question puzzles me, Mr Bangura, 19 but, however, I will allow counsel, Mr Munyard, to respond to it. 16:07:08 20 MR MUNYARD: On Friday, as the Court is well aware, I posed 21 the question whether or not certain information had ever been 22 disclosed to the Defence because I might have missed it. 23 PRESIDING JUDGE: Yes. 24 MR MUNYARD: It took the Prosecution - although they have 16:07:24 25 got all the papers in front of them it took the Prosecution until 26 Monday to point out that I had missed it. Today they are now 27 asking me to give sources of information that I am under no 28 obligation whatsoever to give and I do not understand the purpose

of my learned friend's question.

- 1 PRESIDING JUDGE: Well, I have ruled against Mr Bangura and
- 2 that ruling stands.
- 3 MR MUNYARD: Thank you:
- 4 Q. Now, back to you, Mr Jaward.
- 16:07:57 5 JUDGE SEBUTINDE: Mr Munyard, please don't forget to
  - 6 clarify.
  - 7 MR MUNYARD: That's exactly what I am coming back to, your
  - 8 Honour:
  - 9 Q. Back to you. You were working for Sam Bockarie as a house
- 16:08:08 10 boy and store keeper. In that capacity you were not the kind of
  - 11 person that he would discuss important matters with, were you?
  - 12 A. There were limitations, sir, for such important matters as
  - 13 you are saying, sir.
  - 14 Q. You were not even the G4, the person in charge of stores,
- 16:08:38 15 were you?
  - 16 A. No, sir.
  - 17 Q. At the very highest you were in practice the deputy to one
  - 18 of the store keepers, do you agree; the RUF store keepers?
  - 19 A. No, sir, I was not within their unit officially, sir.
- 16:09:01 20 Q. That's why I said "in practice". In reality. Do you agree
  - 21 with that?
  - 22 A. No, sir, I don't want to agree with that, because I was not
  - 23 given the title, sir.
  - Q. I am going to move on to something else, if you would just
- 16:09:20 25 give me a moment. Yes, just while we are on the earlier years,
  - 26 we were discussing 1996 a moment ago. In 1996 the peace talks
  - were going on in Abidjan, weren't they?
  - 28 A. Between the RUF and the NPRC, yes, sir.
  - 29 Q. Yes. And later in 1996 peace talks going on in Abidjan

- 1 between the RUF and the Tejan Kabbah government?
- 2 A. Yes, sir.
- 3 Q. Do you know when Tejan Kabbah was elected President?
- 4 A. I cannot remember the date and the time, sir.
- 16:10:18 5 Q. Don't worry about the specific date. What time of year was
  - 6 he elected?
  - 7 A. I can remember that Tejan Kabbah was in power in 1996, but
  - 8 I cannot specifically recall the time he was elected.
  - 9 Q. Can you remember if it was before the rainy season, during
- 16:10:44 10 the rainy season, or after the rainy season of 1996?
  - 11 A. I only came to know that Tejan Kabbah was the President in
  - 12 Sierra Leone in late 1996 and it was because of the peace accord.
  - 13 Q. Yes, but did you vote in that election? Were you old
  - 14 enough to vote in that election?
- 16:11:10 15 A. Whether I voted in the election, sir?
  - 16 Q. Yes.
  - 17 A. No, sir.
  - 18 Q. You were born in '73. You will have been 22 or 23?
  - 19 PRESIDING JUDGE: You actually put two questions to the
- 16:11:23 20 witness, Mr Munyard.
  - 21 MR MUNYARD: I'm sorry.
  - 22 PRESIDING JUDGE: He has answered the first and the second
  - is, "Were you old enough to vote?"
  - 24 MR MUNYARD:
- 16:11:34 25 Q. I think you would agree with me that you were old enough to
  - vote, wouldn't you? Is that yes?
  - 27 PRESIDING JUDGE: Mr Witness, did you hear? Were you old
  - 28 enough to vote?
  - 29 THE WITNESS: Well, yes, according to the Sierra Leone

- 1 constitution.
- 2 MR MUNYARD:
- 3 Q. And you presumably heard over the radio that Tejan Kabbah
- 4 had been elected President. Is that right?
- 16:12:07 5 A. Yes, sir.
  - 6 Q. So aren't you able to give us some idea of when in 1996 he
  - 7 was elected President?
  - 8 A. No, sir.
  - 9 Q. All right. Now, Morris Kallon at some point in the period
- 16:12:34 10 when ULIMO controlled Lofa County crossed over into Lofa County
  - 11 to try to get arms, didn't he, and got stuck?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir.
  - 13 Q. Did he succeed in bringing back a supply of arms and
  - 14 ammunition on that occasion?
- 16:13:04 15 A. No, sir, the ULIMO cut his supply line.
  - 16 Q. Tab 7, please. This is an interview conducted with you on
  - 17 9 August and 10 August of Last year. Investigator present
  - 18 Stephen Niemi, attorney present Brenda Hollis and, just to be
  - 19 absolutely clear, Mr Jaward, you understand who Brenda Hollis is,
- 16:14:04 20 don't you? I think you know her as Madam Brenda.
  - 21 A. Yes, sir.
  - 22 Q. Thank you. And if you turn, please, to page 40048 do you
  - 23 remember now before you look at the page, you were being taken
  - through a number of photographs and asked to say if you
- 16:14:31 25 recognised anyone in them. Can you remember that?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir.
  - 27 Q. And you were taken to a photograph that you said was Morris
  - 28 Kallon. You may or may not remember now. Can you remember
  - 29 identifying Morris Kallon in one of the photographs?

- 1 A. Yes, sir, I have seen Morris Kallon's picture before in
- 2 those documents.
- 3 Q. If we look at the page 40048, the first paragraph on that
- 4 page, I am going to ask you to have a look at that:
- 16:15:08 5 "Paragraph 50 the witness stated Morris Kallon, whom he
  - 6 identified in the photograph 15, in 1993/94 returned with a
  - 7 supply of arms and ammunition through Guinea as the ULIMO rebels
  - 8 blocked the RUF supply line from Gbarnga."
  - 9 Did you tell the Prosecution that?
- 16:15:54 10 A. I was also misunderstood here. I never said he came back
  - 11 with ammunition. I only said he went for ammunition, but he came
  - 12 back without ammunition through Guinea.
  - 13 Q. You were misunderstood again by Madam Brenda? Is that what
  - 14 you're telling us?
- 16:16:08 15 A. Exactly, sir. That is what I'm saying here.
  - 16 Q. Now, I would like you please to be shown a photograph that
  - 17 you were shown towards the end of your evidence-in-chief and
  - 18 again I am going to have to ask the Court's indulgence while I
  - 19 just find the right tab. I can tell you what it is. It is the
- 16:16:51 20 group of people and I think it may have been the last photograph
  - 21 he marked. It is a group of four or five men. It's a small
  - 22 photograph and I can't find the note I made at the time, but it
  - 23 may be tab --
  - 24 PRESIDING JUDGE: Is it this one, Mr Munyard?
- 16:17:10 25 MR MUNYARD: Yes, that's the one, Madam President.
  - 26 PRESIDING JUDGE: It is MFI-10.
  - 27 MR MUNYARD: It is MFI-10 and it is tab 8:
  - 28 Q. Now do you remember, Mr Jaward, identifying four people on
  - 29 this photograph?

- 1 A. Yes, sir.
- 2 Q. Eddie, Mr Eddie, that's Eddie Kanneh, isn't it?
- 3 A. Yes, sir, Mr Eddie is amongst them.
- 4 Q. Yes, I just wanted to check we are talking about the right
- 16:17:50 5 Eddie. Sam Bockarie is there, SYB Rogers and Pa Sheku, yes?
  - 6 A. Yes, sir.
  - 7 Q. Do you know where this photograph was taken?
  - 8 A. No, sir.
  - 9 Q. You told us that that group of people went on a trip to buy
- 16:18:09 10 arms from Liberia in your evidence-in-chief. Do you remember?
  - 11 A. I did not say they went to buy arms in Liberia, but I said
  - 12 they made a trip together.
  - 13 Q. To where?
  - 14 A. To Liberia.
- 16:18:30 15 Q. Yes.
  - 16 A. I knew at that time that they went to Monrovia.
  - 17 Q. When was the trip?
  - 18 A. That was some time in 1998 when we were when I was in
  - 19 Buedu.
- 16:18:43 20 Q. When in '98?
  - 21 A. Around mid-98, sir.
  - 22 Q. Are you sure about that?
  - 23 A. Well, that's what I can remember really, that they made
  - that trip in '98.
- 16:19:04 25 Q. How are you able to remember that when you have had such
  - 26 difficulty remembering events in March of this year? How can you
  - 27 say that it was in mid-98? What is it that helps you remember
  - 28 that?
  - 29 A. Well, when you talk about activities there are some

- 1 activities, no matter how somebody look at them, you must
- 2 remember maybe somebody or a certain event that happened during
- 3 the process and you will recall that that happened.
- 4 Q. Are you aware of that group of people being in Burkina Faso
- 16:19:50 5 to buy arms?
  - 6 A. At that time I never knew anything about Burkina Faso in
  - 7 connection with arms.
  - 8 Q. Sam Bockarie never mentioned a thing about getting arms
  - 9 from Burkina Faso, did he?
- 16:20:12 10 A. No, sir.
  - 11 Q. Did he ever tell you that arms were flown from Burkina Faso
  - 12 to a place called Magburaka? Did he ever share that piece of
  - 13 information with you?
  - 14 A. No, sir. I never got any information like that, sir.
- 16:20:34 15 Q. Did anyone ever tell you about that?
  - 16 A. No, sir, I never knew anything about arms shipment or
  - 17 flying of arms to Magburaka.
  - 18 Q. All right, we can dispense with that photograph. Still on
  - 19 the subject of arms, where were you when the AFRC took over -
- 16:21:07 20 took power?
  - 21 A. I was in the Kailahun District behind the rebel lines I
  - 22 mean with the RUF.
  - 23 Q. And when Sam Bockarie went to Monrovia sorry, went to
  - 24 Freetown, he only stayed a few weeks, didn't he, when the RUF
- 16:21:34 25 joined together with the AFRC to form the junta?
  - 26 A. Yes, sir, the first time he went to Freetown it was only
  - 27 for a few weeks. He spent only a few weeks there and then he
  - 28 returned to the interior.
  - 29 Q. And he returned partly because he was unhappy that the

- 1 soldiers of the AFRC were not treating the RUF with proper
- 2 respect, wasn't he?
- 3 A. He expressed one of that concern.
- 4 Q. Yes. And Sam Bockarie at that time was in practice the
- 16:22:23 5 leader on the ground of the RUF in Sierra Leone, wasn't he?
  - 6 A. Yes, sir, he was in charge of the RUF on the ground in
  - 7 Si erra Leone.
  - 8 Q. So here you have the leader of the RUF so unhappy about the
  - 9 way in which his fighters were being treated, or his comrades
- 16:22:50 10 were being treated, that he wouldn't even stay in Freetown as
  - 11 part of the junta. Is that right?
  - 12 A. Yes, sir.
  - 13 Q. And he remained unhappy with the Leadership of the AFRC,
  - 14 didn't he?
- 16:23:17 15 A. Well, I don't know how he ended up his feeling against the
  - 16 AFRC, but initially he expressed some dissatisfaction for which
  - 17 he came to Kenema.
  - 18 Q. Yes. And he stayed in Kenema throughout the AFRC junta
  - 19 period, didn't he?
- 16:23:42 20 A. He used to go he used to travel to other areas and back,
  - 21 but he was more or less, I mean, having his family in Kenema.
  - 22 Q. Yes, he was based in Kenema, not in Freetown, even though
  - 23 he was the leader of the RUF at the time of the junta, yes?
  - 24 A. Yes, sir.
- 16:24:16 25 Q. And when the RUF sorry, when the junta was overthrown at
  - the time of the intervention by ECOMOG eventually there was an
  - 27 attempt by the AFRC to take back Freetown in January of 1999. Do
  - 28 you know about that?
  - 29 A. Yes, sir, I heard of that.

- 1 Q. But you had no involvement in that at all, did you?
- 2 A. No, sir, at that particular time I did not have much part
- 3 to play.
- 4 Q. And by that time the AFRC, or the SLA, and the RUF had
- 16:25:10 5 fallen out very considerably, hadn't they, by the end of
  - 6 '98/early 1999?
  - 7 A. Do you mean they fell apart?
  - 8 Q. I mean they disagreed with one another very considerably?
  - 9 A. I cannot justify that point, really, because there were
- 16:25:45 10 very few elements who used to grumble, but not generally
  - 11 everybody.
  - 12 Q. Well, Sam Bockarie grumbled right from the start, didn't
  - 13 he, and he took himself off to Kenema?
  - 14 A. Yes, that is what I said, sir.
- 16:26:04 15 Q. There came a stage when Superman refused to take orders
  - 16 from Issa Sesay, didn't there?
  - 17 A. I can remember that incident also.
  - 18 Q. Yes.
  - 19 A. Yes, sir.
- 16:26:18 20 Q. Even within the RUF there was infighting, wasn't there?
  - 21 Not just between the RUF and their comrades in the AFRC, but also
  - 22 within the RUF itself?
  - 23 A. Yes, sir, I agree with that, when Superman's issue came up
  - 24 with Issa Sesay.
- 16:26:47 25 Q. Not just Superman, when Issa Sesay lost the diamonds that
  - 26 caused infighting, didn't it?
  - 27 A. This is exactly what I am referring to in this case, sir,
  - that brought about the misunderstanding between Issa and Superman
  - in particular.

- 1 Q. And did you ever hear at the time of the AFRC invasion of
- 2 Freetown did you ever hear Sam Bockarie mocking his AFRC
- 3 comrades over the radio, insulting them over the radio?
- 4 A. No, sir, I did not hear any insults over the radio by
- 16:27:34 5 Sam Bockarie to the AFRC.
  - 6 Q. In fact you were not anything to do with the radio
  - 7 operation and you were not in a position to overhear Sam
  - 8 Bockarie's radio conversations at any time, were you?
  - 9 A. I used to hear his conversation, but not that I was invited
- 16:28:00 10 officially to go and monitor, but he was not speaking on the
  - 11 radio in secret.
  - 12 Q. So you, the house boy and store keeper, could listen to
  - 13 Sam Bockarie's conversations with other commanders over the
  - 14 radio. Is that your evidence?
- 16:28:19 15 A. Yes, sir, sometimes when he was speaking to them if I was
  - 16 around I would monitor.
  - 17 Q. That's another lie, isn't it, Mr Jaward?
  - 18 A. That will never be a lie, you know. If you allow me to
  - 19 explain the circumstance under which the radio station was I
- 16:28:44 20 mean under which I was around the radio station.
  - 21 PRESIDING JUDGE: Just pause, Mr Witness.
  - 22 MR BANGURA: Your Honour, I am not so clear about the basis
  - 23 on which my learned friend simply says to the witness that what
  - the witness says is a lie.
- 16:28:57 25 PRESIDING JUDGE: Well, unfortunately we are out of time,
  - 26 Mr Bangura, so can I register your objection and deal with the
  - 27 reply to it first thing in the morning?
  - 28 MR BANGURA: Very well, your Honour.
  - 29 PRESIDING JUDGE: But I have noted it, but I must say my

	1	first reaction - well, let us reserve that. Mr Munyard, there is
	2	an objection, but unfortunately we are out of time, it's after
	3	half 4, we will have to deal with it
	4	MR MUNYARD: I don't in fact propose replying to it.
16:29:26	5	PRESIDING JUDGE: Very well. Two things. First he has
	6	answered and second - well, more or less. And counsel is
	7	entitled to challenge the witness on his credibility in the way
	8	he has and so I overrule the objection. We will adjourn the
	9	Court until tomorrow at 9.30. Please adjourn court.
16:29:54	10	[Whereupon the hearing adjourned at 4.30 p.m.
	11	to be reconvened on Wednesday, 16 July 2008 at
	12	9.30 a.m.]
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