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**Witness**

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2 **HSGAC Majority**: Okay. Good afternoon. This is a  
3 transcribed interview of the U.S. Secret Service Special  
4 Agent, **Witness**, and is being conducted by the Senate  
5 Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs and  
6 the Senate Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations.

7 This interview was requested by Committee Chairman  
8 Gary Peters, Ranking Member Rand Paul, as well as  
9 Subcommittee Chairman Richard Blumenthal and Ranking Member  
10 Ron Johnson. This is a part of the Committee's  
11 investigation of the July 13, 2024, assassination attempt  
12 on former President Trump, and the U.S. Secret Service  
13 planning in advance of and response related to the events  
14 in Butler, Pennsylvania, on July 13, 2024.

15 On July 25, 2024, Chairmen Peters, Blumenthal, and  
16 Ranking Members Paul and Johnson submitted written requests  
17 for voluntary transcribed interviews with U.S. Secret  
18 Service personnel, including **Witness**.

19 We are now going to provide introductions and then  
20 explain a bit of the rules and processes for how we'll  
21 proceed today. So if you could first, can you please state  
22 your name and your position, for the record.

23 **Witness**: **Witness**, Special Agent, the United  
24 States Secret Service.

25 **HSGAC Majority**: And I understand you have counsel with you



1 today, so I will pause to allow counsel to introduce  
2 themselves for the record.

3 MR. **Witness Counsel** Thank you. **Witness Counsel** outside  
4 counsel to the Federal Law Enforcement Officers  
5 Association, and in that capacity I represent **Witness**  
6 **█**.

7 MR. **Agency Counsel** Hi. **Agency Counsel**, Deputy Chief  
8 Counsel, United States Secret Service.

9 MR. **Agency Counsel** **Agency Counsel** Senior Oversight  
10 Counsel, Office of General Counsel, DHS.

11 **HSGAC Majority**: As I mentioned, there are four offices  
12 involved in this investigation, so we are going to  
13 introduce ourselves now so you know who is here today. And  
14 we'll endeavor, while we ask questions, to try and  
15 introduce ourselves again so you can put the name with the  
16 office.

17 My name is **HSGAC Majority**. I am the Chief Counsel and  
18 Chief Investigative Counsel for Chairman Gary Peters, the  
19 Chair of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental  
20 Affairs Committee. I am joined today by my colleagues,  
21 also with Chairman Peters, **HSGAC Majority**, our Senior  
22 Investigator; **HSGAC Majority**, our Senior Investigative  
23 Counsel; and **HSGAC Majority**, our Deputy Chief Counsel.

24 **HSGAC Minority**: Hi there. I'm **HSGAC Minority**, HSGAC  
25 minority with Ranking Member Paul. I'm Chief Counsel, and

1 I'm joined by my colleague [REDACTED].

2 [REDACTED] : [REDACTED] with Senator Paul.

3 [REDACTED] : Hi. I'm [REDACTED], Senior Counsel for  
4 Chairman Blumenthal on the Permanent Subcommittee on  
5 Investigations, majority.

6 [REDACTED] : Good afternoon, sir. My name is [REDACTED]  
7 [REDACTED]. I'm with Ranking Member Ron Johnson on the  
8 Permanent Subcommittee on Investigations. I'm joined today  
9 with [REDACTED], Chief Counsel.

10 [REDACTED] : During the interview we are going to do our  
11 best to limit the number of people asking questions at  
12 once, so you can hear the question clearly directed at you.  
13 And we are going to go in hour blocks, so we will take a  
14 break after the first hour and can consult, as needed, as  
15 we go forward.

16 The reporter is going to create verbatim responses for  
17 the record, and with that in mind we'd ask that you provide  
18 verbal responses so that your information can be recorded.  
19 Do you understand?

20 [REDACTED] : Yes, sir.

21 [REDACTED] : This interview is being conducted as a  
22 public interview, meaning we are not seeking classified  
23 information. Should any questions we ask elicit  
24 information that you know to be classified, please indicate  
25 that you cannot answer because of that. Try and be as



1 comprehensive as you can and specific as you can about the  
2 pieces you cannot answer, and try and answer what you can  
3 answer in a public setting so that we can have a complete  
4 record of what is publicly available. If necessary, we can  
5 adjourn and conduct any additional questions in a  
6 classified setting, if needed.

7 It's the Committee's practice to honor valid common  
8 law privileges, claims, as an accommodation to witnesses  
9 when those claims are made in good faith and are  
10 accompanied by a sufficient and explicit explanation  
11 accompanying any of the objections raised, so that we can  
12 evaluate the validity of that claim. So when deciding to  
13 honor privilege, we are going to weigh the need for our  
14 information against the legitimacy of the claim and the  
15 basis for withholding that information.

16 This interview today is occurring without prejudice to  
17 any future discussions the Committee may deem necessary, so  
18 we reserve the right to request your participation at a  
19 future date, if we need to.

20 If you have any questions about what we're asking, if  
21 the question itself is unclear, a compound question or  
22 difficult and you want it restated, we are more than happy  
23 to do so. Just please tell us and we'll be happy to do so.

24 You are required to provide truthful information when  
25 speaking before Congress. Do you understand that?

1           **Witness** : Yes, sir.

2           **HSGAC Majority**: This applies to questions posed by  
3 congressional staff in this interview today, and  
4 specifically, 18 USC 1001 makes it a crime to make any  
5 materially false, fictitious, or fraudulent statements or  
6 representations in the course of a congressional  
7 investigation, and this statute applies specifically to the  
8 questions we will be asking here today. Do you understand  
9 that?

10          **Witness** : Yes, sir.

11          **HSGAC Majority**: Is there any reason that you are unable to  
12 provide us today with any truthful answers?

13          **Witness** : No, sir.

14          **HSGAC Majority**: Thank you. Finally, We would ask that you  
15 not speak about what we discuss in this interview with  
16 anyone outside of this room today in order for us to  
17 preserve the integrity of our investigation. We would also  
18 ask that you not remove or make any copies of the  
19 photographs or exhibits we are going to use today. Do you  
20 understand that?

21          **Witness** : Yes, sir.

22          **HSGAC Majority**: We will provide your counsel with a copy of  
23 this transcript as soon as possible, and an errata sheet so  
24 that corrections can be made, so we have an accurate  
25 record. And with that we are about to begin, so I just

1 want to pause and see if you have any questions.

2 **Witness** : No, sir.

3 **HSGAC Majority**: We have, and will here offer the  
4 opportunity for you to provide any background information  
5 or opening statements, should you want. I will pause for  
6 that, should you want to make any opening.

7 **Witness** : No opening.

8 MR. **Agency Counsel** Thank you, **HSGAC Majority**. **Agency Counsel**, Deputy  
9 Chief Counsel, Secret Service. Something for the record.

10 The Secret Service and the Department of Homeland  
11 Security have made available to the Committee, consistent  
12 with requests from the Chairman, information records that  
13 would not be publicly released. This information includes  
14 information and records covered under the Privacy Act,  
15 personnel, and other personal privacy information, for  
16 official use only, intelligence and law enforcement  
17 sensitive records, as well as raw intelligence information.

18 While the Secret Service and the Department have made  
19 this information and records available to the Committee, we  
20 continue to assert that such information and any discussion  
21 of such information is not intended for public disclosure.

22 The Secret Service and the Department are not waiving  
23 any protections, and for the purposes of administrative  
24 efficiency and to promote constructive dialogue during this  
25 transcribed interview, are making this assertion at the

1    outset of the transcribed interview to preserve all  
2    assertions and protection from the public release or  
3    disclosure of information or records used or discussed  
4    during the transcribed interview.

5           The transcript and any attachments are protected from  
6    dissemination to the same extent as the documents and  
7    information they are based on. Please consult with the  
8    Secret Service and the Department prior to any public  
9    release or disclosure.

10           The Secret Service and the Department have not  
11    consented to, and were ensured by [HSGAC Majority] and others, that  
12    there would not be any audio or video recordings of this  
13    interview. We appreciate that. If the Committee intends  
14    to make any such recordings we ask you disclose that  
15    intention at that time.

16           The agencies understand the interview will be  
17    transcribed by a court reporter.

18           Thank you.

19           [HSGAC Majority]: And this is [HSGAC Majority] again. I have just -  
20    - we have just consulted with the court reporter and have  
21    confirmed there are no additional recordings being made,  
22    and our understanding is that the only recording is of the  
23    actual transcript for this interview itself. With respect  
24    to any notations, should they be law enforcement sensitive  
25    or otherwise, the Secret Service and DHS are invited to

1 make any notations they deem appropriate, and we will  
2 consider those notations as we discuss any public-facing  
3 effort of the Committee, either through hearing or report,  
4 that we intend to engage in, based on the information we  
5 learn today. We will be bound by, however, the Senate  
6 rules and the rules of this Committee in terms of what  
7 information we make public, and that will be the only two  
8 governing rules that bind us.

9 So just to be clear, we will intend to have a public-  
10 facing portion of our investigation, and we will be guided  
11 by the Senate and Committee rules as we do so. However, in  
12 addition to Committee rules we have a Committee practice  
13 which we will honor here, and that Committee practice is in  
14 advance of making any Committee records, any non-public  
15 information public, our practice is, and what we will do  
16 here, is we will provide excerpts of that non-public  
17 information in advance of public, and provide an  
18 opportunity to make any factual corrections.

19 MR. **Agency Counsel** Thank you. I appreciate that.

20 **HSGAC Majority**: And with that, **Witness**, we will turn to our  
21 questions, and thank you again for being here today.

22 **HSGAC Majority**: Good afternoon, **Witness**. We  
23 very much appreciate you being here today.

24 The structure of this interview will start with a  
25 question from the majority staff. We will ask questions

1 for an hour and then take a break at the hour, and then  
2 turn it over to our minority staff colleagues.

3 But first we'd like to begin with a question from all  
4 of us, which is can you first provide an overview of your  
5 role and responsibilities for the July 13th Butler rally  
6 and your efforts for the planning and security of the  
7 event.

8 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am. So first and foremost, and  
9 especially to do with the Secret Service, I am currently  
10 serving in the capacity of operator on our Counter Assault  
11 Team, or CAT for short, as I might frequently refer to it.  
12 So in the capacity of that event that day I was **LES**  
13 individuals on our CAT team that was assigned to former  
14 President Trump. I may also refer to him as **LES** It's  
15 his call sign, just for simplicity's sake. Apologies if I  
16 do.

17 Our mission, as the Counter Assault Team, is to  
18 divert, suppress, and neutralize any **LES**  
19 **LES** **LES**  
20 **LES** . **LES**  
21 **LES**  
22 **LES** . However, at a certain point when  
23 it's determined that the asset is necessary or warranted,  
24 we are then assigned to other protectees, as well. So we  
25 had ongoing coverage of **LES** at that time, and I was

1 currently assigned to him for an approximately three-week  
2 period of time, to include the day of the Butler rally.

3 In regard to any planning for that event, I was not  
4 involved in the direct advance planning of that. My  
5 counterpart, **CAT Advance Lead**, was assigned as the advance  
6 individual for that. So just like, as I'm sure you maybe  
7 have gathered now from your other interviews and whatnot,  
8 we will generally send people out ahead of time to conduct  
9 advances, pending other circumstances. In this particular  
10 instance, the advance for the CAT team was done  
11 telephonically, **LES**  
12 wherever he was located, which obviously was not at Butler,  
13 PA, until the day of the event.

14 But as far as planning for that event, I was more or  
15 less just a team member for that day, and I was not  
16 assigned as the advance person, so I did not take part in  
17 any planning ahead of that.

18 **HSGAC Majority**: How long have you been with the Secret  
19 Service?

20 **Witness**: I've been with the Secret Service since  
21 September of 2018, so almost six years. And I've been on  
22 the Counter Assault Team for, it'll be two years in  
23 December.

24 **HSGAC Majority**: You mentioned traveling with former  
25 President Trump beforehand. Can you describe your general



1 schedule and hours in the weeks preceding the Butler  
2 rally?

3 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am. So it fluctuated, depending on  
4 the protectee's schedule. So we were a **LES** element,  
5 working **LES**. There were **LES** other  
6 individuals that are on the CAT team that were with us for  
7 the duration of our visit. Generally, if the protectee,  
8 **LES** in this case, didn't have any movements, he was  
9 staying, like for instance, at his residence in Mar-a-Lago,  
10 **LES**  
11 **LES** Those are **LES** shifts. In  
12 instances when that would change is if there were **LES**  
13 **LES**. For instance, if he  
14 traveled to his golf course that's an hour away, we might  
15 just decide instead of **LES**  
16 **LES**  
17 **LES** or that window of coverage that we  
18 are assigned to him for. So it could fluctuate from an  
19 **LES** to possibly -- those hours flexed, depending  
20 on the schedule.

21 **HSGAC Majority**: When you work night shifts do you  
22 regularly work night shifts? How does that work? Do you  
23 switch off day and night?

24 **Witness** : Again, it depends on the schedule, because  
25 **LES** travels pretty frequently, or at least he did during

1 our three-week time span, and we are limited with the  
2 number of CAT agents that we have, we would have to launch  
3 guys ahead of time so that they were on ground, ready to,  
4 you know, [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED]

5 [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] and that we had a team there ahead of time  
6 to relieve the team that was currently working him.

7 So for example, if on Monday we know that [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] is  
8 going to be flying to Sterling, Virginia, [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED]

9 [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED]

10 [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED]

11 [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] you fly ahead to  
12 Virginia, and that way you guys are there, set up. So if  
13 we have a really late night and we don't land until, say,  
14 11 or midnight, then we already have a team there, ready to  
15 start working him on Tuesday, so we don't have to make a  
16 quick turnaround, you know, on little sleep, and start  
17 working him.

18 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: You also mentioned working a period of  
19 three-week shifts. Do you then get time off?

20 [REDACTED] Witness: So for this particular assignment it fell  
21 under our CNOS, or Candidate Nominee Operations Section.  
22 That is our section kind of responsible for organizing  
23 protection of our nominees, you know, every four years,  
24 once we kind of get to this election period. And those  
25 rotations, because we pull bodies from the field to work a

1 variety of aspects of that, that protection block,  
2 someone, you know, has decided that it makes more sense to,  
3 instead of pulling bodies in and out all the time to just  
4 have them on three-week rotations.

5 So in this instance, were the events of July 13th not  
6 to have happened, which resulted in subsequent  
7 administrative days to kind of get things back together in  
8 my life per se, I would've come home and just had my normal  
9 two days off that week and then rolled right back into, you  
10 know, the normal swing of things.

11 **HSGAC Majority**: When did you arrive in Butler?

12 **Witness**: I believe it was approximately -- it was  
13 between 4 and 5 p.m. I believe we arrived to the rally at  
14 about 6 p.m., and that was an hour-long drive. So I want  
15 to say it was in the 4-to-5 p.m. range on the 13th.

16 Sorry. I traveled with the protectee that day, since  
17 I was working in shift, or not shift but on the CAT team.

18 **HSGAC Majority**: Where were you coming from, and how did  
19 you arrive in Butler?

20 **Witness**: We were coming from West Palm Beach, and we  
21 arrived via [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED].

22 **HSGAC Majority**: And what happened after you arrived at  
23 the airport?

24 **Witness**: We arrived at the airport. We disembarked  
25 from the aircraft. [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] Our vehicles

1 and everything were already [REDACTED] there. And my  
2 partner linked up with our local tactical counterparts that  
3 we coordinated with ahead of time to be [REDACTED],  
4 just to do a quick face-to-face. And then we both got into  
5 our vehicle, designated for our CAT truck, and we started  
6 making our way to Butler.

7 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: And I'm sorry if I missed this. Were  
8 you part of the regular detail for former President Trump?

9 [REDACTED] Witness: No, ma'am.

10 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: So this is the Candidate Nominee  
11 section.

12 [REDACTED] Witness: Correct, yeah. This was a CNOS assignment.  
13 So yes, we're generally assigned [REDACTED] [REDACTED]  
14 [REDACTED], and then again, at a certain point, it is  
15 determined that CAT assets should be assigned. So we then  
16 fall into the mix of the CNOS. So we began several months  
17 ago having [REDACTED] [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] [REDACTED]-week rotations of other CAT agents  
18 pushing out there.

19 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: Do you know when the Secret Service  
20 determined that CAT teams were needed for the July 13th  
21 rally?

22 [REDACTED] Witness: I'm not sure if the distinction between when  
23 it was determined and when they were actually assigned is  
24 the same, but I will say I believe it was approximately May  
25 that we started assigning CAT agents to former President

1 Trump.

2 **HSGAC Majority**: Do you recall if you had your schedule  
3 at that time?

4 **Witness**: I know that our operations section put out a  
5 -- basically a blank template for the date ranges of those  
6 rotations, and at first put it open to volunteers, for  
7 whoever wanted to volunteer for that assignment. And then  
8 they would subsequently fill those empty spots with agents  
9 that were available.

10 So whenever that initially came out, yeah, they had a  
11 rough schedule. But again, that could fluctuate from the  
12 date of inception to when you got closer to those actual  
13 dates, pending our, you know, really hectic travel tempo  
14 with everything. So --

15 **HSGAC Majority**: Can you talk about the chain of command  
16 who you report to and who, if anyone, reports to you?

17 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am. So on the CAT team we're split  
18 up into **LES** squads, **LES** teams, so **LES** teams per squad.  
19 Within those teams those numbers can vary. But generally  
20 the structure would go like within -- so I'm on -- within  
21 my team we would have, you can have anywhere from **LES**  
22 **LES** **LES** **LES** that have gone through certain  
23 **LES** **LES** that have gone through certain  
24 training and had certain experiences to warrant them to  
25 receive that position. Generally, that would be the first

1 person I would approach about something. They could look  
2 at him as like an assistant manager, I guess. And then on  
3 each team you have [REDACTED] LES who is a team leader there, an  
4 ATSAC or assistant to the special agent in charge. They  
5 are the frontline supervisor for each team, and therefore  
6 there are [REDACTED] LES different supervisors.

7 Outside of that, I would not personally approach  
8 anybody unless directed to do so, higher than that. But  
9 then overall those teams, you would have the ASAC or the  
10 Assistant Special Agent in Charge, and that individual  
11 covers all of the Special Operations Division. So CAT  
12 falls under our Special Operations Division, so we have  
13 several other directorates that also fall under there. So  
14 above my team leader, it would then be the Special  
15 Operations Division ASAC, and then above him it would be  
16 the Special Agent in Charge, or SAC, of the Special  
17 Operations Division.

18 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: Who is the Assistant Special Agent in  
19 Charge of the Special Operations Division?

20 [REDACTED] Witness: His name is [REDACTED] ASAC Special Ops .

21 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: And then who does he report to? Who is  
22 the SAC?

23 [REDACTED] Witness: [REDACTED] ASAC Special Ops

24 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: Our understanding is that this was the  
25 first time, this being the July 13th Butler rally, was the

1 first time Secret Service sent CAT teams and counter  
2 snipers for someone other than [REDACTED] LES or an  
3 official candidate. Is that accurate?

4 [REDACTED] Witness : No, ma'am, that's not accurate.

5 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority : Can you talk about other times when this  
6 happened?

7 [REDACTED] Witness : I can speak to our Counter Assault Team  
8 directly. I had mentioned -- so we began coverage of  
9 former President Trump back in May, and that coverage did  
10 not drop from that time until the present. And there are  
11 frequently other times throughout any given year where the  
12 CAT team is utilized for other protectees. [REDACTED] LES

13 [REDACTED] LES

14 [REDACTED] LES we are assigned to [REDACTED] LES  
15 [REDACTED] LES depending on their threat level. And  
16 there are, quite often when we have [REDACTED] LES  
17 [REDACTED] LES we will be assigned to their details.

18 As far as the Counter Sniper Team, whether that was  
19 the first time those assets had been assigned to any  
20 former, I know that I was told that that was the first time  
21 we had counter sniper at a former President, or site for  
22 former President Trump. As far as like an overarching  
23 whether or not they've been at other sites I would say  
24 that's highly unlikely. For them to just only be at a  
25 [REDACTED] LES , there are



1 circumstances that would require them to be there.

2 **HSGAC Majority**: Did anyone from Secret Service or any  
3 other Federal agencies relay any specific threats to you in  
4 advance of the July 13th rally?

5 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

6 **HSGAC Majority**: Were you aware of any threats regarding  
7 Iran?

8 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

9 **HSGAC Majority**: And moving forward, I know you mentioned  
10 you were not involved in advance planning. I'll ask some  
11 higher-level questions. Just answer what you can.

12 **Witness** : Okay.

13 **HSGAC Majority**: We understand that CAT personnel, quote,  
14 "conduct thorough tactical advance planning and extensive  
15 coordination with the supporting tactical entities, defined  
16 on the website, to accomplish their mission," and you  
17 mentioned this in the beginning. Who were the tactical  
18 entities supporting the July 13th rally?

19 **Witness** : We had Pennsylvania State Police providing

20 **LES** tactical teams **LES** . **LES**

21 **LES**

22 **LES**

23 **LES**

24 We also had -- and apologies, I cannot recall the  
25 department that these assets were with, but we had **LES**

1 LES LES at the airport, and I believe we also had a  
2 LES  
3 LES  
4 LES  
5 LES as our -  
6 - per our mission LES  
7 LES to as to be pulled away from our mission with  
8 them.

9 At the Butler site I know we had our two two-man  
10 Secret Service Counter Sniper Teams. We also had two site-  
11 dedicated response teams there, and those, I believe, were  
12 provided by -- when I say that I know that some aspect of  
13 them were sourced by Butler County. I believe both of  
14 those teams were entirely sourced by Butler County, and  
15 then we also had one of their team leaders, upon arrival,  
16 linked up with my partner and I, to kind of plus-up our CAT  
17 team, per se.

18 HSGAC Majority: Who was that?

19 Witness: I don't recall his name at this time.

20 HSGAC Majority: When you refer to two, quote, "site-  
21 dedicated response teams," is that synonymous with the two  
22 local CAT teams?

23 Witness: In a sense. So they are -- we try to  
24 acquire site-dedicated response teams to, obviously, like  
25 in the event of Butler, PA, if some of our sites can be

1 quite large, a lot of space to cover, and we, as a CAT  
2 team, will never want to deviate too far from LES

3 LES . LES

4 LES

5 LES site-dedicated response teams are  
6 there so that we can maneuver them to different areas  
7 around our site so that LES

8 LES and then exfill with them when  
9 they -- you know, if we have to leave or we're leaving,  
10 while maybe a threat is still going on, just away at a  
11 further distance.

12 HSGAC Majority: For the site-dedicated response teams,  
13 let's say there is a threat of a suspicious person. Would  
14 it be their role to follow up on that?

15 Witness: No, ma'am. They would be utilized only for  
16 a direct or known threat to either LES or  
17 potentially other individuals that are attending the event.

18 HSGAC Majority: Have you been to Butler, Pennsylvania,  
19 before?

20 Witness: No, ma'am.

21 HSGAC Majority: Do you know if Secret Service and the  
22 advance planning relied on any prior planning documents  
23 from prior trips to Butler?

24 Witness: I do not know.

25 HSGAC Majority: And I just want to make sure you -- you

1 did not perform any site walkthroughs. Correct?

2 **Witness** : Correct.

3 **HSGAC Majority**: Did you receive any of the documents  
4 created to prepare for the planning and security of the  
5 event?

6 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

7 **HSGAC Majority**: What documents did you receive?

8 **Witness** : I received our Preliminary Survey, which is  
9 a comprehensive document that basically lists out all  
10 pertinent information on paper regarding our sites.

11 **HSGAC Majority**: Was a final survey conducted?

12 **Witness** : So in our, I guess, terminology is not --  
13 does not accurately define what the purposes of the papers  
14 are. So our prelim survey is not necessarily like a  
15 preliminary, as in unfinished. Quite frankly, I can't  
16 explain why that is the name of it. The final survey comes  
17 out after the visit, when basically they've confirmed a  
18 variety of different pieces of information that fall into  
19 place afterwards. That can be like confirming assets that  
20 helped to make sure that everything was accounted for.

21 **HSGAC Majority**: I see. So after every event that Secret  
22 Service staffs there is a final survey created after that  
23 event.

24 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am. I believe so.

25 **HSGAC Majority**: Who conducted the preliminary, or who

1 prepared the preliminary site survey?

2 **Witness** : So it is a -- we have a system called  
3 **LES** and in that, personnel involved in the  
4 advanced planning will have access to that, and they will  
5 go in and populate their information while they're  
6 conducting their advance. And the lead advance agent is  
7 kind of the owner of that advance, I guess, in that system,  
8 making sure people are turning stuff in on time and  
9 whatnot.

10 So once everything is populated and the information is  
11 entered in there, the system automatically generates the --  
12 turns everything into kind of cut-and-clean PDF files and  
13 then creates that survey, **LES**  
14 **LES** and then shared with, you know, the advance or  
15 other members that are going to be participating in that  
16 event that day.

17 **HSGAC Majority** : Do you know who prepared the preliminary  
18 site survey?

19 **Witness** : I would, based on protocols and --

20 MR. **Witness Counsel** Do you know who?

21 **Witness** : Yes.

22 MR. **Witness Counsel** All right. Tell everybody.

23 **Witness** : I can't recall her, or **Lead Agent**, the lead  
24 agent.

25 MS. EDGETTE: And you mentioned there was **LES** Secret

1 Service CAT team, and that consisted of [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED]

2 [REDACTED] CAT Advance Lead. Correct?

3 [REDACTED] Witness : Yes, ma'am.

4 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: Who determined where your CAT team would  
5 be positioned?

6 [REDACTED] Witness : It would be a combination between [REDACTED] CAT Advance Lead  
7 [REDACTED], and just how the site is built [REDACTED] LES  
8 [REDACTED] LES, kind of dictates where we ultimately end  
9 up. On that day, [REDACTED] CAT Advance and myself discussed amongst  
10 ourselves when we arrived on-site and were able to see what  
11 the final buildout of everything, of how we would position  
12 ourselves, [REDACTED] LES  
13 up in a position to respond. Thank you.

14 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: And I've marked the document that's  
15 being passed up to you as Exhibit 1. Do you recognize this  
16 document?

17 [REDACTED] [Exhibit No. 1 was  
18 [REDACTED] marked for identification.]

19 [REDACTED] Witness : Yes, ma'am.

20 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: Have you seen it before?

21 [REDACTED] Witness : Yes, ma'am. Not this document with the  
22 labels, as such. So no, I have not seen this particular  
23 document before.

24 [REDACTED] HSGAC Majority: Can you draw an X on where your CAT team  
25 was positioned that day?







1           **HSGAC Majority**: But if you turn to the third page,  
2 which is a closer diagram that shows the stage of the  
3 Butler rally, can you mark where the CAT team was  
4 positioned?

5           **Witness**: Yeah. So with the X I'll mark approximately  
6 where we were when we arrived with our vehicle. We  
7 disembarked, went through the tents, and ended up right  
8 here, where the circle is at. So we were on foot then.

9           **HSGAC Majority**: And once the CAT team is positioned,  
10 what is your role?

11          **Witness**: Our role would be to divert, suppress,  
12 neutralize any **LES**, to handle  
13 that threat accordingly.

14          **HSGAC Majority**: Okay. Does that entail looking around  
15 anywhere but the stage?

16          **Witness**: All Secret Service agents, in a sense, you  
17 know, we're all trained and kind of programmed to be aware  
18 and alert and considering our surroundings. But our role,  
19 particularly as the CAT team, we're kind of **LES**  
20 **LES**, so we're not -- our  
21 responsibility is **LES**  
22 **LES**.

23          **HSGAC Majority**: Did you receive any briefings before the  
24 event?

25          **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

1 **HSGAC Majority**: What briefings, and who gave them?

2 **Witness** : The morning of the events, the morning of  
3 the 13th, **C/S Team Lead** and I, or **C/S Team Lead** briefed me separately. We  
4 kind of just -- he discussed kind of from wheels down to  
5 the event, back to the aircraft for wheels up, what was  
6 going to be happening, what our tactical assets were going  
7 to be, logistics as far as coms and how we were going to be  
8 able to communicate with everyone, and what each unit's  
9 responsibility would be. And we looked at a diagram of the  
10 site, just to get a visual, so he could explain to me where  
11 everyone was going to be located, and kind of talk about  
12 what our general plan would be during certain movements,  
13 **LES** where we would be  
14 located.

15 And then when we were on the -- **LES**  
16 enroute to Butler, PA, we had a brief with the shift, so  
17 everyone working on the traveling shift that day went over  
18 the site, the movements, discussed our assets from a whole,  
19 and just kind of a brief game plan on -- from wheels down -  
20 - again, pretty much the same thing, from wheels down to  
21 wheels up what our movements would be.

22 **HSGAC Majority**: Who else from Secret Service was on the  
23 travel shift?

24 **Witness** : I'll try to remember the names the best I  
25 can.

1 HSGAC Majority: That was staffing the Butler rally.

2 Witness: So when you say staffing --

3 HSGAC Majority: Or securing.

4 Witness: Securing. So these individuals would have  
5 only been traveling. I don't believe the individuals that  
6 LES had any -- other than being briefed, I  
7 don't think they had any other direct --

8 HSGAC Majority: They didn't have any responsibilities --

9 Witness: For advanced planning.

10 HSGAC Majority: Understood. Okay. Or any  
11 responsibilities for securing the rally.

12 Witness: Not ahead of time. Their primary function  
13 would've been to the protectee LES  
14 LES But no, not securing the  
15 rally.

16 HSGAC Majority: Okay. You mentioned you were shown a  
17 diagram of the site. Did that depict the perimeter of the  
18 event?

19 Witness: It was actually the same diagram that, the  
20 second one that you showed me in the packet with the staple  
21 --

22 HSGAC Majority: Exhibit 2, the closeup of the stage.

23 Witness: Yes. So those diagrams, assuming they're  
24 the same versions, not edited, that those would have been  
25 in the Preliminary Survey, and those are the documents --

1 or excuse me -- visuals that I would have been briefed  
2 on.

3 **HSGAC Majority**: So referring to Exhibit 2, page 2, this  
4 is a diagram of the general perimeter of the event.  
5 Correct?

6 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

7 **HSGAC Majority**: And did you have any concerns, or  
8 actually, who was in charge, if you know, of determining  
9 the perimeter of the event?

10 **Witness**: I do not recall the site agent's name, but  
11 it would've been a person assigned as the site agent to  
12 secure or advance that particular site.

13 **HSGAC Majority**: Would it have been the lead agent or the  
14 site agent?

15 **Witness**: It would have been the site agent.

16 **HSGAC Majority**: Would it have been **Site Agent** ?

17 **Witness**: I don't remember the name of the individual.

18 **HSGAC Majority**: When you looked at the diagram in  
19 advance did you have any concerns, if you recall/

20 MR. **Witness Counsel** Okay. Hold it. You're trying to  
21 recreate his state of mind at the time of the incident.

22 **HSGAC Majority**: Just asking if he recalled having any  
23 concerns.

24 MR. **Witness Counsel** Okay. At the time you were there --

25 **HSGAC Majority**: Not in hindsight.

1 MR. **Witness Counsel** -- did you have any concerns?

2 **Witness** : No.

3 MR. **Witness Counsel** Okay.

4 **HSGAC Majority**: To your knowledge -- and I understand  
5 that you were not involved in the event planning -- but to  
6 your knowledge, did anyone raise concerns about the AGR  
7 building or a building that was unsecure?

8 MR. **Witness Counsel** At the time that you were there, did  
9 anybody raise any concerns?

10 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

11 **HSGAC Majority**: Had you worked with **CAT Advance Lead**  
12 before?

13 **Witness** : Yes, I have.

14 **HSGAC Majority**: And you mentioned communications. What  
15 radio communication were you on?

16 **Witness** : So I have -- on the Counter Assault Team we  
17 frequently run two different radios that we can operate on  
18 a TAC channel, which for this instance was **Channel** And then  
19 our other radio will be on the shift's channel, which for  
20 this visit was **Channel**

21 **HSGAC Majority**: Did state or local law enforcement have  
22 any insight into those channels?

23 **Witness** : Yes. Our **LES**  
24 radios set to our **Channel** channel, and it was also set to  
25 scan the **Channel** channel, which means -- and I don't mean to



1 insult anybody's intelligence -- it's set to **Channel** which  
2 means that if you pushed to talk you would communicate with  
3 anybody on **Channel** but for anyone else that's on the **Channel**  
4 channel, any communications they put out would be picked up  
5 on the radio, but it would just be auditory. They would  
6 not be able to respond, the local TAC team, in that  
7 instance.

8 **HSGAC Majority**: Were you able to tap into any state or  
9 local radio communications?

10 **Witness**: No, ma'am. Our communications with our  
11 state team was going to be through our Secret Service  
12 radio, and then the Butler ESU team, that's why we had one  
13 of their commanders in bed with us upon arrival. He would  
14 be our direct link to communicating with the Butler  
15 response teams.

16 **HSGAC Majority**: So if a state or local law enforcement  
17 officer had a concern, how would they get in touch with  
18 you?

19 **Witness**: For this visit, the state team, which is our  
20 **LES**, would get in touch with us via our  
21 Secret Service radio, or cellphone as a secondary, and then  
22 the Butler team would get in touch with us via their TAC  
23 commander that was directly embedded with us.

24 **HSGAC Majority**: Just a clarifying question. Did anyone  
25 in -- did any Secret Service agents securing that event



1 have a direct line of communication to state and local  
2 law enforcement?

3 **Witness** : If they would have switched over to -- to  
4 our Counter Sniper Teams would have, because they, at least  
5 they should be on **Channel** as well. They run two radios such  
6 as we do, and we always typically brief to have a shared  
7 TAC channel for all TAC assets, or at least those that have  
8 Secret Service radios. I can't speak to if any other  
9 entities, Secret Service entities, at the visit had any  
10 form of communication set up or redundancies, to get in  
11 touch with local or state assets.

12 **HSGAC Majority** : When did you first learn about the  
13 suspicious person with a rangefinder at the event?

14 **Witness** : Not until after the event, per that specific  
15 information.

16 **HSGAC Majority** : So were you aware that local law  
17 enforcement lost sight of a suspicious person with a  
18 rangefinder at the event?

19 **Witness** : No.

20 **HSGAC Majority** : Were you involved in or aware of any  
21 discussions to take former President Trump offstage?

22 **Witness** : No, ma'am. Or not until after the shooting  
23 started. But nothing prior to that.

24 **HSGAC Majority** : Did you hear any reports about a man on  
25 a roof?

1           **Witness** : No, ma'am.

2           **HSGAC Majority**: This is **HSGAC Majority** with Chairman  
3 Peters. Special Agent, I have a couple of follow-ups on  
4 what you were just talking about with **HSGAC Majority**. Just to be  
5 clear, you said that there was a local team leader or  
6 commander embedded with your tactical team.

7           **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

8           **HSGAC Majority**: So that person was with you throughout  
9 the day, or throughout your time on the site of the rally?

10          **Witness** : Correct, just at Butler, and subsequently  
11 for the remainder of the day after that, because of the  
12 events that happened.

13          **HSGAC Majority**: So they were physically stationed in the  
14 same place?

15          **Witness** : Yes, ma'am. Immediately upon arrival, that  
16 individual joined up with us, got in our vehicle, and was  
17 basically in our hip pocket for the rest of the visit.

18          **HSGAC Majority**: And you say you don't recall who that  
19 individual -- the name of that individual?

20          **Witness** : I do not, no. I spoke with him once after,  
21 and I don't recall his name.

22          **HSGAC Majority**: And just back to the radios and the  
23 communications, you had said that Secret Service had two  
24 channels, a tactical channel, **Channel** and a shift channel,  
25 **Channel** Could you just, just for our edification, describe

1 who is on a shift channel? Would that be the detail  
2 agents or the post-standers?

3 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am, the detail agents.

4 **HSGAC Majority** : So all of the CAT and counter snipers  
5 would be on the tactical channel?

6 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

7 **HSGAC Majority** : And then the detail agents on the shift  
8 channel. And what about the post-standers?

9 **Witness** : They are generally on a separate channel,  
10 and I believe for this event they were on **Channel** channel  
11 **Channel**

12 **HSGAC Majority** : And that's also a Secret Service radio  
13 frequency?

14 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

15 **HSGAC Majority** : And you had said that -- and actually, I  
16 didn't quite catch what you said, so if you don't mind  
17 repeating what you said about the ability of local law  
18 enforcement to access one of the Secret Service channels.

19 **Witness** : Yeah. For this particular visit, like  
20 within the scope of a tactical response, which is, you  
21 know, CAT's mission, our **LES** team, our  
22 Pennsylvania State Police troopers, they had one of our  
23 Secret Service radios, so they had direct communications.  
24 And then our only communication method with Butler would  
25 have been through the TAC commander that was embedded with

1 our team.

2 **HSGAC Majority**: All right. Thank you.

3 **HSGAC Majority**: Earlier, in response to the questions about  
4 whether CAT or CS, counter snipers, had previously been  
5 deployed for an event for **LES**, you had said  
6 that is not the case for CAT. But with respect to counter  
7 snipers you were told that this was the first event. Is  
8 that --

9 **Witness**: For former President Trump, during this  
10 campaign cycle, the CNOS coverage, since CNOS coverage had  
11 begun.

12 **HSGAC Majority**: And when was that information relayed to  
13 you?

14 **Witness**: If I remember correctly it was in the week  
15 leading up to the event when I was told that, you know, I  
16 believe by it would've been **CAT Advance**, that we're getting a  
17 counter sniper advance individual for this.

18 **HSGAC Majority**: So prior to July 13th.

19 **Witness**: Yes, sir.

20 **HSGAC Majority**: Do you have any more specificity you can  
21 provide?

22 **Witness**: In regards to -- I'm not sure --

23 **HSGAC Majority**: When you were told.

24 **Witness**: Oh, it would've been within a week prior.

25 **HSGAC Majority**: Within the week. Did the fact that this

1 counter sniper element was being added impact your  
2 understanding of any threat?

3 **Witness** : No.

4 **HSGAC Majority** : Did the fact that this counter sniper  
5 element was being added impact your assessment of the way  
6 you needed to address your responsibilities during that  
7 day?

8 **Witness** : No.

9 **HSGAC Majority** : And did the fact that this counter sniper  
10 element was being added have any impact on your, or  
11 discussions to the event you had them, **CAI Advance Lead**,  
12 considerations of positioning or tactics you needed to be  
13 prepared for that day?

14 **Witness** : No, sir. It just would've dictated our  
15 communications plan and just knowing that we now have  
16 direct communications with two sniper elements that are  
17 from our, you know, our own agency.

18 **HSGAC Majority** : And I may have missed this, but in response  
19 to **HSGAC Majority**'s questions about the communications  
20 channels, which channel were the counter snipers on?

21 **Witness** : **Channel**

22 **HSGAC Majority** : **Channel**

23 **Witness** : And they likely also would've been on the  
24 shift's channel, which was **Channel**

25 **HSGAC Majority** : You had, just to clarify, said that the

1 individual responsible for Preliminary Survey was  
2 **Lead Agent**. Is that **Lead Agent**, to your knowledge?

3 **Witness** : Yes.

4 **HSGAC Majority** : Did that Preliminary Survey provide any  
5 novel information, any information for Butler that was not  
6 a part of information you had taken into account for  
7 planning you had done in other events, to your knowledge?

8 **Witness** : Not to my knowledge.

9 **HSGAC Majority** : And last question from me on this line of  
10 questioning. We've discussed -- you detailed the various  
11 briefings you had, and one of them was **LES** to the  
12 event. For individuals that would've had responsibilities  
13 for protection outside of the **LES** you  
14 described, just so I understand you correctly, other than  
15 yourself there were no other elements that were getting  
16 that briefing.

17 **Witness** : No, sir. I know there was a briefing the  
18 night before, conducted via Teams, with advance personnel.  
19 Then there were likely other individuals involved in that  
20 briefing. But there was a briefing the night before.

21 **HSGAC Majority** : And you were on that briefing?

22 **Witness** : I was not, no. That would've --

23 **HSGAC Majority** : Not -- not via phone teams or otherwise?

24 **Witness** : No. My partner, **CAT Advance Lead**, was on that.

25 **HSGAC Majority** : And did he relay any information to you

1 from that briefing?

2 **Witness** : No. His role in that would've been to brief  
3 on his tactical response, and he did not -- or our tactical  
4 plan and support -- and he did not relay any additional  
5 information other than what him and I had talked about.  
6 However, when <sup>CAT Advance LES</sup> and I briefed it was the following  
7 morning, so if there was any information gleaned from that,  
8 it would've just to me seemed like his initial brief to  
9 myself, so I wouldn't have been able to delineate between  
10 information he gathered from that.

11 **HSGAC Majority** : And did you relay information from the  
12 briefing <sup>LES</sup>, any new information in addition to  
13 that briefing that dictated any of your preparations for  
14 the day?

15 **Witness** : No, sir. Just, I think, we got maybe a  
16 better count on the number of people that were at the  
17 event, so just for our own awareness, to know what we were  
18 walking into.

19 **HSGAC Majority** : What was the count, to your --

20 **Witness** : I believe it was 12,000.

21 **HSGAC Majority** : Did you interact at all with the local  
22 CAT team?

23 **Witness** : When you say CAT teams, are you referring to  
24 like the other response teams, or was there a specific team  
25 that also went by like CAT?

1           **HSGAC Majority**: Are you aware there were **LES** local CAT  
2 teams at the event?

3           **Witness**: So I know of our **LES** response teams that  
4 were assigned to us. Are those the ones that you're  
5 referring to?

6           **HSGAC Majority**: Could you speak more about them, so we  
7 can understand if we're talking about the same thing?

8           **Witness**: Yeah. So I guess we use the term CAT  
9 specifically to refer to like the Secret Service's Counter  
10 Assault Team.

11          **HSGAC Majority**: Okay.

12          **Witness**: The **LES** response teams, I believe that we're  
13 both talking about, those would have been our response  
14 dedicated teams. So their call signs on-site would've been

15 **LES** -- I can't recall the numbers at this time. I  
16 have conducted several advances since then, so my brain has  
17 been overloaded with other sites and whatnot. But they  
18 would have been numbered subsequently, like **LES**

19 **LES** So on that diagram that you shared with me it  
20 would've been the teams that are labeled "Local TAC" on  
21 there.

22           So they operated in the capacity of the CAT team, I  
23 guess, but they would be site-dedicated response teams is  
24 how we would refer to them.

25          **HSGAC Majority**: How does their role differ from the



1 Secret Service CAT team?

2 **Witness** : They are, more or less, dedicated to that  
3 site, so in no instance -- or not in no instance, I should  
4 say -- they would be -- they are an asset that we put there  
5 to -- that we can essentially -- and this is going to sound  
6 bad -- not leave behind, but leave there to handle the  
7 problem so that we can evacuate the area if there was a  
8 threat. [REDACTED] LES

9 [REDACTED] LES

10 [REDACTED] LES

11 [REDACTED] LES

12 [REDACTED] LES . And all the  
13 meanwhile we can then maneuver those local teams. They can  
14 reach further out. [REDACTED] LES

15 [REDACTED] LES

16 [REDACTED] LES . So they just have a little  
17 more maneuverability than we would.

18 **HSGAC Majority** : Prior to the event, did you receive a  
19 copy of the local Butler ESU Operations Plan?

20 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

21 **HSGAC Majority** : You mentioned the Site Response Team.  
22 Is this the same as the Quick Reaction Force, the QRF?  
23 Does that ring a bell?

24 **Witness** : I do not believe so.

25 **HSGAC Majority** : Okay.

1       **Witness** : It does ring a bell. I heard mention that  
 2 once -- I do not believe that is within one of those **LES**  
 3 response teams that I was referencing.

4       **HSGAC Majority**: And I'm sorry. I think you addressed  
 5 this before, but I can't remember the answer. Who  
 6 determined where the CAT team, your CAT team, would be  
 7 positioned? Was it you and **CAT Advance Lead** , or was it  
 8 **CAT Advance Lead** , or someone else?

9       **Witness** : It would be a combination of myself and  
 10 **CAT Advance Lead** and how the site is built out and our  
 11 protectee's movements. We typically remain **LES**  
 12 **LES** . However, you know, that can  
 13 change if we're in a certain location **LES**  
 14 **LES**  
 15 **LES**  
 16 **LES** .

17       **HSGAC Majority**: After the shots were fired, what did you  
 18 do?

19       **Witness** : Myself, **CAT Advance Lead** , we exited the tent, and I  
 20 saw **CAT Advance Lead** and our local TAC counterpart. I had -- so for  
 21 context, we have helmets on. We have what's called  
 22 **LES** . They are basically kind of **LES**  
 23 **LES** **LES**  
 24 **LES** So noise can  
 25 kind of blend together. However, I was pretty certain that

1 the shots were coming from the 3 o'clock or stage right.  
2 As far as a distance or the proximity it was hard to pin  
3 down.

4 We exited the tent. I set up -- I took cover behind a  
5 crane or some fixture that was maybe 10 feet or so just  
6 outside of the tent, and for several seconds scanned the  
7 area outside of the fence, towards where the AGR building  
8 was. I did not see any activity or any indicators to draw  
9 my attention, or where a threat or that there was an active  
10 threat. At that point in time it wasn't clear (a) if they  
11 were shots, or if they were fireworks or some other  
12 distraction, or how far out they were.

13 So after several seconds of not having any indicators  
14 or anything bringing to my attention, my attention went  
15 back to where our protectee, our shift would be. So at  
16 that point I made my way in front of the stage. I set up  
17 there on ground level. I guess it would be like at the  
18 front right corner of the stage, kind of scanning the crowd  
19 to see if I could get any other indicators of a potential  
20 threat, or what was going on. Nothing transpired, so  
21 that's when I made my way to the stairs on the left, stage  
22 left, linked up with CAT Advance and our TAC counterpart. We made  
23 our way up onto the stage and spread out to kind of cover  
24 as much space as we could with only LES people. Again,  
25 still scanning for threats.

1           And we started to kind of make verbal -- hear verbal  
2 cues from the shift behind us that they were going to get  
3 **LES** up and that the cars are ready and we were going to  
4 make our way to the cars. So at that point I kept glancing  
5 back over my shoulder to just see what the status was, and  
6 once I saw them starting to get **LES** up I made my way back  
7 to the stairs so that we could kind of have **LES**  
8 **LES** **LES**  
9 **LES** And that's what we did, and we got him there  
10 and got in the cars and left for the hospital.

11           **HSGAC Majority**: Who were the operators who jumped up on  
12 stage to protect former President Trump after the shots  
13 were fired?

14           **Witness**: When you say operators are you referring to  
15 the CAT team members or like the shift members?

16           **HSGAC Majority**: Both.

17           **Witness**: Both. I can't recall specifically of who  
18 exactly the shift was. I believe nearly all of the shift  
19 personnel jumped onstage. Myself and **CAT Advance** and our local TAC  
20 counterpart ended up on stage, as well, after the actions  
21 that I just described.

22           **HSGAC Majority**: Did you have any notice, warning, any  
23 concerns that you received before shots were fired?

24           **Witness**: Approximately several minutes prior to the  
25 shots being fired our CS team put out on the radio that

1 local police were addressing something at the 3 o'clock.  
2 I believe they said approximately 200 yards out. [REDACTED] and I  
3 popped our head out of the tent, just to look in that  
4 direction, see if there was any type of commotion or  
5 activity that would give us more insight into maybe what  
6 was going on. We didn't see anything that stole our  
7 attention. When we popped back in the tent we asked our  
8 TAC counterpart if he had heard anything being put out on  
9 his radios. He said that they just said that they were  
10 dispatching a QRF to that area, and that was all the  
11 information.

12 **HSGAC Majority**: What radio frequency did you receive the  
13 information?

14 **Witness**: I'm not sure. Again, we run both our  
15 radios. I have mine set up so I can hear them better, so  
16 each radio plays through both ears. Some guys will have it  
17 set up so one comes in through the other, but it wasn't  
18 clear.

19 **HSGAC Majority**: So it was either **Channel** or **Channel**

20 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

21 **HSGAC Majority**: Are you aware of any local law  
22 enforcement officers firing their weapons at the shooter?

23 **Witness**: Not until after the event, no. So yeah,  
24 during, no, I was not.

25 **HSGAC Majority**: Do you recall when you arrived at the

1 event or any time during the event seeing any drones?

2 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

3 **HSGAC Majority**: Were there, to your knowledge, were  
4 there any U.S. Secret Service policies, protocols that day  
5 that were not followed or deviated from?

6 **Witness** : Not to my knowledge.

7 **HSGAC Majority**: To your knowledge, have any Secret  
8 Service personnel involved in the July 13th event been  
9 removed from duty, reassigned, placed on leave, or  
10 terminated?

11 **Witness** : No, ma'am, not to my knowledge.

12 **HSGAC Majority**: And you mentioned you learned after the  
13 event that a local law enforcement officer fired their  
14 weapon at the shooter. What did you learn?

15 **Witness** : So this would've been in subsequent days and  
16 weeks that followed. I was told that our Counter Sniper  
17 Team had taken the shot that had killed the shooter. I  
18 recently was notified that there may have been a local  
19 tactical officer that had taken a shot at the shooter prior  
20 to CS shooting. That's been one instance in which I've  
21 heard that. But again, that was all after the fact.

22 **HSGAC Majority**: And just based on your work, are there  
23 any Secret Service policies or procedures that you think  
24 should be reevaluated or changed?

25 MR. **Witness Counsel** I'm going to direct you not to answer



1 that.

2 **HSGAC Majority**: Just looking back on that day, or not  
3 looking back on that day -- let me strike that. Is there  
4 anything else you'd like to share about the event, that we  
5 haven't discussed today?

6 MR. **Witness Counsel** You could answer the question.

7 **Witness**: Yeah, nothing else to add.

8 **HSGAC Majority**: Let me check and see if my colleagues  
9 have any follow-up. Thank you for your time.

10 **Witness**: Thank you.

11 **HSGAC Majority**: Thank you. I do have a follow-up on  
12 something you said recently. When you were talking about  
13 the radio communication you received saying that local law  
14 enforcement was addressing something, you said that you  
15 asked your local -- the local tactical officer who was  
16 embedded with you if he had heard anything on his radio.  
17 Is that correct?

18 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

19 **HSGAC Majority**: And your recollection is that he said  
20 something about their QRF team being activated?

21 **Witness**: Dispatched.

22 **HSGAC Majority**: Dispatched. But he specifically  
23 mentioned the QRF team?

24 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

25 **HSGAC Majority**: And at the time what was your

1 understanding of what the QRF team -- or what did -- let  
2 me take a second. Did you have any specific understanding  
3 at the time of when that local QRF team would be activated,  
4 or under what circumstances?

5 **Witness** : As far as I was tracking at that moment, we  
6 didn't have -- the CAT team didn't have like a QRF team  
7 assigned to us to dispatch or utilize. So it was evident  
8 that that must have been a site-dedicated team to another  
9 entity or it could've been dedicated to the site.  
10 Sometimes at sites they will have quasi-tactical elements  
11 that are not assigned to CAT to be dispatched in a variety  
12 of other reasons, whether it's civil disturbance or  
13 something that's maybe way outside of our area of concern,  
14 as far as the CAT team goes.

15 So at that moment, as far as the QRF being dispatched,  
16 just told me that there must be another entity of piece of  
17 our security that was utilizing a QRF to investigate the --

18 **HSGAC Majority** : And do you recall anything else that the  
19 local officer relayed at the time?

20 **Witness** : No. No further information.

21 **HSGAC Majority** : And I'm just curious. I know you said  
22 you didn't recall the name, but is it possible that it was  
23 an officer named Butler ESU Asst. Commander? Does that sound familiar?

24 **Witness** : I know I have his phone number in my phone.  
25 I, honestly, probably couldn't even guess to look it up



1 right now. But yeah, I don't recall.

2 **HSGAC Majority**: That's completely fair. I think that's  
3 all I had right now. Thank you.

4 **HSGAC Majority**: I know we're coming up on the hour, so  
5 let's take a break and reconvene in about five minutes.  
6 Thank you.

7 [Recess.]

8 **HSGAC Minority**: All right. We'll go ahead and get  
9 started. Thanks again for coming in. My name is **HSGAC Minority**  
10 **[REDACTED]**, again, and I am with Ranking Member Paul. We're  
11 going to jump around. I'll try to do questions in buckets.  
12 But we'll jump around a little bit, if that's okay with  
13 you.

14 So I'm going to start with some just general  
15 questions. So how many events have you worked in your time  
16 with Secret Service, and then in your time as a CAT team  
17 member?

18 **Witness**: A lot, in various capacities, as well. As  
19 far as -- I'd probably be able to more accurately speak to  
20 my time on CAT, just as it's more relevant and hasn't been  
21 as long of duration. I think I've conducted approximately,  
22 I'd say, nine or ten advances as a CAT agent, and I've  
23 worked numerous, more than nine or ten visits just as a  
24 working team member. So I'm not doing the advance. I'm  
25 just there as, you know, part of the CAT team.

1       **HSGAC Minority**: So kind of what you were -- your role  
2 at this event.

3       **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

4       **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And had you previously done any  
5 CAT advance or participated as a team member for any of  
6 Trump's former events?

7       **Witness** : Yes. During that CNOS rotation, when we  
8 went to Sterling, Virginia, for a several days I was  
9 responsible for advancing the golf course and **LES**  
10 that he stayed in, **LES**.

11       **HSGAC Minority**: And was that part of the three-week  
12 period that you were --

13       **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

14       **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And previously, had you ever done  
15 any work --

16       **Witness** : Not for former President Trump. No, ma'am.

17       **HSGAC Minority**: Any other former Presidents?

18       **Witness** : No, ma'am, I don't believe so.

19       **HSGAC Minority**: And I kind of want to go into a little  
20 bit the difference between staffing and resources for a  
21 candidate. You said it was a candidate nominee section.

22       **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

23       **HSGAC Minority**: That's a separate section. Okay. So  
24 how do you, I guess, start receiving protection under that  
25 section?

1       **Witness** : I believe it's a committee -- I think it's  
2 a congressional committee or it involves several different  
3 personnel. I believe there's a DHS representative. There  
4 are several different representatives in there that  
5 ultimately make that decision of when an individual  
6 warrants or gets Secret Service protection.

7       **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And so at that time, at the time  
8 of the event on July 13th, former President Trump was not  
9 the actual nominee yet, but he was receiving coverage under  
10 that section.

11       **Witness** : Correct. So he was receiving coverages from  
12 the Secret Service already because of his status as a  
13 former President. Former Presidents and their spouses will  
14 receive Secret Service protection for life, should they so  
15 choose.

16       **HSGAC Minority**: And when did his protection move to the  
17 candidate nominee section?

18       **Witness** : I can't speak officially. I know like as  
19 far as for how we kind of categorize it as CAT and labeled  
20 that assignment, it could've been different than when they  
21 actually began CNOS coverage. We called it that just  
22 because it's a term that we know throughout the agency, so  
23 we knew it was coming, or likely coming, so they just kind  
24 of labeled that within our division as CNOS. And again, I  
25 think I said, the month I gave earlier was May. I believe

1 that's when we started, CAT-wise, started providing  
2 coverage to former President Trump.

3 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And was that continuous coverage,  
4 or was that any CAT coverage?

5 **Witness**: Continuous CAT coverage. So from the day  
6 that we started it we had CAT agents on him at all times.

7 **HSGAC Minority**: You're really helping me understand  
8 this, so I apologize if my questions are --

9 **Witness**: That's okay.

10 **HSGAC Minority**: -- dumb. So are CAT agents always  
11 assigned for continuous coverage, or could you have a site-  
12 specific CAT team?

13 **Witness**: It can. I'd say it fluctuates. **LES**  
14 on **LES** It's based on the event, the threat  
15 considerations. Generally, though, we wouldn't -- I would  
16 say like we wouldn't just like show up to an event. We  
17 would be with a protectee, **LES**  
18 **LES**.

19 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And how many CAT agents are there  
20 within Secret Service?

21 **Witness**: I believe it is somewhere in the **LES**  
22 **LES** CAT agents that are in D.C., that are  
23 permanent or full-time CAT agents. I believe we have  
24 another **LES**  
25 program. So those are CAT agents that have since rotated

1 off their detail time or their full-time protection  
2 phase, and they have the ability to maintain their  
3 certifications and their qualifications, and then they can  
4 assist us by supplementing for our manpower needs with our  
5 protective tempo and whatnot throughout the country.

6 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then are all CAT agents, is  
7 their main assignment post in D.C.?

8 **Witness** : Yes.

9 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. That's helpful. You mentioned  
10 threat considerations as something that could impact  
11 whether or not a CAT team is assigned, so I wanted to go  
12 off of that and talk a little bit about just general  
13 intelligence. Do you have a security clearance?

14 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

15 **HSGAC Minority**: What level?

16 **Witness** : **LES** .

17 **HSGAC Minority**: And is that typical for CAT agents?

18 **Witness** : Yes.

19 **HSGAC Minority**: Is it a requirement, that you're aware  
20 of?

21 **Witness** : We're read in on certain things regarding  
22 security postures or measures of certain structures that we  
23 typically frequent. So yeah, I would say you don't have an  
24 option to not be privy to that information, so yeah, it's  
25 required.

1 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Have you ever received  
2 classified information regarding a protectee or an event  
3 that you're going to work?

4 **Witness**: I received a briefing one time during a -- I  
5 conducted a lead advance for a protectee **LES**  
6 **LES** I can't recall. I believe that information was  
7 classified, as I received it in a SCIF. That was several  
8 years ago, unrelated to this event.

9 **HSGAC Minority**: So only one time?

10 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am. I believe so.

11 **HSGAC Minority**: So it sounds like it's not very frequent  
12 that intelligence is provided to CAT?

13 **Witness**: Classified intelligence.

14 **HSGAC Minority**: Classified intelligence? Okay. But you  
15 may receive other open-source intelligence?

16 **Witness**: Or law enforcement sensitive.

17 **HSGAC Minority**: Do you receive that kind of intelligence  
18 frequently?

19 **Witness**: Yes. We frequently receive law enforcement-  
20 sensitive information.

21 **HSGAC Minority**: And where does that information come  
22 from?

23 **Witness**: It could come from a variety of sources.  
24 It's a predominantly, you know, any intelligence or other  
25 law enforcement agency or internally within our own agency.

1 **HSGAC Minority**: And how is it communicated to you?

2 **Witness**: It could be any variety of means through  
3 which information is shared, whether that's face-to-face,  
4 phone call, emails, sharing a document.

5 **HSGAC Minority**: Is there one way that occurs more often,  
6 or is it pretty varied?

7 **Witness**: I guess I would say most likely it would be  
8 in document format. It's easier to label something as  
9 such, because we do handle law enforcement-sensitive  
10 information, you know, in a particular manner. We make  
11 sure to take extra care to not let it fall out of, or  
12 share, disseminate to non-law enforcement entities or  
13 anybody that's, you know, directly bolstering our security  
14 posture for a visit.

15 **HSGAC Minority**: Is there a title for that type of  
16 document?

17 **Witness**: It would just be labeled "law enforcement  
18 sensitive."

19 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And you'd receive that in advance  
20 of the event, or taking on the protectee?

21 **Witness**: Yeah. I mean, we would frequently receive  
22 law enforcement-sensitive information, you know, in the  
23 days, weeks leading up to, during, and after events.

24 **HSGAC Minority**: And did you receive any law enforcement-  
25 sensitive information prior to the rally?

1           **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

2           **HSGAC Minority**: You did.

3           **Witness** : Yes.

4           **HSGAC Minority**: Can you provide additional detail on  
5 that?

6           **Witness** : Yeah. So like the Preliminary Survey that  
7 they discussed, like any diagrams, such as the one in the  
8 packet there, like that would all be considered law  
9 enforcement-sensitive information.

10          **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. I was kind of taking more about  
11 threat information. Did you receive any law enforcement-  
12 sensitive threat information?

13          **Witness** : No specific, nothing specific to that, that  
14 day of visit.

15          **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Let's see. So who decides how  
16 many Secret Service CAT team members are assigned to, let's  
17 say, let's start with continuous coverage. How is that  
18 determined?

19          **Witness** : That, I believe, is a somewhere higher above  
20 than I am within the Secret Service, that those decisions  
21 are made.

22          **HSGAC Minority**: And then the same for an event, a  
23 particular event?

24          **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

25          **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Is there a typical number that



1 are assigned, if you're providing continuous coverage, or  
2 it fluctuates?

3 **Witness** : If we're working the President of the United  
4 States we generally have a **LES** team, for the Vice  
5 President, at least prior to the events of the 13th and  
6 prior to Vice President Harris taking the nomination, she  
7 would've received a **LES** team. And then generally,  
8 historically, with former President Trump prior to the  
9 events of the 13th, CNOS, a protective unit like the CNOS  
10 branch or label would receive a **LES** team.

11 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And former Presidents, what would  
12 they typically receive, so not under CNOS.

13 **Witness** : **LES** **LES**  
14 **LES** I am aware of events in the past, you  
15 know, depending on the circumstances, the number of people,  
16 et cetera, there very may have well been instances where a  
17 **LES**  
18 **LES** .

19 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And Harris receiving **LES**  
20 CAT team, that would be because she's the current Vice  
21 President?

22 **Witness** : Yes. Correct.

23 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. So President and Vice President  
24 typically receive that.

25 **Witness** : Yes. During the duration of my time on CAT

1 they have received coverage every day.

2 **HSGAC Minority**: And what about the First Lady?

3 **Witness**: I believe she -- I know she has received  
4 coverage from the CAT team before. [REDACTED] LES

5 LES [REDACTED].

6 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay.

7 **Witness**: [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] LES

8 LES [REDACTED], LES [REDACTED]

9 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. I'm going to introduce an  
10 exhibit. We'll pass that around. It's a manpower request.

11 [Exhibit No. 3 was  
12 marked for identification.]

13 **HSGAC Minority**: Do you recall seeing this document?  
14 I'll give you a minute.

15 **Witness**: Yeah, let me see. I believe this was part  
16 of the Preliminary Survey. I believe this was part of the  
17 Preliminary Survey, in the document that I would've  
18 received leading up to the visit. I can't specifically say  
19 -- so this specific one, I believe, so I know it says the  
20 protectee up at the top is First Lady Jill Biden.

21 **HSGAC Minority**: Oh, sorry.

22 **Witness**: So this may have been --

23 **HSGAC Minority**: That was the wrong one. One second.  
24 We're going to -- it was actually the -- we're going to  
25 hand out the one for candidate Donald Trump. I apologize.

1           **Witness** : I know she was there the same day.

2           **HSGAC Minority**: -- the same document production.

3           **Witness** : Understood.

4           **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Let's move on from that real  
5 quick, because we're going to print out some copies, unless  
6 someone else has it.

7           **HSGAC Majority**: I have it.

8           **HSGAC Minority**: Yes, yes. Or the request -- do you have  
9 the request? Okay. We'll jump around.

10           Do you have any questions right now before --

11           **HSGAC Minority**: Yeah. I've got a couple of questions.

12 My name is **HSGAC Minority** with Senator Paul's office. And  
13 first of all, just thank you for your dedication to your  
14 craft. It's a long process, I understand.

15           **Witness** : Yes, sir.

16           **HSGAC Minority**: You went back and you mentioned that  
17 normally you don't have Counter Sniper Teams at these type  
18 of events, and I understand, you know, you are limited to  
19 your knowledge and you are focused on your primary role as  
20 a CAT team member. But when you heard that, did it raise  
21 any suspicion or concern or maybe even a question of,  
22 "That's strange" or anything like that, that would've just  
23 raised that level of "I wonder why"?

24           **Witness** : To clarify, we will, **LES**, have  
25 Counter Sniper Teams at our sites, just not Secret Service

1 Counter Sniper Teams. As far as when I was notified that  
2 we're getting a counter sniper advance for this, my thought  
3 was, you know, good. And, you know, it being an outdoor  
4 rally it made sense, and it was more so just like, okay,  
5 good. There's probably a lot of coverage, so they should  
6 have a counter sniper advance member there to coordinate  
7 those assets and do an assessment.

8 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. You also mentioned that -- and I  
9 think she asked and you answered, but I just want to  
10 clarify -- the TAC team member that said that there was an  
11 issue going on and they had a QRF that was responding, that  
12 was a local asset. Is that correct? It was not somebody  
13 with the Secret Service?

14 **Witness**: Correct. That individual was with Butler  
15 ESU.

16 **HSGAC Minority**: And you had your coms with two  
17 channels, and none of that, that you recall, was put on the  
18 radio. It was just because that person was close to you --  
19 is that how you got that knowledge?

20 **Witness**: Yeah, part from when our Counter Sniper  
21 Team, or one of our Counter Sniper Teams put out on the  
22 radio the locals were addressing something at the three  
23 o'clock. There was no other indication or nothing to steal  
24 my attention over to what was going on.

25 **HSGAC Minority**: And that communications was either on

1 your TAC channel or your shift channel?

2 **Witness** : Correct, sir.

3 **HSGAC Minority** : It could've been both because you were  
4 monitoring both through your radio. Correct?

5 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

6 **HSGAC Minority** : So were the counter snipers utilizing -  
7 - and I know we'd have to ask them directly, but do you  
8 know if they normally utilize that same type of radio set,  
9 monitoring the TAC and shift channels?

10 **Witness** : I don't know, sir. I would venture to say  
11 yes, just based on kind of standard operating procedure for  
12 our Special Operations Division units.

13 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. That's all I have right now.

14 **HSGAC Minority** : All right. We have located the Manpower  
15 Request Form. Do you have that in front of you?

16 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

17 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. Does this look familiar? Did you  
18 receive this?

19 **Witness** : It looks like it was part of our like -- it  
20 would've been our Preliminary Survey or final survey. I  
21 don't recall actually looking at this exact page  
22 particularly, but I recognize documents that look like  
23 this, yes.

24 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. If you go to down towards the  
25 middle it says "CAT," and here it says, "Number of teams

1 requested" and "Number of operators." So my question is,  
2 since you were providing continuous coverage for the former  
3 President since Yay, was this request for additional CAT  
4 team members on top of that continuous coverage?

5 **Witness** : No. that number would've been in reference  
6 to **LES** .

7 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. And so there were **LES** operators  
8 requested for this event.

9 **Witness** : Not requested. I believe that information  
10 would be listed there just to signify to anyone that there  
11 **LES** , that will be  
12 there at the on-site with the detail.

13 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. And it was just you and **CAT Advance Lead**  
14 **?**

15 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

16 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. And then to the right of that it  
17 **LES** " What is that?

18 **Witness** : Yes. That's our Hazardous Agent Mitigate --  
19 or HAZMAT and -- I'm drawing a blank right now -- Hazardous  
20 Agent Mitigation and Medical Emergency Response team.

21 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay.

22 **Witness** : **LES** for short, or long.

23 **HSGAC Minority** : And then next to that, CSU. What does  
24 that stand for?

25 **Witness** : It's our Surveillance Division.

1 **HSGAC Minority**: So there were no operators assigned  
2 for this event for the Surveillance Division?

3 **Witness**: Correct. Sorry, based on this paperwork,  
4 yes. I was not -- I would not be privy to the manpower  
5 breakdown of the entire visit, as far as Secret Service  
6 personnel goes.

7 **HSGAC Minority**: What is the Surveillance Division?

8 **Witness**: They're generally assigned -- I can't speak  
9 to how I can with CAT as far as like our coverage, where it  
10 expands to as far as protectees, but their role is **LES**

11 **LES**

12 **LES** to detect, you know, people of suspicion or

13 **LES**. To kind of detect problems

14 before they actually transpire, I guess, or to also infill

15 -- not infiltrate but, you know, if there's an area of

16 suspicion or concern **LES**

17 **LES**.

18 **HSGAC Minority**: What division are they organized under?

19 Are they under the Special Operations Division within the  
20 Secret Service?

21 **Witness**: No, they are not. I'm not sure. I believe  
22 they're their own division. I'm not sure if they fall  
23 under another umbrella.

24 **HSGAC Minority**: Can I follow up on that real quick?

25 **Witness**: Yes, sir.

1 **HSGAC Minority**: Who would make that request -- the  
2 site or lead?

3 **Witness**: For CSU teams, that I do not know. Yeah, I  
4 do not know.

5 **HSGAC Minority**: From your experience working with those  
6 individuals, do they normally, while they're in the crowd  
7 do they normally have your radio communications, as well?

8 **Witness**: They'll usually have **LES**  
9 that's connected to their phone, which we have a system on  
10 there to relay our radio coms. But yeah, due to the sake

11 **LES**

12 **LES**. So they usually  
13 don't have a way to communicate via radio.

14 **HSGAC Minority**: Do they have a way to communicate to  
15 the Secret Service?

16 **Witness**: Yes, they do.

17 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay.

18 **HSGAC Minority**: So there were none requested for this,  
19 and you don't believe there were any surveillance units  
20 there?

21 **Witness**: I'm not aware of any Secret Service  
22 surveillance counter -- sorry. The whole name is  
23 Countersurveillance Unit. I was drawing a blank at first.  
24 I'm not aware of whether there were assets requested or  
25 not, and I'm not aware of if the local police had any



1 plainclothes officers in the crowd. They may have.

2 **HSGAC Minority**: And during your three-week coverage  
3 previously, any events or anything that you went to, were  
4 there any Secret Service surveillance units?

5 **Witness**: No, ma'am. It's my understanding that those  
6 units or those assets are usually dedicated for the  
7 **LES**.

8 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then just quickly to run  
9 through the rest of this document before I turn it over to  
10 our colleagues on PSI, CS, does that stand for counter  
11 snipers?

12 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

13 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And so there were two Counter  
14 Sniper Teams assigned to Site 2, which is Butler. Is that  
15 correct?

16 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

17 **HSGAC Minority**: And then there were some counter snipers  
18 also at the airport?

19 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am, I believe so, from what I  
20 recall, from what I was briefed, yes.

21 **HSGAC Minority**: And then below that, Police Counter  
22 Sniper Assets. Is that what the next section stands for?

23 **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

24 **HSGAC Minority**: And then below that it says, you know,  
25 "two local units shared by DTD and FLD visit." What is

1 DTD?

2 **Witness** : Donald Trump detail.

3 **HSGAC Minority**: And what is FLD?

4 **Witness** : First Lady detail.

5 **HSGAC Minority**: So they were also detailed. And is that  
6 because the First Lady was in the area?

7 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am. She arrived via aircraft,  
8 arrived and departed via aircraft that same day, I believe  
9 within a few hours of former President Trump.

10 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay, and First Lady Jill Biden.

11 **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

12 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And so they were -- there were  
13 two teams that were shared. So was there one each, or they  
14 moved?

15 **Witness** : They relocated. The arrival times were far  
16 apart enough to where they could relocate, and then  
17 departures were obviously very different, considering  
18 everything that happened, so we didn't have to share assets  
19 on the back end.

20 **HSGAC Minority**: And below that, "Two 2-man teams  
21 embedded with UDS CS." What does that mean?

22 **Witness** : So based on that language there, to me that  
23 would mean that there were CS technicians from the local  
24 site that would've been working directly with our Counter  
25 Sniper Teams.

1           **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Thank you.

2           **PSI Minority** : **Witness** , **PSI Minority** with  
3 Senator Johnson's office. Thank you for being with us  
4 today. I just want to clarify something at the top. Did  
5 you say that you had experience as a sniper with the Secret  
6 Service?

7           **Witness** : No, I do not.

8           **PSI Minority** : Okay. So going back to when you first  
9 -- I think it's important to nail down the specific times.  
10 When exactly do you land in the airport for the Butler  
11 rally?

12          **Witness** : It would've been, draw back, I'd say  
13 probably like an hour and 15 minutes prior to when we  
14 showed up at the site. So I believe the rally started at  
15 about 6:00. I want to say we got to -- we landed at  
16 Pittsburgh Airport at about 4:30, 4:45.

17          **PSI Minority** : 4:30 or 4:35?

18          **Witness** : I believe so. I would say like for sure I  
19 can put it in between that 4-to-5 window, as far as landing  
20 at the airport. And then we would've arrived --

21          **PSI Minority** : Back half of 4 to 5, at least.  
22 Sometime between 4:30 and 5, it sounds like.

23          **Witness** : I would say, just to be safe, because again,  
24 that has been almost a month exactly now, and I've just had  
25 so many other assignments since then, as far as the exact

1 time in my head I remember the rally starting about 6:00.  
2 So I would say he would've gotten there probably anywhere  
3 between 5:30 and 5:45. So I'm going to say between 4 and  
4 5, just to be safe.

5 **PSI Minority** : Okay. When you get there, the locals  
6 that are on the ground, that's Pennsylvania State Police.  
7 Are there any other locals on the ground at that point, at  
8 the airport?

9 **Witness** : Other than our -- I believe we had a site-  
10 dedicated response team. I can't recall. And then we had  
11 our **LES** teams at the airport, as well.

12 **PSI Minority** : Got it. But none of the folks who are  
13 at the Butler site --

14 **Witness** : Correct.

15 **PSI Minority** : -- are at the airport.

16 **Witness** : Correct, other than the Pennsylvania State,  
17 because they were with us.

18 **PSI Minority** : They roll with you.

19 **Witness** : Yeah.

20 **PSI Minority** : So when you land, I know you said that  
21 you had radio coms with the counter snipers who were at the  
22 Butler site. Does that start the minute you land at the  
23 airport you are in radio communication with them?

24 **Witness** : No. **LES**

25 **LES** .

1           **PSI Minority** : Okay. And when you land do you hear  
2 anything about what's happening at the site? Is  
3 Pennsylvania State Police in communication with their folks  
4 at the rally site?

5           **Witness** : I don't know if Pennsylvania State Police  
6 had assets at the site. But like if anything, if there  
7 were anything that was going on at the site, if  
8 Pennsylvania State Police had assets there, they could've  
9 communicated with each other ahead of time. I can't speak  
10 to if those assets crisscrossed at all.

11          **PSI Minority** : But you didn't hear anything from the  
12 site, any updates from the site.

13          **Witness** : No.

14          **PSI Minority** : Were you text messaging or phone calls  
15 or emails with anybody who was at the site at the time that  
16 you landed?

17          **Witness** : No.

18          **PSI Minority** : Okay. So you're traveling to the site.  
19 You get to the site. It's approximately what time when you  
20 get to the site?

21          **Witness** : I would venture to say it was approximately  
22 5:30. I'd say between 5:30 and 6.

23          **PSI Minority** : 5:30 and 6? And who is around where  
24 you park when you get to the site? Is there other local  
25 police? Is there PSP? Is there --

1       **Witness** : Yeah, other local police. I wouldn't be  
2 able to differentiate of what department they would be.  
3 Other uniformed officers, other personnel, you know,  
4 working sound equipment, you know, possibly, or there to  
5 support the visit from maybe a staff side or a non-law  
6 enforcement side. Our sites are pretty dense with people a  
7 lot of times, so it's hard to identify every person's  
8 specific role.

9       **PSI Minority** : When you get to the site do you do a  
10 radio check-in with the counter snipers? Are they already  
11 in position?

12       **Witness** : Yes, we do, we did during that event.

13       **PSI Minority** : Who were the counter snipers who were  
14 in position?

15       **Witness** : I don't recall their specific names.

16       **PSI Minority** : Does the name **C/S Team Lead** ring a  
17 bell as one of the counter snipers?

18       **Witness** : No.

19       **PSI Minority** : Okay. So after you're there, you've  
20 checked in with the counter snipers. You then move to the  
21 tent location. Who's in the tent location with you?

22       **Witness** : It probably was about approximately, I'd  
23 say, 10 to 15 minutes before we did. They did photo ops in  
24 the tents before, with former President Trump, before they  
25 moved onto the stage. So it was about 15 to 20 minutes.

1 But there are other Secret Service personnel in the  
2 tents, part of his immediate -- his detail -- and then  
3 there would've been other staff members in there, as well,  
4 people working sound and audio equipment backstage.

5 **PSI Minority** : Sorry. What time is it that the Butler  
6 tactical officer joins you? Is it immediately upon  
7 arriving at the site, at that 5:00 --

8 **Witness** : Yeah, immediately upon arrival.

9 **PSI Minority** : Okay. And that's right around that  
10 5:00, or is it 5:30? I apologize.

11 **Witness** : I can't recall what the specific time was.  
12 You know, we arrived at the Pittsburgh Airport between 4  
13 and 5, and I believe we got to the Butler rally between 5  
14 and 6.

15 **PSI Minority** : Okay. Okay. So the local officers  
16 joined you. You guys have moved over to the tent. I want  
17 to show you a set of radio logs, and this will be Exhibit  
18 4.

19 [Exhibit No. 4 was  
20 marked for identification.]

21 **PSI Minority** : So if I can get you to flip to page 7  
22 of that, and at the very top, at where it says 1742, so  
23 approximately 5:42, it looks like there's a radio  
24 communication that goes out, that describes an individual  
25 who is around the AGR building with a rangefinder, looking

1 at the stage. Do you recall anybody who is with you at  
2 the time mentioning that "Hey, we've flagged somebody over  
3 at the AGR building" or mentioning anything about the AGR  
4 building?

5 **Witness** : No, sir.

6 **PSI Minority** : No? The local officer who was with you  
7 with the radio, could you hear his radio --

8 **Witness** : No.

9 **PSI Minority** : -- when it was going off?

10 **Witness** : No. He has the same setup as we do, a helmet

11 **LES** [REDACTED]

12 **LES** [REDACTED]

13 **PSI Minority** : Okay. Do you notice anybody who is  
14 looking towards the AGR building at that point, when you're  
15 at the stage? Is there a general perception towards that?

16 **Witness** : No, and again, we were back offstage, within  
17 a tent, so we didn't have visual on the perimeter or the  
18 exterior.

19 **PSI Minority** : You couldn't see the AGR building from  
20 the tent.

21 **Witness** : We could if we stepped out of the tent, but  
22 during our time there we didn't see until the shots were  
23 fired. We saw no activity to direct our attention to the  
24 AGR building.

25 **PSI Minority** : Okay. I'm going to show you another



1 document. This will be Exhibit 5.

2 [Exhibit No. 5 was  
3 marked for identification.]

4 **PSI Minority**: Take a look at it carefully. Okay. So  
5 this is a text message from one of the local police  
6 officers to the Secret Service counter snipers on the roof.  
7 It is from the day of the rally, and its timestamp is 5:45.  
8 And looking at it, it looks like they are forwarding along  
9 a description of the same individual that we just talked  
10 about in that radio log that's Exhibit 4, along with photos  
11 of the individual.

12 Did the Secret Service snipers radio out over the  
13 **Channel** channel, was it? Is that the tactical channel?

14 **Witness**: Again, I can't ascertain who was **Channel** or  
15 the **Channel** channel because I had two radios set up.

16 **PSI Minority**: So did they radio out over either of  
17 the channels around 5:45? Is that around the time that  
18 they would've radioed out and said, "Hey, they're looking  
19 at the AGR building"?

20 **Witness**: They didn't see anything, reference anything  
21 about the AGR. The only communications heard, what I  
22 recall hearing, was when we were in the offstage announce  
23 area, several minutes before the shots are fired, that  
24 local police were addressing something at the three  
25 o'clock, I believe they said about 200 yards out.

1           **PSI Minority** : Several minutes. Can we narrow that  
2 down, right? Because that's --

3           **Witness** : I'd say 5 to 8 minutes.

4           **PSI Minority** : Five to 8 minutes before the shots were  
5 fired?

6           **Witness** : Yeah.

7           **PSI Minority** : Okay. So sometime after they get this  
8 text message is when they're radioing out to you.  
9 Approximately 20 minutes after this is when they're first  
10 coming to you and saying, "Hey, they're looking at the AGR  
11 building."

12          **Witness** : Yeah, and as far -- well, sorry, not yeah,  
13 as an answer to that. As far as using my timeline as when  
14 I believe we landed to when we arrived at the site to match  
15 up with this, I'm not confident enough to speak to a  
16 timeline, based on my recollection as far as when we  
17 arrived, to try to line up when these items kind of paired  
18 in that, because I can't speak to exactly when we arrived  
19 at those sites or not. So I can't answer any questions,  
20 based on our movement and where we were at, when that  
21 happened in relation to these text messages.

22          **PSI Minority** : Sure. I know you said you were at the  
23 rally site. When you first got there you spent about 15 to  
24 20 minutes walking around, taking photos. Correct?

25          **Witness** : Walking around. Did I --

1           **PSI Minority** : No, no. They were taking photos with  
2 former President Trump --

3           **Witness** : Yeah.

4           **PSI Minority** : -- when he first arrived.

5           **Witness** : Yeah. I'd say 15 to 30 minutes they were  
6 taking photos in the tent area.

7           **PSI Minority** : Okay. So President Trump takes the  
8 stage around 6:03. So you're there sometime around 5:30.

9           **Witness** : Approximately, yes.

10          **PSI Minority** : Okay. So I think we could say you're  
11 there when this message is being sent to the Secret Service  
12 snipers.

13          **Witness** : I can't say for certain.

14          **PSI Minority** : Okay. I'm going to draw your attention  
15 back to the radio log, so that's Exhibit 4. And if I can  
16 get you to look at page 11.

17          MR. **Agency Counsel** Just before, can you just identify that  
18 log, the source of that?

19          **PSI Minority** : It's a local law enforcement radio log.

20          MR. **Agency Counsel** Okay.

21          **PSI Minority** : Okay. And if you look at the 1808:20  
22 stamp, it says, "Someone's on the roof." At 1808:20, did  
23 the local law enforcement or anybody mention that there was  
24 somebody on the roof of one of the buildings?

25          **Witness** : I didn't receive any communication. No, not

1 that I am aware of.

2 **PSI Minority** : Okay. And so we're going down a little  
3 bit, looking at 1809:32, and they are specifically  
4 mentioning if anybody can see the roof of the AGR. Was  
5 there anybody asking you while you're in the tent, "Hey,  
6 can you get a look at the AGR roof?"

7 **Witness** : No, sir.

8 **PSI Minority** : Okay. Flipping over to the next page,  
9 page 12, if you look at 1811:03, it looks like an officer  
10 says, "He's armed. I saw him. He's laying down." By  
11 1811:03, is there any notification to the Secret Service,  
12 or to you, that there's an individual on the roof who is  
13 armed?"

14 **Witness** : I heard no radio traffic or received no  
15 notification of this information.

16 **PSI Minority** : None of the Secret Service snipers who  
17 were on the roof have radioed out that they're positioned  
18 looking towards the AGR building, or that they see an  
19 individual on the building?

20 **Witness** : No.

21 **PSI Minority** : Okay.

22 **PSI Minority** : **Witness** , my name is **PSI Minority** .

23 Thank you again for your time today, sir. I just want to  
24 go back to the alert that you received from the counter  
25 sniper, which you approximated was, I think you said 5 to 8

1 minutes before shots fired. Is that correct?

2 **Witness** : I'd say that's a safe time frame, yes.

3 **PSI Minority** : At that time that you received that  
4 alert -- and please direct me. Is it fair to characterize  
5 it as an alert?

6 **Witness** : Notification, alert, yeah, if those are  
7 synonymous with each other.

8 **PSI Minority** : This was a notification that you  
9 received on one of your radios.

10 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

11 **PSI Minority** : And because it was with -- a  
12 communication with a counter sniper, it was the **Channel**  
13 broadcast?

14 **Witness** : Again, I can't say for certain if it was or  
15 not. I'd venture to say that it was likely **Channel** because  
16 in the manner they put it out it was pretty informative.  
17 But again, I can't speak to the intentions of that CS  
18 technician at that time. I just know it was one of those  
19 two radio channels. I can say that frequently the shift  
20 personnel and other members on the details are scanning the  
21 TAC channels, so that they can hear radio traffic that is  
22 put out over tactical channels. Because they only operate  
23 one radio, so their primary concern is to operate on **Channel**  
24 communicate with other shift members. So they may have  
25 likely been scanning that.

1           **PSI Minority** : Prior to receiving that notification  
2 from one of the counter snipers on the radio, had you  
3 received any other notification from the counter snipers?

4           **Witness** : No. Other than our radio checks that we did  
5 when we arrived there, I had received no notification.

6           **PSI Minority** : Do you know who the individual -- what  
7 counter sniper radioed in this notification?

8           **Witness** : I do not, sir.

9           **PSI Minority** : Do you know how many counter snipers  
10 were there at this event?

11          **Witness** : I believe it was four.

12          **PSI Minority** : And where were they located?

13          **Witness** : They were on, if you're -- with the setup  
14 there, if you're looking out from, I guess, where former  
15 President Trump's perspective would've been, it would've  
16 been directly to the rear. There were two barns. They  
17 were posted on the roof of those two bars, approximately --  
18 it would've been the seven and five o'clock, if the 12  
19 o'clock is off the stage, facing out.

20          **PSI Minority** : And because you mentioned there were  
21 four, was it two people in each position?

22          **Witness** : Two 2-man teams, yes, sir.

23          **PSI Minority** : And what direction were each teams  
24 facing?

25          **Witness** : I believe they were facing out towards the

1 crowd, but their areas of responsibility would, you know,  
2 be 360 coverage if they deem it so necessary. But from my  
3 understanding their concern is areas that can see in on our  
4 protectee. So obviously nothing behind the barn would've  
5 been a threat from a CS perspective.

6 **PSI Minority** : Do you know when the counter snipers  
7 arrived at the event?

8 **Witness** : I do not, no.

9 **PSI Minority** : Were they there by the time you  
10 arrived?

11 **Witness** : They were there and posted before I arrived,  
12 and this is typical. They were probably there and posted  
13 well before our arrival.

14 **PSI Minority** : Did you notice them there then, when  
15 you arrived?

16 **Witness** : I knew their location. I don't know that I  
17 specifically looked up to affirm that they were there.  
18 But, you know, after you do this job for several years, you  
19 know, seeing counter sniper teams up on the roof,  
20 especially in the positions where if you've been briefed  
21 that they're going to be, it doesn't stand out to you  
22 anymore. It's not abnormal, I guess, so I can't speak to  
23 if I remember seeing them.

24 **PSI Minority** : Were you made aware of other snipers,  
25 other local law enforcement snipers in the area and where

1 their positions were at the rally?

2 **Witness** : I cannot recall if this information was  
3 provided to me in any of my conversations of that day or if  
4 it was information that I had learned after the fact from  
5 talking with other individuals. Obviously there was a lot  
6 of information to process that day, so it kind of bleeds  
7 together of when it came through.

8 At some point I was notified or provided information  
9 that there may have been a local counter sniper team that  
10 was positioned in the AGR building.

11 **PSI Minority** : And just so I understand, you were made  
12 aware of that at the event or prior to the event?

13 **Witness** : That I cannot recall, again, if that  
14 information was provided to me and it was something that  
15 hadn't been confirmed or if I was told that after the fact,  
16 like, oh, there was supposed to be a counter sniper, a  
17 local counter sniper, team up there or in there.

18 **PSI Minority** : When were you made aware of the  
19 security perimeter for the event?

20 **Witness** : I was not.

21 **PSI Minority** : Is that typical?

22 **Witness** : Yeah, for my role as a counter assault agent  
23 I would say that's typical, to not necessarily know where  
24 the hard line is of unswept and swept people per se.

25 **PSI Minority** : Would that information be useful to



1 someone in your position?

2 **Witness** : For our particular mission, no, because our  
3 role is not to determine who belongs in our area and who is  
4 not. We identify threats and address those accordingly.  
5 So whether there's somebody that's in our secured area and  
6 they're a threat, it's not different than -- you know, if  
7 they're a threat, they're a threat, whether it's in our  
8 secure area or not. There are other assets and entities in  
9 place that would be responsible for delineating, you know,  
10 who should be in a secure area and who shouldn't.

11 That information, I guess, could be helpful in knowing  
12 if you have unswept people in proximity to you, but in all  
13 my experience on the Secret Service we don't allow unswept  
14 people to, you know, get within close proximity to our  
15 protectees, **LES**

16 **LES** .

17 **PSI Minority** : So after you received this alert from  
18 the counter sniper, roughly five to eight minutes prior to  
19 shots fired, you mentioned that you left the tent to look  
20 outside.

21 **Witness** : Mm-hmm.

22 **PSI Minority** : Were you looking in the direction of  
23 where they indicated that there may have been an issue?

24 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

25 **PSI Minority** : And that direction you mentioned was at

1 the three o'clock position?

2 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

3 **PSI Minority** : Could you see the AGR building when you  
4 left the tent to look out in that direction?

5 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

6 **PSI Minority** : And what did you see?

7 **Witness** : I saw the building, saw the open space in  
8 between the fence of the, I guess, of the venue, and I  
9 remember seeing a scattering of people, maybe just random  
10 individuals, that were far out. And that's all I recall  
11 seeing.

12 **PSI Minority** : Could you see any law enforcement in  
13 the area?

14 **Witness** : I can't recall. There may have been.  
15 Again, nothing that like -- nothing stood out to me to  
16 direct my attention. And again, we, you know, operate in  
17 such a dense law enforcement environment that seeing  
18 uniformed officers would not be something that would  
19 particularly stand out in my head, barring unique  
20 circumstances.

21 **PSI Minority** : After you received the alert, what made  
22 you decide to leave the tent to take a look towards the AGR  
23 building?

24 **Witness** : I'd say the fact that the CS team had  
25 spotted something that they felt was worth communicating.

1 And again, judging on like the distance, again, I believe  
2 it was 200 yards that they said, it sounded more  
3 informational, you know, for your awareness. So we popped  
4 our heads out just to gain more situational awareness, you  
5 know, see if there was a fight or something, or whatever  
6 was going on, just so we were tracking if there was other  
7 law enforcement movement near us, so we would be tracking  
8 what was going on.

9 **PSI Minority** : And you said "we." That's you and **█**.  
10 **CAT Advanced** ?

11 **Witness** : Correct, and then our local TAC counterpart.  
12 I don't know if he also popped his head out too, to gain  
13 situational awareness of that area or not. He very may  
14 well have.

15 **PSI Minority** : Did you see the -- I think you said it  
16 was the QRF -- or any other additional police presence  
17 being sent to AGR?

18 **Witness** : The QRF, no, I did not.

19 **PSI Minority** : Okay. And after you looked towards  
20 that direction and you came back in the tent, did you  
21 communicate anything on the radio to inform others what you  
22 saw or didn't see in that direction?

23 **Witness** : No, I did not.

24 **PSI Minority** : After shots were fired, could you tell  
25 how many shots were fired exactly?

1       **Witness** : No. I recall like a burst or succession  
2 of fire, and then almost immediately after that heard  
3 screams, and that together just kind of triggered, you  
4 know, something bad's going on right now and we need to  
5 deploy and get out of the tent. And then, you know, in the  
6 moment it seemed like it was just like one long stand  
7 gunfire. Obviously, I've seen the videos, as much as I've  
8 tried to stay off of the media and social media, so it's  
9 hard to separate what I perceived had actually happened in  
10 that exact moment versus what, you know, I've seen it  
11 enough times now to know it was kind of a pop-pop-pop, a  
12 quick pause, and then another succession of gunfire.

13       **PSI Minority** : Could you tell what direction the  
14 gunshots were coming from?

15       **Witness** : I was confident that it was coming from the  
16 -- I'm using three o'clock now as a direct reference to  
17 what CS said, but coming from that direction, from the 12  
18 to the 6, you know, clockwise.

19       **PSI Minority** : From the direction of the AGR building.

20       **Witness** : Correct.

21       **PSI Minority** : Were all the shots that you heard  
22 coming from the direction of the AGR building?

23       **Witness** : So I'll say this. Specifically, like to  
24 pinpoint down to the AGR building, I could not say that.  
25 It could've been to the right of the AGR building. It

1 could've been behind the AGR building. In such an open  
2 space like that, and again, with our ear protection that we  
3 have on, it's hard to pin down, you know, come out and go  
4 like that exact direction is where it's coming from. I  
5 just knew general direction was coming from that way.

6 **PSI Minority** : Were you able to identify the shot that  
7 was apparently fired by a Secret Service counter sniper?

8 **Witness** : No.

9 **PSI Minority** : Do you know at what point in time that  
10 shot occurred?

11 **Witness** : I know now, after watching the videos. In  
12 the moment, no.

13 **PSI Minority** : When you went onto the stage -- you did  
14 go onto the stage. Is that correct?

15 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

16 **PSI Minority** : Did **CAT Advance Lead** also go onto the stage?

17 **Witness** : Yes, sir.

18 **PSI Minority** : And how many other individuals from the  
19 Counter Assault Team go on the stage?

20 **Witness** : It would've just been our local tactical  
21 officer that was embedded with us.

22 **PSI Minority** : By the time -- the moment you got on  
23 the stage, what, if any, radio communications were you  
24 hearing?

25 **Witness** : I believe at one point I heard "shooter

1 down" over the radio. I will preface that in saying that  
2 that's another piece of information I can't delineate if  
3 that was something, when it was discussed afterwards and I  
4 was like, "yeah, I heard that" and kind of telling myself I  
5 heard that, or if I actually remember hearing it in the  
6 moment. And then all the other communication I remember  
7 was like verbal, face-to-face with the shift.

8 **PSI Minority** : Do you know if you received any  
9 additional communications from the Counter Sniper Team?

10 **Witness** : I don't recall. I don't recall receiving  
11 any additional information.

12 **PSI Minority** : As soon as former President Trump rose  
13 and then exited the stage, were you confident that the  
14 shooter was down?

15 **Witness** : Yes, I was, or that there was no longer a  
16 threat.

17 **PSI Minority** : Did you have any awareness at that  
18 point that there was a shooter at AGR?

19 **Witness** : No, I did not, that they were specifically  
20 at the AGR.

21 **PSI Minority** : When did you become aware that there  
22 was a shooter at AGR?

23 **Witness** : Not until we were at the hospital.

24 **PSI Minority** : And how did you become aware of that?

25 **Witness** : I can't remember if it was -- I was

1 receiving and sharing information, or coordinating with a  
2 lot of different moving pieces at that time. I can't  
3 recall if it came from one of the detail members that had  
4 received it from a local officer or if [REDACTED] had received it  
5 from one of our tactical counterparts who had received it,  
6 in turn, from one of their site-dedicated officers.  
7 Information was kind of flooding in from a lot of different  
8 directions.

9 **PSI Minority** : And in what was information being  
10 shared at this point?

11 **Witness** : Telephonically and via email, and then just  
12 word of mouth.

13 **PSI Minority** : Texts? Phone texts?

14 **Witness** : I don't recall receiving any text messages  
15 regarding any information.

16 **PSI Minority** : Did you send any text messages at the  
17 event or afterwards?

18 **Witness** : I believe so, but it would have just been in  
19 coordinating our subsequent actions, our response at the  
20 hospital, and what we were doing to get prepared for  
21 movement to the airport, coordinating with my leadership  
22 back in D.C. to roll additional assets to link up with us  
23 in other locations.

24 **PSI Minority** : And were these texts and emails and  
25 other communications, telephonic, were these done by you on

1 your personal device or your official device?

2 **Witness** : Official device.

3 **PSI Minority** : Okay. For radio communications that  
4 day, what is your understanding of how or if radio  
5 communications are captured or recorded?

6 **Witness** : It's my understanding that they are  
7 recorded, on the Secret Service side, if we have like a  
8 formal Security Room or Command Post with a setup with a  
9 certain type of radio or relay system, that is more robust  
10 than just our handheld or **LES** , **LES** **LES**  
11 radios, but they have **LES** . **LES**  
12 **LES** . **LES** . But apart  
13 from having **LES** , it would be a more robust  
14 **LES** that would be set up.

15 **PSI Minority** : And it's your understanding that those  
16 radio communications are recorded?

17 **Witness** : In those instances when we have a Security  
18 Room setup with whatever device that is, yes, that's my  
19 understanding.

20 **PSI Minority** : Was it your understanding that the  
21 communications on July 13, 2024, at this event, were  
22 recorded?

23 **Witness** : It was not my understanding as far as the  
24 Secret Service's communications go.

25 **PSI Minority** : It was not your understanding that they



1 were recorded?

2 **Witness** : I don't believe they were recorded, no.

3 **PSI Minority** : And just so we're all clear, you came  
4 to this understanding at the event, or you came to that  
5 understanding afterwards?

6 **Witness** : Afterwards.

7 **PSI Minority** : Okay. So at that time you had no  
8 reason to think that radio communications were not being  
9 recorded.

10 **Witness** : Correct, yeah. And in this line of work  
11 kind of always assume you're being recorded, out of the  
12 abundance of caution. But yeah, usually it's just not even  
13 something that would cross at least my mind, you know, from  
14 a day-to-day. Again, I just think I operate under an  
15 abundance of caution, assuming that I'm always being  
16 watched or listened, because I work for the government.

17 **PSI Minority** : When you were informed or found out  
18 that the radio communications that day were not recorded,  
19 how did you find that out?

20 **Witness** : I don't know that it was ever formally  
21 confirmed to me. I think just in discussing like kind of  
22 debriefing after the fact, and after decompressing all the  
23 information, just recognizing that since we didn't have  
24 like a formal Security Room or Command Post set up that we  
25 likely did not have that -- the technology or device there

1 that would capture our communications. And just based on  
2 my experience on the job, recognizing that they probably  
3 weren't recorded then.

4 **PSI Minority** : Who would've made the decision to set  
5 up such equipment?

6 **Witness** : That I can't speak to. I'm not aware.

7 **PSI Minority** : Do you know who would be able to speak  
8 to that?

9 **Witness** : It would likely be members of the advance  
10 team. It could be someone from the President's detail, as  
11 well.

12 **PSI Minority** : I'm going to go ahead and turn to an  
13 exhibit. I believe we're on Exhibit 6. Yeah, this is  
14 Bates No. 367, and it goes from 367 to 368. And I'll give  
15 you a moment to read it.

16 [Exhibit No. 6 was  
17 marked for identification.]

18 **Witness** : All right.

19 **PSI Minority** : **Witness** , are you familiar with this  
20 email communication?

21 **Witness** : Yes, I believe I am.

22 **PSI Minority** : Did you receive this email  
23 communication?

24 **Witness** : Yeah, I believe I was part of this email  
25 chain.

1           **PSI Minority** : Was this -- is this an email that was  
2 initially sent to you?

3           **Witness** : I can't recall if I initiated this chain or  
4 if it was sent to me. I believe it was sent to me in  
5 response to a phone call. Yeah, I believe it was sent to  
6 me in response to a phone call.

7           **PSI Minority** : And just so the record is clear, this  
8 is an email communication that begins on July 13, 2024, at  
9 6:42 p.m., and runs through July 13, 2024, at approximately  
10 7:00 p.m., with the subject line, "Hospital." And sir, you  
11 mentioned that this had to do with a phone call. Can you  
12 elaborate?

13           **Witness** : Yeah, from my recollection. So obviously we  
14 didn't foresee needing to go anywhere other the Butler  
15 event and then back to the airport, so following the  
16 assassination attempt we now had to work to roll assets to  
17 the locations that we were at, and going back to, obviously  
18 we had a heightened security concern considering what had  
19 just happened. And I was working with our Counter Sniper  
20 Team. In my leadership I was kind of the conduit between  
21 our SOD division back in D.C., and in Pennsylvania, to make  
22 sure we had assets and were tracking where people were at,  
23 and we were getting tactical assets where we needed to.

24           So I believe, if I recall, I had reached out to one of  
25 the members from the Counter Sniper Team that I knew to be

1 working to ascertain their location, to make sure that we  
2 could get counter sniper assets [REDACTED]  
3 [REDACTED].

4 [REDACTED]: And, sir, there are a lot of redactions  
5 in this document. This document was just produced to us,  
6 to the Committees, last night, from Secret Service, so we  
7 did not apply any of these redactions ourselves. These  
8 redactions were applied and then given to us. And so  
9 there's a lot of names missing in this document. You  
10 mentioned that you might be one of these names in this  
11 record. Can you recall anyone else who either sent this  
12 message or would've received this message?

13 [REDACTED]: I cannot.

14 [REDACTED]: Do you know -- and just speculating,  
15 but based on the signature block, particularly on page, the  
16 Bates No. 367, at the bottom of that page it says that it's  
17 signed by someone in the Counter Sniper Team. Do you know  
18 who that individual would've been?

19 [REDACTED]: I can't recall. And just for context, we  
20 cross paths with so many different individuals and from  
21 different directorates in Secret Service, infrequently  
22 working with the same individual within a short duration.  
23 So we come across so many different names. And again, even  
24 in the month between then and now I've worked with so many  
25 other individuals from the Secret Service. I probably

1 couldn't tell you who I worked with two weeks ago,  
2 because I've already flooded a whole nother abundance of  
3 names in there.

4 **PSI Minority** : I know I'm short on time so I just want  
5 to quickly wrap up with a couple of questions.

6 **Witness** : Yeah.

7 **PSI Minority** : Going back to the time where you were -  
8 - President Trump had gone on stage, or former President  
9 Trump had gone on stage, you were in the tent, in your  
10 professional capacity would you have been able to make a  
11 call to tell -- to get former President Trump or any  
12 protectee off the stage during an event?

13 **Witness** : Yeah. I mean, I would've had the capacity,  
14 since I have radio communications, you know, my training  
15 and experience, had I been told of an imminent threat I  
16 would've had the means to communicate that to the rest of  
17 our detail.

18 **PSI Minority** : And you would communicate that to  
19 people on the radio. Would you yourself be expected to go  
20 up and remove the protectee?

21 **Witness** : No. That would not be within my role. You  
22 could communicate that a variety of ways. If there was an  
23 individual -- you know, if there was an imminent threat I  
24 would likely be maybe making verbal cues so I could respond

25 **LES**

1 [REDACTED] LES

2 [REDACTED] LES

3 [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED]

4 LES [REDACTED] But that would be an option. Or pending  
5 you had time, you know, I guess I could put it over the  
6 radio to relay that information. But no, I would not the  
7 individual physically grabbing. That would be the shift,  
8 you know, that's on there, their role and their proximity  
9 to the protectee.

10 [REDACTED] PSI Minority : And this decision to pull the protectee  
11 off the stage, does that solely rely with someone in your  
12 position or are there other people who also had that same  
13 authority?

14 [REDACTED] Witness : The decision to like actually physically go  
15 hands-on would come from someone in the immediate bubble,  
16 so on the shift. But as far as somebody being able to make  
17 the alert or notification that there was an imminent threat  
18 or danger that should result in the protectee being pulled  
19 off stage could come from, you know, it could come from  
20 anybody.

21 [REDACTED] PSI Minority : And one final question, sir. Has  
22 anyone from DHS or the Secret Service instructed you not to  
23 speak with Congress?

24 [REDACTED] Witness : No, sir.

25 [REDACTED] PSI Minority : Thank you.

1           **HSGAC Majority**:   Okay.  Let's take a quick five-minute  
2 break.

3           [Recess.]

4           **HSGAC Majority**:   **Witness** , I'm going to return to a previous  
5 line of questioning.  You mentioned the day of, on July  
6 13th, you had your working -- I'm sorry -- your work  
7 cellphone with you.  Correct?

8           **Witness** :   Yes, sir.

9           **HSGAC Majority**:   And did you have any other cellphone or  
10 just the work?

11          **Witness** :   I had my personal.

12          **HSGAC Majority**:   Two cellphones.  Your radio.  Any other  
13 communication devices?

14          **Witness** :   Two radios.  No other communication devices  
15 on my person.

16          **HSGAC Majority**:   With respect to those four communication  
17 devices, focusing specifically on the two phones, Exhibit 5  
18 --

19          **Witness** :   What, the text messages?

20          **HSGAC Majority**:   -- refers to a text message, and all you  
21 can see from the top of it is "SS counter sniper."  Your  
22 personal cellphone or your work cellphone, was this or any  
23 other text message that day relayed to either of those two  
24 phones, and were you on any text chain that day?

25          **Witness** :   Nothing on my personal phone regarding

1 anything with this event other family, just telling them  
2 that I'm safe. Text for my work phone, the only stuff that  
3 would've been communicated over that would have been  
4 subsequent to the shooting, in preparing and coordinating  
5 assets from D.C. and in Pennsylvania to bolster our  
6 security posture.

7 **HSGAC Majority**: Post shooting.

8 **Witness**: Post shooting, yes, sir.

9 **HSGAC Majority**: So referring back to your earlier  
10 responses, when the alert or notification was relayed to  
11 you, roughly five to eight minutes, according to your  
12 recollection, before the shooting, what exactly was the  
13 alert or the notification? What information was relayed to  
14 you?

15 **Witness**: From the Counter Sniper Team over the --  
16 from what I recall it was that local police is addressing  
17 something or an individual -- I can't recall which of the,  
18 specifically what they said -- at the three o'clock, at  
19 approximately 200 yards, is my recollection.

20 **HSGAC Majority**: Any description about the individual?

21 **Witness**: No. That's why, again, I want to lean  
22 towards that they said addressing something at the three  
23 o'clock.

24 **HSGAC Majority**: And any description about anything the  
25 individual had?



1           **Witness** : No.

2           **HSGAC Majority**: So at any time prior to the shooting were  
3 you ever aware of an individual having a rangefinder?

4           **Witness** : No. I was not made aware of any individual  
5 with a rangefinder or a suspicious individual.

6           **HSGAC Majority**: You also referred, in earlier responses,  
7 talking about local entities and Federal entities, you  
8 referred to local counter snipers. Are you aware, or do  
9 you make a distinction between a sniper and a counter  
10 sniper?

11          **Witness** : Technically and tactically, yes. A sniper  
12 would be trained more so -- and this is my experience and  
13 my knowledge of the realm -- to identify and engage threats  
14 for the purpose of, I guess more of like an offensive  
15 measure, whereas counter snipers are to identify  
16 vulnerabilities, areas that would have a visual on our  
17 protectee from, you know, outside of what necessarily your  
18 immediate area of vision might be.

19          **HSGAC Majority**: And for the Federal components, for the  
20 Secret Service officials, to your understanding those were  
21 the counter snipers.

22          **Witness** : Correct. We only have -- our snipers only  
23 have counter snipers.

24          **HSGAC Majority**: So do you know what the local entities  
25 were, whether they were --

1           **Witness** : I did not. And I can't speak to if  
2 there's an actual distinction made on the local side and  
3 how they're training, you know, may or may not cross over  
4 into the other realms. And if I did say local CS teams or  
5 local sniper teams earlier, that wasn't intentional.  
6 That's just, you know, the common lingo used in the law  
7 enforcement industry just to identify like -- you know, for  
8 me when I think sniper I'm always thinking counter sniper.  
9 So if I refer to a local sniper team, in my head their  
10 responsibility is that of a counter sniper.

11           **HSGAC Majority** : So correct me if I'm wrong here, but based  
12 on what you've just said, then you were not referring to  
13 them with respect to their areas of responsibility for that  
14 site or the perimeter.

15           **Witness** : When you are -- I was asked previously about  
16 their -- where the Counter Sniper Teams on the barns, what  
17 their areas of responsibility were. I was referring to --  
18 their responsibility would be to observe and detect and/or  
19 engage threats or potential threats outside that can look  
20 in on our protectee.

21           **HSGAC Majority** : And for the locals?

22           **Witness** : I can't speak to what their mission set  
23 would've been on that day.

24           **HSGAC Majority** : This is **HSGAC Majority** . I'd like to ask  
25 a few follow-up questions on sharing assets. You mentioned

1 both the First Lady and former President Trump were in  
2 Pittsburgh on the same day and shared a few assets. I'm  
3 curious, not specific to that instance but in general, or  
4 actually, specific to that incident, was that a resource  
5 issue, more of an efficiency issue?

6 **Witness** : I would say an efficiency issue. Or sorry,  
7 not an efficiency issue, or not issue --

8 **HSGAC Majority** : Issue, but for purposes of efficiency --

9 **Witness** : Yes.

10 **HSGAC Majority** : -- or was it a resource issue?

11 **Witness** : For the purposes of efficiency.

12 **HSGAC Majority** : Are there, you know -- is it common or  
13 are there times when Secret Service is short-staffed or  
14 unable to find operators? And "operators" may not be the  
15 correct term, so forgive me.

16 **Witness** : Agents or assets.

17 **HSGAC Majority** : Yes.

18 **Witness** : I would say that it's no secret, or in my  
19 opinion -- oh sorry, not opinion -- in my experience, the  
20 Secret Service is short-staffed. I can't speak to whether  
21 we have or when or if we would compromise a security plan  
22 at the sake of manpower. It seems we would usually just  
23 suffer anyways in our personal life. So I can't speak to  
24 if that any impact on, you know, the planning or that day.

25 **HSGAC Majority** : From your tenure so far at the Secret

1 Service, has the staffing stayed the same, improved, or  
2 gotten worse?

3 **Witness** : It's hard to say. I can't specifically say.  
4 In my experience I haven't noticed a difference. Our work-  
5 life balance has always been pretty rigorous, and it's  
6 always been my understanding that our manpower is just one  
7 of the reasons that that occurs. So I can't say that I've  
8 noticed a difference of it getting better or worse.

9 **HSGAC Majority** : And I'd like to ask a few questions just  
10 about cellphones that day. Your work cellphone, did you  
11 have any issues using your cellphone that day?

12 **Witness** : **LES** a little bit, just service,  
13 I believe, just because of the structure we were in, of  
14 just having some of my calls go through. But no other  
15 issues that I noticed that day.

16 **HSGAC Majority** : I should be more specific. While you  
17 were at the Butler rally, did you have any issues sending  
18 text messages, making phone calls?

19 **Witness** : No, I don't believe so. I don't believe I  
20 had a reason to be on either of my phones while I was at  
21 the -- working the visit.

22 **HSGAC Majority** : Who is your service provider?

23 **Witness** : I believe it's Verizon. I believe it's  
24 Verizon, yeah.

25 **HSGAC Majority** : Do you know if all the Secret Service

1 agents are on the same service provider?

2 **Witness** : I believe so.

3 **HSGAC Majority**: I want to jump to something we talked  
4 about earlier, the local officer who was embedded with your  
5 CAT team. Aside from, you know, what he relayed to you  
6 shortly before the shooting about their QRF team, did he  
7 relay anything else to you throughout the day related to  
8 information he was receiving over his local law enforcement  
9 channels?

10 **Witness** : Not that I recall, no.

11 **HSGAC Majority**: And earlier you said you've worked -- I  
12 forget if you had said -- numerous protectee events.  
13 Correct? Would it be fair to say dozens?

14 **Witness** : Yes, that's correct, ma'am.

15 **HSGAC Majority**: And in your experience, have you -- in  
16 your experience, is it common for either members of a  
17 Counter Sniper Team or other Secret Service agents to  
18 notify you over radio communications that local law  
19 enforcement is engaged in, you know, some sort of endeavor?

20 **Witness** : Yes, I'd say that's very common.

21 **HSGAC Majority**: And when you say that's very common, I  
22 don't know if you could roughly -- does that happen at more  
23 than half of the events you've staffed?

24 **Witness** : I couldn't surmise that number. It happens  
25 when the situation arises, if there's something that the

1 locals are dealing with, it's usually relayed over the  
2 radio, and that can be any number of things. If it's in  
3 proximity to our event or may somehow impact our event,  
4 then somebody would ultimately make that call to share that  
5 information. But I would say that frequently it is -- it's  
6 just a matter of whether or not, you know, something  
7 occurred, whether it's a protest or what have you.

8 **HSGAC Majority**: And in your experience working protectee  
9 events, have you ever worked an event where the protectee  
10 was removed from their, you know, whether it be a stage or  
11 their planned location?

12 **Witness** : No other event that I've worked, no.

13 **HSGAC Majority**: Thank you. That's all I have.

14 **HSGAC Minority**: All right. I'm going to jump around  
15 again. Have you seen a final survey for the Butler event?

16 **Witness** : No.

17 **HSGAC Minority**: Do you know if one was put together?

18 **Witness** : I would imagine. I think there's a timeline  
19 on them, to have the final survey completed.

20 **HSGAC Minority**: What's the timeline?

21 **Witness** : I don't recall. My experience as a lead  
22 agent is limited, based on my current role, so I can't  
23 speak to the details of those timelines.

24 **HSGAC Minority**: Would you typically receive the final  
25 survey if you participated in the event?

1           **Witness** : No.

2           **HSGAC Minority**: So who would receive that?

3           **Witness** : I believe it would be like our operations  
4 section. I can't speak to an all-inclusive group of who  
5 would receive that.

6           **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Were you aware that any portion  
7 of the counter UAS system that was supposed to be operable  
8 that day was not?

9           **Witness** : I was not, no.

10          **HSGAC Minority**: Is this the first time you're hearing  
11 about it?

12          **Witness** : Yes.

13          **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Who told you that the local law  
14 enforcement sniper took a shot at the shooter?

15          **Witness** : A variety of people. Again, as you can  
16 imagine there was a flood of information coming around. We  
17 were trying to figure out what exactly happened, you know,  
18 as soon as we were at the hospital and we kind of had a  
19 secure perimeter set up. Yeah, information was kind of  
20 flooding in from all of our different contacts and whatnot,  
21 so I don't think it was -- it wasn't clear who took the  
22 shot. We received multiple bits of information.

23          **HSGAC Minority**: Do you remember who told you, even one  
24 of the people that told you?

25          **Witness** : No, I cannot recall.

1           **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. You said you spoke with the  
2 Butler officer that was embedded with you after the event.

3           **Witness**: Yes, ma'am.

4           **HSGAC Minority**: Do you recall when?

5           **Witness**: I think it was definitely within two weeks.  
6 It may have been within one week, about a week and a half  
7 maybe.

8           **HSGAC Minority**: What did you all discuss?

9           **Witness**: I just wanted to call him and check up on  
10 him, see how he was doing and how his teammates were doing,  
11 and just make sure he was okay and just thank him for his  
12 service and for working with us that day. Being on a **LES**  
13 **LES** is not a great feeling, in front of thousands of  
14 people, so every little bit helped, and he was super  
15 professional and helpful that day, so I just wanted to get  
16 that across to him.

17           **HSGAC Minority**: How is he doing?

18           **Witness**: He's doing good, yeah, and he said it was an  
19 honor to, you know, be able to -- you know, you pray and  
20 hope nothing like that ever happens, but, you know, you  
21 sign up for this job to -- and if it does you want to be  
22 there so you can hopefully effect the desired outcome. So  
23 he said he was very honored to have been a part of our team  
24 and work with us, and likewise.

25           **HSGAC Minority**: How are you doing?



1           **Witness** : I'm good. It was crazy, a crazy few  
2 weeks. Pretty surreal. But I've got a lot of support from  
3 our Special Operations Division and my teammates and my  
4 fiancée and my family, so I definitely feel, you know,  
5 looked out for.

6           **HSGAC Minority**: Good. What Federal agencies were  
7 present at the event, to your knowledge?

8           **Witness** : Other than Secret Service, I believe  
9 Homeland Security Investigations.

10          **HSGAC Minority**: Anyone else that you're aware of?

11          **Witness** : Not that I'm aware of.

12          **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Were you interviewed by anyone on  
13 the night of the event?

14          **Witness** : No. No, ma'am.

15          **HSGAC Minority**: What about since?

16          **Witness** : Yes, I have. I was interviewed by the FBI  
17 and Pennsylvania State Police, jointly. That interview was  
18 done at the same time. And then I was also interviewed by  
19 Secret Service Inspections Division.

20          **HSGAC Minority**: Do you recall when those interviews  
21 were?

22          **Witness** : I don't. The Inspections one was about two  
23 weeks ago. The FBI one was probably about three weeks ago.

24          **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Do you have any planned  
25 interviews or scheduled interviews with DHS Secretary's

1 Office?

2 **Witness** : I haven't received any news on that yet.

3 **HSGAC Minority**: What about the internal review, or the  
4 Independent Review Panel?

5 **Witness** : Nothing further as of now.

6 **HSGAC Minority**: Have they been in communication with you  
7 at all?

8 **Witness** : Not since my interview with them.

9 **HSGAC Minority**: The Independent Review Panel?

10 **Witness** : Oh, I'm sorry, the Independent -- I thought  
11 -- no, they have not. I have not received any  
12 communication from them.

13 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Did you have to put together any  
14 kind of after-action report?

15 **Witness** : No, I did not.

16 **HSGAC Minority**: Anything similar to that, may not be  
17 titled an after-action?

18 **Witness** : I just drafted my own set of notes, just as  
19 a -- to help keep my memory about the event fresh. So just  
20 kind of bullets.

21 **HSGAC Minority**: Your recollection?

22 **Witness** : Yeah.

23 **HSGAC Minority**: And did you send that to anyone?

24 **Witness** : I did not, no.

25 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Were you debriefed the night of,

1 not interviewed but --

2 **Witness** : No.

3 **HSGAC Minority**: Did you debrief anyone else?

4 **Witness** : I debriefed some of our leadership, or I  
5 guess one of our supervisors back in D.C., to kind of  
6 update him on what had happened to my knowledge and what  
7 was happening, kind of what our plan was, where -- you  
8 know, what the detail was planning on doing as far as  
9 staying at the hospital, relocating, where we were  
10 relocating to, just sharing that information. Because they  
11 were trying to coordinate assets to be ready for wherever  
12 we went.

13 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And your supervisor in D.C.,  
14 remind me, the individual's name?

15 **Witness** : So this was a different supervisor over our  
16 Operations Section. So in turn he's in charge of kind of  
17 managing where all the pieces are at, everyone on the  
18 Counter Assault Team, how that kind of all fits into play.  
19 So he was -- I was debriefing him. His name is **D.C. Supervisor**

20 **D.C. Supervisor**

21 **HSGAC Minority**: **D.C. Supervisor** ?

22 **Witness** : Mm-hmm.

23 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Thank you. So was there a formal  
24 Security Room or Command Post set up?

25 **Witness** : Not to my knowledge, no.

1           **HSGAC Minority**: Because we, in our discussions, we've  
2 talked about -- in previous discussions, not with you --  
3 we've talked about a command post that was at the site.  
4 What's the difference between a formal and an informal  
5 command post?

6           **Witness**: I would describe like an informal command  
7 post being the [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] LES  
8 [REDACTED] That is, all radio communications  
9 are relayed through there, [REDACTED],  
10 for continuity, for reciprocity, and just to make sure, you  
11 know, that information -- because they have a stronger  
12 [REDACTED] -- that that gets pushed out to, you know,  
13 all the assets if maybe -- if I put something out over my  
14 handheld, some entities might not pick that up right away,  
15 so then they relay it, to ensure that everyone else hears  
16 it.

17           So like for this instance, at this site, all  
18 information was -- at least from what I was briefed -- was  
19 to be passed through [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] and then they would  
20 relay it.

21           **HSGAC Minority**: So was there a site-specific post that  
22 is separate from this command post?

23           **Witness**: Yeah. Now that I'm thinking about it,  
24 actually, I do believe there was a Security Room. Because  
25 I remember -- I remember getting briefed, or hearing the

1 [REDACTED] LES getting briefed that, like not to get  
2 bogged down with -- like we wanted to keep the [REDACTED] LES  
3 [REDACTED] available to relay and disperse like  
4 pertinent information to our bubble and not necessarily get  
5 bogged down with something that's happening like way out in  
6 the guest parking lot. So I remember them being briefed  
7 to, you know, if something comes in to pass it along, and  
8 then let it go, let those entities handle it and not get  
9 bogged down and like, you know, be in this relay for, you  
10 know, maybe someone passed out, you know, from the heat or  
11 something like that. Let the locals handle that.

12 So I can't remember if that was because they did have  
13 a formal Security Room or they were just being briefed to  
14 like, hey, once you've passed the information on, let those  
15 entities handle it. You don't have to like, you know,  
16 confirm that the person that passed out is being helped by  
17 EMS now. Just pass the information on and go on with it.

18 But as far as an informal Security Room I would  
19 describe it as, it's running out of the [REDACTED] LES ,  
20 because we don't have a like Command Post or a Security  
21 Room or a post designated to that.

22 [REDACTED] HSGAC Minority: Okay. And so when you were talking  
23 about communications, radio communications being recorded  
24 versus not --

25 [REDACTED] Witness : Mm-hmm.

1           **HSGAC Minority**: -- you were speaking regarding the  
2 informal Security Room that you were a part of.

3           **Witness** : Correct, yes.

4           **HSGAC Minority**: Not necessarily other potential Security  
5 Rooms that were set up.

6           **Witness** : Correct.

7           **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. So you said earlier that you  
8 weren't aware of any Iranian threats against the former  
9 President. Is that accurate?

10          **Witness** : I don't recall if I was specifically asked  
11 anything regarding any Iranian threats, but to that --

12          **HSGAC Minority**: I'll ask it now.

13          **Witness** : -- to that point, no, I was not aware of any  
14 specific threats towards former President Trump.

15          **HSGAC Minority**: General threats?

16          **Witness** : No.

17          **HSGAC Minority**: Would the CAT team operators, members,  
18 generally be informed of specific threats to a protectee?

19          **Witness** : If it was -- yeah, if it was a specific,  
20 relevant threat to our event, our movement, our operations,  
21 yes, absolutely.

22          **HSGAC Minority**: And what would be the purpose of the CAT  
23 team being made aware of relevant threats?

24          **Witness** : Situational awareness.

25          **HSGAC Minority**: Would CAT team operators potentially

1 take that into account when planning? What that impact  
2 how they may respond or their interpretation of events  
3 while they're there?

4 **Witness** : It could. We consider -- obviously, as you  
5 guys probably can imagine now, from hearing -- we consider  
6 endless amount of factors in developing our security plan  
7 or our response plans. Yeah, absolutely, if we had a  
8 credible or intelligible threat toward a protectee, it  
9 definitely would get briefed and play a factor into our, or  
10 one of many factors, into our security plan.

11 **HSGAC Minority** : And again, you did not receive any.

12 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

13 **HSGAC Minority** : Were you aware that there was an  
14 individual arrested the date prior to the event for  
15 plotting to assassinate U.S. officials on behalf of a  
16 foreign government?

17 **Witness** : This is one of those pieces of information I  
18 can't recall if I'd heard about it the day before or if I  
19 was made aware of it after the fact.

20 **HSGAC Minority** : So you may have been aware of it the day  
21 before the event?

22 **Witness** : I may have.

23 **HSGAC Minority** : If you were, how would you have been  
24 made aware, do you believe?

25 **Witness** : It could've been like in a, well, we have

1 our Protective Intelligence Division, and they are kind  
2 of the -- they're the division, the core, I guess, for  
3 making sure that they're tracking and sharing,  
4 disseminating intelligence threats towards our protectees,  
5 and making sure those get followed up on or that  
6 information gets dispersed. It could've come from someone  
7 within their division. It could've come from a local or  
8 like a local FBI office that was maybe tracking something.  
9 I know we work with them a lot, and they can pass  
10 information to that field office who could then share it.  
11 But usually, ultimately, all that stuff would ultimately go  
12 to the Protective Intelligence Division.

13 **HSGAC Minority**: And is there individuals from the  
14 Protective Intelligence Division that are on the ground  
15 with either the detail or you all?

16 **Witness**: They generally, like for **LES**  
17 **LES** visits, they'll have like a Protective  
18 Intelligence Division advance person, and I can't recall if  
19 they had -- if we had anybody for the **LES** visit or not.

20 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. I'm going to introduce some  
21 exhibit. We'll walk through them. We can start with --  
22 what number are we on? Sorry -- Exhibit 7. This is Bates  
23 No. 346.

24 [Exhibit No. 7 was  
25 marked for identification.]



1 **HSGAC Minority**: Are you familiar with this?

2 **Witness** : Yes.

3 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. So how are you familiar with  
4 this?

5 **Witness** : It looks like it's an email that would have  
6 an attachment displaying the CAT schedule.

7 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. Do you know which of these emails  
8 -- this is heavily redacted, so do you know which of these  
9 is you?

10 **Witness** : No. There would be probably close to **LES**  
11 or over **LES** people on that email, because it would include  
12 all CAT personnel and any **LES** personnel that were  
13 working in a CAT capacity for that time, or that pay  
14 period. Excuse me.

15 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. So this is all CAT agents across  
16 the Secret Service.

17 **Witness** : Yes. Correct.

18 **HSGAC Minority**: And so this is titled, or the subject  
19 line is "Draft CAT Red Pen Schedule," so that's the  
20 schedule for the dates that are identified?

21 **Witness** : This would be like the retroactive  
22 schedule. So with our mission, obviously, and our  
23 protectee's travel, things change all the time. So to  
24 reflect or, you know, ensure we get paid for the hours that  
25 we work on overtime and whatnot we'll have a Red Pen

1 Schedule that will come out after the fact showing  
2 adjustments. So if you worked a nine-hour instead of an  
3 eight-hour day it will reflect that in there. So this is  
4 the draft, and then there would be another, like official  
5 or final Red Pen, just in case there were any other last-  
6 minute changes that would come out.

7 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. If you flip to the next page --  
8 sorry. Does this reflect the actual attachment that was  
9 attached to the email?

10 **Witness**: I believe so. That's what it looks like.

11 **HSGAC Minority**: It's heavily redacted, so it may look a  
12 little bit different. So it appears there's a header with  
13 dates, and then it's completely redacted, and then at the  
14 bottom there's a footer that says, "Prepared by" and then  
15 it appears there are some redactions. Do you know who  
16 prepared that document?

17 **Witness**: That I do not know.

18 **HSGAC Minority**: What about to the right of that, who  
19 signed for it, Special Agent in Charge?

20 **Witness**: That would've been the SAC of the SOD  
21 Division, **ASAIC Special Ops**.

22 MS. SALAZAR: Okay. And then the assistant, or the  
23 ATSAIC, to the left?

24 **Witness**: We have multiple ATSAICs on the Special  
25 Operations Division, so I can't recall.

1       **HSGAC Minority**: That's fine. If you flip to the next  
2 page, it looks like there's -- it's heavily redacted but  
3 there's a yellow box. I'm assuming that means it's  
4 relevant to your team. Are you familiar with the  
5 unredacted portion here?

6       **Witness**: Judging just by like placement on the pages,  
7 I would imagine that's probably reflective of my schedule  
8 for that day.

9       **HSGAC Minority**: So are you **LES**?

10      **Witness**: I'm sorry?

11      **HSGAC Minority**: Is that -- so I guess can we go through,  
12 what is **LES**?

13      **Witness**: That's just how we would code that  
14 particular protectee, as far as like on our timecards.

15      **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then WDO?

16      **Witness**: Working day off.

17      **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then there's dates. So where  
18 would your name be in this, because it looks like your name  
19 is also redacted.

20      **Witness**: It would be in the far left column. So if  
21 you can imagine a column to the left of the Sunday, the  
22 name would be listed over there.

23      **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And you believe this is you that  
24 this is referring to?

25      **Witness**: I would imagine so, because there was only

1 **LES** of us that would be on the schedule that day for --  
2 or no, just **LES** of us. It would just be myself and **CAT Advance**  
3 that were on the schedule that day for that particular  
4 assignment.

5 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then if we can continue  
6 flipping through, the next several pages redacted. Page 4  
7 of that document, Bates No. 350. Is this then **CAT Advance Lead**?

8 **Witness**: I would imagine so, yes.

9 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then if you flip through to  
10 page 6, Bates No. 352. This portion of the document  
11 appears to have a different header. Do you know what this  
12 is?

13 **Witness**: Yeah. This is still the same attachment.  
14 Typically, at the very end it will kind of have a  
15 breakdown, like the protectee assignment codes. So it  
16 would have a matrix for **LES**, would be -- I can't remember  
17 if it's CNOS or if it's specifically for **LES**. And then  
18 it would have a list of like all anticipated and upcoming  
19 travel and the dates and for what protectees and who is  
20 planned to -- what CAT agent was assigned to go out on that  
21 travel or work that visit or advance.

22 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And so if you look down it says,  
23 the only portion that's unredacted here is 12 and 13. Do  
24 you know what the redacted portions in that line are? So  
25 it says, "SOT travel in support of DPD-" and then there

1 appears to be a redaction. Do you know what's under  
2 that redaction?

3 **Witness** : No.

4 **HSGAC Minority** : What about below that? It says, "Blank  
5 N teams."

6 **Witness** : No, ma'am.

7 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. So you're not sure what's under  
8 any of these?

9 **Witness** : No.

10 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. If we can move on. The next  
11 exhibit is Bates No. 356.

12 [Exhibit No. 8 was  
13 marked for identification.]

14 **HSGAC Minority** : Are you familiar with this? It's an  
15 email.

16 [Pause.]

17 **HSGAC Minority** : Are you familiar with this?

18 **Witness** : Oh, I'm sorry. No, that does not look  
19 familiar to me.

20 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. So you don't believe that you  
21 were either sent or received this?

22 **Witness** : I do not believe so, no.

23 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. The email subject is "Schedule  
24 Issue," and it appears to be from someone on a CAT team to  
25 Ops, and it says that someone won't be traveling from his

1 assignment until Sunday, 7/14. Do you know what that's  
2 referring to?

3 **Witness**: I may have -- I think Ops had originally  
4 made an error on my schedule and showed me as coming home  
5 on the 13th, so my hours were, or my days off and  
6 everything, my schedule wasn't reflected properly as it  
7 should have been. So I believe I emailed my TL, my team  
8 leader, just so he was tracking, and then as per our SOPs  
9 he would go to Ops direct and let them know so they could  
10 adjust the schedule so it reflected accurately on our  
11 timecards at the end of the pay period. That could be what  
12 this is in reference to. I don't remember if I was CC'd or  
13 listed on the email or not, though.

14 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then we'll go to the next  
15 exhibit, Bates No. 360.

16 [Exhibit No. 9 was  
17 marked for identification.]

18 **HSGAC Minority**: Are you familiar with this? It's an  
19 email.

20 [Pause.]

21 **Witness**: This email does not look familiar to me, no.

22 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. So you don't believe that you  
23 received this?

24 **Witness**: I do not think I was on this specific email  
25 chain, no.



1       **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. It appears that it's a text  
2 message on July 13th at 8:11 p.m., and it says, "CS number  
3 for Pittsburgh Airport." So you're not familiar with that?

4       **Witness**: It was a text message? It could've been one  
5 of the counter sniper individuals sending me the phone  
6 number for one of the CS assets that was going to be at the  
7 airport, so I can make contact with him and just confirm  
8 they were set up out there.

9       **HSGAC Minority**: And to clarify, this is Exhibit 8, I  
10 believe? 10? Sorry.

11       So can you repeat, who do you believe sent that?

12       **Witness**: If my memory is correct -- because I know,  
13 again, I was trying to coordinate assets and link people  
14 together -- that it could have been me asking for contact  
15 information for one of the counter snipers, Secret Service  
16 counter snipers, that was going to be jumping out to the  
17 **LES** just to make sure we had CS assets there  
18 and also advise my leadership of where all of our assets  
19 were at. So that could be in relation to that.

20       **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And so it's after the event.

21       **Witness**: Yes, that's correct. This would've been at  
22 the hospital.

23       **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And so you were trying to  
24 coordinate counter snipers for the airport since the event  
25 had -- or since the timeline had been delayed.



1           **Witness** : Yes, ma'am.

2           **HSGAC Minority**: So these counter snipers would not have  
3 already been planning to be at the airport?

4           **Witness** : No. That's correct.

5           **HSGAC Minority**: Do you know where they would've been  
6 coming from?

7           **Witness** : If they were Secret Service counter snipers,  
8 which I'm surmising they were, they would've been at the  
9 Butler rally, and we would've had different CS teams --**LES**

10           **LES**

11           **LES**. This was  
12 probably to make sure we had Secret Service CS teams there,  
13 just to -- we have coms, direct coms with them, but it was  
14 probably also to have additional Secret Service -- not  
15 Secret Service -- additional assets there, because we were  
16 operating under a heightened security posture at this  
17 point.

18           **HSGAC Minority**: And were there Secret Service counter  
19 snipers posted at the hospital?

20           **Witness** : Yes, there were.

21           **HSGAC Minority**: Where did those Secret Service counter  
22 snipers come from?

23           **Witness** : I believe they came from the Butler rally.

24           **HSGAC Minority**: They came from the Butler rally?

25           **Witness** : I believe so, yes.





1 MR. [Agency Counsel] At this point it's redacted.

2 [HSGAC Minority]: Okay. And just for the record, we would  
3 much prefer to be reviewing unredacted documents, but this  
4 is what we were provided. I know the witness has nothing  
5 to do with that, but I just, you know, we're asking if he  
6 recalls what was under the redaction.

7 MR. [Witness Counsel] I'm okay. He can respond.

8 [HSGAC Minority]: Okay. Thank you.

9 [Witness]: I do recall what this was, just in the  
10 context. "If you are working any assignment please be up  
11 on [LES]." I don't know what it stands for. We have so  
12 many acronyms. But it's a [LES]

13 [LES]

14 [LES] You can do a lot of different things on there to,  
15 you know, [LES] But  
16 if I have it up, [LES]

17 [LES]

18 [LES], okay, [Witness] [LES] You know,  
19 he's moving this way. So it's just for accountability and  
20 situational awareness, why they would ask that.

21 [HSGAC Minority]: And is that because things were changing  
22 and moving and you all were adapting to the situation?

23 [Witness]: Yes, ma'am. That is likely the reason. And  
24 I'd like to make a correction to what I said earlier, that  
25 that email went to all of Special Operations Division. It

1 probably just went to all of CAT, not the entire Special  
2 Operations Division.

3 **HSGAC Minority**: And all of CAT across Secret Service or  
4 just all of the CAT team involved?

5 **Witness**: I would likely say all across Secret  
6 Service, because we had a lot of **LES** people working  
7 different assignments, so it likely would apply to them, as  
8 well.

9 **HSGAC Minority**: Okay. And then CAT Ops, is that the --

10 **Witness**: That's our Operations Section that is  
11 comprised of several individuals that would be responsible  
12 for making our schedule every week and allocating our  
13 assets.

14 **HSGAC Minority**: And the email mentions that all manpower  
15 taskings will come direct from CAT Ops. So were there  
16 discussions during this time that there may be additional  
17 manpower taskings?

18 **Witness**: I believe so, yes.

19 **HSGAC Minority**: Were there any additional manpower  
20 taskings made?

21 **Witness**: Subsequent to the events of the 13th, yes.

22 **HSGAC Minority**: What were those?

23 **Witness**: Increased coverage **LES**

24 **LES**

25 **HSGAC Minority**: Increased coverage within CAT, how many

1 CAT teams assigned, or what?

2 **Witness** : Yes. How many and the size of each of those  
3 CAT teams.

4 **HSGAC Minority** : How did the size change?

5 **Witness** : For **LES** we went from **LES** teams that  
6 provide like day and evening coverage to **LES** **LES** teams.  
7 And then they also have kind of changed our structure for  
8 **LES** . That's a little more fluid, though,  
9 based on our manpower and a variety of other things. And  
10 then obviously we just, with the two vice presidential  
11 nominations we picked them up, as well. But that was more  
12 so just a result of timing with them getting nominated.

13 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. Do you have any questions? No?  
14 Thank you.

15 **Witness** : You're welcome.

16 **PSI Minority** : **Witness** , this is **PSI Minority** again  
17 with Ranking Member Johnson's office. I have a few follow-  
18 up questions for you.

19 How did you arrive at the hospital on July 13, 2024,  
20 after the rally?

21 **Witness** : **LES** , in the vehicle that we  
22 came in.

23 **PSI Minority** : And in that **LES** that you were in,  
24 were you with the former President or were you in a  
25 separate car?

1       **Witness** : We were in **LES** vehicles, yes.

2       **PSI Minority** : And in the vehicle with you, were there  
3 other members of your team?

4       **Witness** : Yeah, **LES** **CAT Advance Lead** **[REDACTED]**

5 **[REDACTED]** **LES**

6 **[REDACTED]** **LES**

7       **PSI Minority** : And as you are going to the hospital,  
8 are you receiving radio communications at this time?

9       **Witness** : Yes, I am.

10      **PSI Minority** : And what are those communications?

11      **Witness** : Mostly it was like **LES** relevant stuff,  
12 because obviously we are now kind of making a high-speed  
13 egress on, **[REDACTED]** **LES**

14 **LES** So just calling different things out just for  
15 safety. And then I believe they were pushing out  
16 information to try to ascertain if we had law enforcement  
17 assets that were able to push ahead or get set up at the  
18 hospital.

19      **PSI Minority** : In addition to those communications,  
20 were you also receiving communications regarding the  
21 situation at the rally?

22      **Witness** : No. No additional communications from the  
23 situation at the rally.

24      **PSI Minority** : Do you know if any individuals  
25 associated with ATF were at the rally?

1           **Witness** : I'm not aware if they were or not.

2           **PSI Minority** : Do you know how long the counter sniper  
3 had the shooter in his sights before firing?

4           **Witness** : No, I do not.

5           **PSI Minority** : Were you aware that there was a remote  
6 device found near the shooter's body?

7           **Witness** : I can't recall if I was aware of that. I  
8 was aware, or made aware that the vehicle had been located,  
9 while we were at the hospital. While we were at the  
10 hospital I was made aware that there was a vehicle located,  
11 that they believed was -- belonged to the shooter, and that  
12 it may have had explosive devices in it. I can't recall if  
13 I learned later that he had some type of clicker device on  
14 him, like when we were at the hospital or after, or if it  
15 was in the days after, from all the media attention and  
16 whatnot.

17           **PSI Minority** : At approximately what time did you  
18 learn about the vehicle?

19           **Witness** : Oh geez. I can't speak to an approximate.  
20 It was sometime at the hospital.

21           **PSI Minority** : Hospital long were at the hospital for?

22           **Witness** : I want to say it was probably about two  
23 hours, maybe a little longer.

24           **PSI Minority** : So it would be sometime --

25           **Witness** : It was pretty soon after our arrival to the



1 hospital we started getting information like that.

2 Because I remember we were making sure that the vehicle was  
3 not on our motorcade route or one of our planned motorcade  
4 routes. So we jumped on that pretty quickly. I think that  
5 information got back to us fairly, fairly quickly upon our  
6 arrival to the hospital.

7 **PSI Minority** : And regarding what you heard about the  
8 vehicle, by the time you heard about this vehicle did you  
9 also hear that there were explosive devices found or that  
10 there could be explosive devices in the vehicle?

11 **Witness** : It wasn't confirmed, just that they  
12 identified devices that appeared to be of an explosive  
13 nature. It hadn't been confirmed if they were actually  
14 explosive devices or if they were active.

15 **PSI Minority** : Were you made aware of the location of  
16 the vehicle?

17 **Witness** : Yes. I can't recall what highway it was on.

18 **PSI Minority** : What about the make or model of the  
19 vehicle?

20 **Witness** : No, I don't remember. I believe, and I'm  
21 fairly confident that information was shared, but I don't  
22 remember. I knew that we were not -- **LES**

23 **LES** .

24 **PSI Minority** : Do you know whether Secret Service  
25 agents responded to the vehicle?

1           **Witness** : I do not, no.

2           **PSI Minority** : And after your time at the hospital,  
3 did you have to report back to your supervisor, or were you  
4 reporting to your supervisor real time, or was this  
5 something that you could wait to do at the end?

6           **Witness** : I was providing pretty frequent updates to  
7 the supervisor. It wasn't my direct supervisor. It was  
8 our Operations Section supervisor.

9           **PSI Minority** : Could you say that person's name again.

10          **Witness** : **D.C. Supervisor** .

11          **PSI Minority** : Okay.

12          **Witness** : Just passing him along information, updates  
13 on where we were going. Because they were trying to  
14 coordinate additional assets to come bolster our security  
15 posture.

16          **PSI Minority** : And how did you communicate with **D.C. Supervisor**  
17 **D.C. Supervisor** ?

18          **Witness** : By email and telephone.

19          **PSI Minority** : And was he responsive to you?

20          **Witness** : Yes.

21          **PSI Minority** : Are you aware of whether **D.C. Supervisor**  
22 communicated or forwarded your information to others?

23          **Witness** : I'm not aware. I know that I was -- after  
24 our first phone call I was instructed to provide a  
25 situation report via an email to several specific

1 individuals involved in SOD leadership, and another  
2 individual, I believe, was going to be the team leader  
3 responsible for traveling with the additional assets that  
4 they were trying to roll, to link up with us.

5 **PSI Minority** : You had mentioned a little earlier that  
6 you participated in a debriefing of leadership, I think you  
7 mentioned, and you shared with us, I believe, that **D.C. Supervisor**  
8 **D.C. Supervisor** was one of those individuals that you debriefed.  
9 Were there any other people affiliated with leadership that  
10 you personally debriefed?

11 **Witness** : I don't believe so. Obviously, a handful of  
12 individuals from our leadership called to check in and just  
13 offer their support. But there was no line of questioning.  
14 I didn't provide any like type of formal debrief. Any  
15 debrief I gave was formal and like on -- it was operational  
16 and during that day, on the subsequent events that occurred  
17 after.

18 **PSI Minority** : Could you expand on that in terms of  
19 what you mean by it was operational?

20 **Witness** : Purely for the purpose of making sure that  
21 we bolster our security posture from a tactical  
22 perspective, that we were prepared to get those elements to  
23 the correct place. Because we didn't know how long we were  
24 going to be staying at the hospital, if we were still going  
25 to New Jersey like we had planned, or if we were going to

1 go back to Florida, if we were going to stay in  
2 Pennsylvania. So just not necessarily -- I did not, at any  
3 point, provide like a formal debrief on like start to  
4 finish to any leadership of like what happened, what I  
5 perceived happened that day. It was more so all subsequent  
6 actions to coordinate our response.

7 **PSI Minority**: After you left the hospital where did  
8 you go next? Did you continue to stay with former  
9 President Trump?

10 **Witness**: Yes. We went directly to the Pittsburgh  
11 Airport. We stayed in the -- there's like **LES**  
12 **LES**  
13 **LES**. We stayed in there for an hour or  
14 so while they continued to just make sure. I think they  
15 had to get the plane, do some checks on the plane or  
16 something, or getting assets secured in New Jersey. And  
17 then we flew out with him in the plane to New Jersey.

18 **PSI Minority**: And was that the original plan for you,  
19 to leave with the former President that day?

20 **Witness**: Yes, it was.

21 **PSI Minority**: Okay. I want to go back to Exhibit 7,  
22 that was introduced earlier. This is the exhibit with the  
23 subject line "Draft CAT Red Pen Schedule," and it's dated  
24 July 13, 2024, 11:25 a.m., and it has the attachment that  
25 we were talking about earlier. Do you have that in front

1 of you, sir?

2 **Witness** : Yes, sir, I do.

3 **PSI Minority** : So I'm noticing that the date of this  
4 schedule is the date of the rally, July 13th. The  
5 attachment is still labeled as a draft. Is the attachment  
6 in this email still a draft, do you know?

7 **Witness** : Yes, it would be. So our timecards are --  
8 we have to have our timecards validated, ready for review  
9 by our supervisors close of business Sunday, so it gives  
10 our supervisors time to look over it, make sure our hours  
11 are submitted correctly, and that way first thing Monday  
12 morning our HR can go through and certify those so we can  
13 get paid. So they try to -- they send a draft Red Pen out.  
14 Usually it's accurate. But again, with our tempo and last-  
15 minute changes there are times where there is a change. So  
16 the draft Red Pen, it could come out Friday or Saturday.  
17 It just depends.

18 There are times where there's additional changes, such  
19 as in this instance. This came out -- was sent on  
20 Saturday. I was listed as working until 11 p.m. that  
21 night. However, obviously, I worked until 4 in the  
22 morning. So they went back and would send a final Red Pen  
23 out, and that would reflect me working through the end of  
24 the night.

25 **PSI Minority** : Understood. If you could turn to page

1 -- the Bates number is 347. It's the next page after  
2 the email. And we might have discussed this page earlier,  
3 but would you mind describing to me what is on this page?

4 **Witness** : Yeah. That would be the first page of the  
5 attachment, and it would just be an Excel spreadsheet with  
6 a breakdown by each team, and then each person would have  
7 their name in a row, and then you would see their hours and  
8 their assignment for the entire week.

9 **PSI Minority** : So you're saying there would be names  
10 of individuals on this?

11 **Witness** : There would be. Yes, there would be.

12 **PSI Minority** : And who was listed on this page?

13 **Witness** : That I can't recall. Again, we have  
14 approximately, you know, **LES** people on each team.  
15 I can't remember who is on each team, because we work with  
16 everybody so frequently.

17 **PSI Minority** : Can you tell from this document as it's  
18 presented to you who is on this page?

19 **Witness** : I could surmise names.

20 **PSI Minority** : Are there any names on this page?

21 **Witness** : There would be, yes.

22 **PSI Minority** : And the way that this document is  
23 presented to you, are there any names on this page?

24 **Witness** : Oh, in the way that it's presented. No,  
25 there's no names on this page.



1 all the members of the advance team. I referenced  
2 earlier the system we have. It's called [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] So  
3 people would go into this, and members of the advance team.  
4 They would fill in the information on their respective  
5 sites or their assignments. It's not all encompassing.  
6 For example, like the Special Operations Division, we have  
7 a different like set of documents and surveys that we  
8 complete. That information does get transposed into here  
9 through the different site agents. So there would've been  
10 multiple individuals responsible for completing the  
11 information that's contained within this document.

12 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : So it's fair to say multiple people  
13 contributed?

14 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : Yes, sir.

15 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : On the first page of this document  
16 there is a box that is titled "Advance Team." Do you see  
17 that?

18 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : Yes, I do.

19 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : To the extent that you know, because  
20 again, of the redactions it's very hard for us to tell, in  
21 the first row, under "Responsibility Lead," do you know who  
22 that individual would've been?

23 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : Yes. I believe it was [REDACTED] Lead Agent [REDACTED]

24 [REDACTED] .

25 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : Airport Site Agent?



1       **Witness** : I do not recall.

2       **PSI Minority** : Site Agent?

3       **Witness** : I do not know the name of that individual.

4       **PSI Minority** : Site Counterpart?

5       **Witness** : I do not know the name of that individual  
6 either.

7       **PSI Minority** : Intelligence?

8       **Witness** : No. Sorry.

9       **PSI Minority** : That's all right. Counter Sniper?

10      **Witness** : I believe it was **Hercules 1 C/S** .

11      **PSI Minority** : You say that last name was --

12      **Witness** : **Hercules 1 C/S** .

13      **PSI Minority** : **Hercules 1 C/S** ?

14      **Witness** : **Hercules 1 C/S** .

15      **PSI Minority** : And the TSD?

16      **Witness** : I do not know that name.

17      **PSI Minority** : And you said **Hercules 1 C/S** is the counter  
18 sniper. How did you become aware that **Hercules 1 C/S** was the  
19 counter sniper?

20      **Witness** : Just from my conversations with **CAI Advance Lead** and  
21 working, you know, the days leading up to the event. I  
22 just heard mention of his name, and then at some point, you  
23 know, throughout the visit, since that was our other  
24 tactical asset, I believe it was conveyed to me the name of  
25 the individual that **CAI Advance Lead** you know, had been speaking with

1 throughout the advance, as far as Special Operations  
2 stuff goes.

3 **PSI Minority** : Was **Hercules 1 C/S** present at the rally on  
4 July 13th?

5 **Witness** : I'm not entirely certain. I would imagine  
6 so, though. I don't know which specific technicians were  
7 operating as part of the two CS teams on the roof.

8 **PSI Minority** : And would a member of the advance team,  
9 in this case a counter sniper, would that person then be  
10 responsible for fulfilling a counter sniper's duties that  
11 day, or would they be more in terms of behind the scenes?

12 **Witness** : I believe, but I can't speak entirely just  
13 because I don't know how the counter sniper team conducts  
14 their advances and handles the day of the visit  
15 subsequently. So I would imagine so, with our manpower and  
16 whatnot, that we don't have the bodies to spare to keep  
17 somebody back on the sidelines for the day of the visit.

18 **PSI Minority** : I want to go ahead and turn to page 10.  
19 Let me know when you're ready.

20 **Witness** : Yeah.

21 **PSI Minority** : Okay. I guess towards the top of that  
22 page there's a box that says "Intelligence." It reads,  
23 Special Agent" -- redacted. Again, this is a redacted that  
24 was applied to this document prior to us receiving it. Is  
25 the intelligence advance for this visit, "At this time no

1 adverse intelligence has been developed concerning this  
2 visit. Any adverse intelligence that may arise will be  
3 passed to all working supervisors." Is it your  
4 understanding that you would, or your supervisor would,  
5 receive any adverse intelligence if it were to develop, and  
6 then share it with you or others?

7 **Witness** : It is, yes.

8 **PSI Minority** : And at the time that you received this  
9 document, you were not made aware of any adverse  
10 intelligence affiliated with either the protectee, former  
11 President Trump, or the event itself?

12 **Witness** : That's correct.

13 **PSI Minority** : And again, based on your awareness, do  
14 you recall when this document was created?

15 **Witness** : The version that was submitted to me was  
16 done so approximately one to two days before the 13th, so  
17 the 11th or the 12th.

18 **PSI Minority** : Would these Preliminary Surveys ever be  
19 updated after they are already disseminated to participants  
20 in an event?

21 **Witness** : No. Any update to the information contained  
22 within would be briefed and shared through other means.

23 **PSI Minority** : And if there were other developments  
24 such as adverse intelligence that would arise, that would  
25 just be separate from any formal documentation?

1           **Witness** : Yes. That's correct.

2           **PSI Minority** : Okay. I'm going to turn it over to my  
3 colleague right now, **PSI Minority** .

4           **PSI Minority** : **Witness** , sticking on this document,  
5 looking at page 6, it says, "Airport motorcade Butler  
6 County Sheriff's Office." Would that have been the local  
7 unit that was responsible for the counter snipers and for  
8 securing the airport?

9           **Witness** : That was not our motorcade team. However, I  
10 can understand why that may be listed there since we did  
11 have someone, a representative from Butler County, in  
12 linkup with us. So they technically were in our motorcade  
13 right after we arrived.

14           **PSI Minority** : But it may have been an individual from  
15 Butler County Sheriff's Office who was with you?

16           **Witness** : Well, so the Butler County Emergency  
17 Services Unit, the ESU or SWAT, as it more commonly would  
18 be referred to, would be comprised of sheriff's deputies  
19 from Butler County. I'm not sure. Some counties, their  
20 SWAT programs are made up of multiple officers from  
21 different city departments. I'm not sure how that county  
22 operates. They may be comprised of all sheriff's deputies.

23           So can we go back to -- what was your original  
24 question then?

25           **PSI Minority** : I'm just wondering, was it a Butler

1 County Sheriff's Office officer who was with you, either  
2 with the motorcade or who was assigned to you?

3 **Witness**: I'm not certain if it was -- from what I  
4 recall in speaking with him, that their SWAT team is  
5 comprised of, it's a conglomerate of, you know -- if an  
6 individual wants to try out for the SWAT team and they're  
7 from City A within the county, they can do so, and then  
8 City B can also do that if they're within the county. And  
9 then they're all -- it's a conglomerate of those. So I  
10 don't know if he was with Butler -- if he was a Butler  
11 County Sheriff's deputy or if he was from, you know, City A  
12 and he was on the Butler County SWAT team.

13 **PSI Minority**: Sure. Going back to the vehicle, did  
14 Secret Service locate the vehicle? Is it your  
15 understanding Secret Service located the vehicle?

16 **Witness**: No, because the information was relayed  
17 through our tactical counterparts to my partner, **CAT Advance**, who  
18 then relayed it to me. Just for context, when we got to  
19 the hospital **CAT Advance** **LES**  
20 **LES** **LES** to pass  
21 information back and forth between the shifts, get updates  
22 on the protectee, relay any relevant information to them,  
23 **LES** and then  
24 pass information back to our Operations Section in D.C. So  
25 he received that information from one of our local

1 counterparts that was with us on-site, and then he  
2 notified me via telephone.

3 **PSI Minority** : So your understanding is one of the  
4 locals located --

5 **Witness** : Local or state, yes.

6 **PSI Minority** : Okay. And then did you relay that back  
7 to headquarters, that a vehicle had been located with --

8 **Witness** : I can't recall if I relayed it back to  
9 headquarters, but I briefed the detail that was working the  
10 visit, and I made sure we confirmed that it wasn't on our  
11 motorcade route.

12 **PSI Minority** : Do you remember who you briefed?

13 **Witness** : Not specifically. There was a group of  
14 people. It would definitely involve the supervisors of the  
15 detail, though.

16 **PSI Minority** : Would it have been **Lead Agent** ?

17 **Witness** : I'm sorry?

18 **PSI Minority** : Would it have been **Lead Agent**

19 that you briefed? Is that who --

20 **Witness** : Not on that particular piece of information.  
21 I don't believe she was right there.

22 **PSI Minority** : Okay. Speaking of **Lead Agent** ,  
23 did you speak with her after July 13th?

24 **Witness** : Yes, I have.

25 **PSI Minority** : What did you discuss?

1           **Witness** : We discussed briefly, like that night,  
2 while we were back at the Pittsburgh Airport waiting for --  
3 while we were at the FBL, waiting for them to shore up our  
4 departure and arrival into New Jersey. I can't recall. It  
5 would've been -- it was very informal. It wasn't -- I  
6 didn't question her or ask her about any information about  
7 what happened, why. It was more so like, you okay, I can't  
8 believe that happened. And then I sent her an email maybe  
9 a week after the event, just offering her my personal phone  
10 number, and just telling her to keep her head up and to  
11 reach out if she needed to talk about anything.

12           **PSI Minority** : Has she reached out to you?

13           **Witness** : No. She responded and just said, "Thank you  
14 for your support," and has not reached out to me.

15           **PSI Minority** : Have you spoken with **CAT Advance Lead**  
16 about the events of that day since July 13th?

17           **Witness** : Yes, I have.

18           **PSI Minority** : What did you discuss?

19           **Witness** : **CAT Advance Lead** and I are very close friends,  
20 probably one of my closest friends on the job. We came on  
21 the CAT together, so we speak frequently. We would've been  
22 speaking frequently regardless, just for context. Just, I  
23 mean, recapping what we heard, what we saw, you know,  
24 surmising -- just talking about the event general. You  
25 know, we just went through something, a while event

1 together. Making sure each other was okay. I can't  
2 really speak to specifics because we've had multiple  
3 conversations since then.

4 **PSI Minority** : Fair enough. You communicate through  
5 text message and --

6 **Witness** : Mostly on the phone or in person. Text  
7 messages are -- he's from Tennessee, so she's kind of hard  
8 to understand on text messages sometimes. But those have  
9 been pretty simple.

10 **PSI Minority** : Have you spoken to **Hercules 1 C/S** since the  
11 event?

12 **Witness** : We exchanged several emails last week. It  
13 was relayed to me that he had checked in asking how **CAT Advance** and  
14 I were doing. I sent him an email, just telling him I  
15 appreciate that, and, you know, told him I hope that he's  
16 doing okay and gave him my cellphone number and told me to  
17 hit me up if he never needed anything and wanted to talk.

18 **PSI Minority** : He has reached out to you?

19 **Witness** : No, he has not.

20 **PSI Minority** : Okay. So I know you mentioned that you  
21 were briefed on a command post. Do you remember where the  
22 command post would've been located at the Butler rally?

23 **Witness** : I believe I said that I was briefed on like  
24 the radio operations of how they wanted the **LES**  
25 **LES** and not get bogged down



1 with stuff that -- again, if somebody passed out, let  
2 EMS know and then let EMS take care of it. We don't have  
3 to, from there, like everything's good. We don't have to  
4 make sure -- for the purpose of our mission, we don't need  
5 to make sure that that person has received medical  
6 attention now and they're doing okay. We're back to the  
7 protectee.

8 So I can't recall if it was briefed to let the  
9 Security Room handle it. I don't believe that we had a  
10 Security Room there, so I believe that, if I'm remembering  
11 correctly, [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] was just instructed to not get  
12 bogged down with non-pertinent radio traffic.

13 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : So the only radio hub that you were  
14 aware of was that [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] radio hub.

15 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : Yes, sir.

16 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : Was only Secret Service located inside  
17 of that [REDACTED] LES [REDACTED] and that radio hub?

18 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : Yes, sir.

19 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : There were no other state or locals  
20 located with that.

21 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : No, sir.

22 [REDACTED] PSI Minority [REDACTED] : Are you aware of how communications  
23 from state or locals were supposed to be relayed to the  
24 Secret Service?

25 [REDACTED] Witness [REDACTED] : I know as part of our general protection

1 structure we have a lot of redundancies in place with  
2 various parts of our security posture and our advance team.  
3 I can only speak to what our tactical redundancies were for  
4 coms with our tactical assets.

5 **PSI Minority** : And what were those redundancies?

6 **Witness** : So our local, or our state TAC team, which  
7 is our **LES** team, they had one of our radios in with  
8 them, and that would've been the only team we were  
9 communicating with in the **LES** And when we arrived  
10 at Butler we had the -- we could communicate directly with  
11 our Counter Sniper Teams, because we have the same radios.  
12 And then the site-dedicated response teams, their local TAC  
13 TL joined in with us, so he would or could relay  
14 information from his teams or to his teams, because he'd be  
15 right there physically with us.

16 **PSI Minority** : Got it. So I just wanted to make sure  
17 I have it clear. So the only way that you were able to  
18 communicate with other local units, besides the one that  
19 was embedded with you, would be to relay it to your local  
20 embed and then have him radio that out to his colleagues,  
21 and then wait for that to get back to you.

22 **Witness** : Say that again. Sorry, sir.

23 **PSI Minority** : So the only way that you were able to  
24 communicate with other local units, besides your local  
25 embed, would've been for you to communicate to your local

1 embed, have them radio out to all of their local  
2 colleagues, and then wait for a response through him, which  
3 he would then have to communicate to you. Essentially it's  
4 a long game of Telephone.

5 **Witness**: Yeah, I wouldn't consider it long, because  
6 again, like for our assets and how we're managing assets  
7 there, it's just the tactical element. So we're not --  
8 we're all law enforcement officers, so if we see something  
9 we're going to say something. Like if we need to push  
10 something out to patrol officers, say, or other units  
11 outside of the tactical realm, like we would do so. But  
12 for our immediate area of responsibility and concern we're  
13 just looking to -- our TAC commander would be right there.  
14 And also we trust these people. They're very skilled and  
15 experienced. So it wouldn't necessarily -- they wouldn't  
16 be necessarily reliant on us to go, "Hey, you've got to say  
17 this and this to your TAC teams." They can make those kind  
18 of command judgements. So it would just be a quick like  
19 back and forth.

20 **PSI Minority**: Understood. I guess what I'm getting  
21 at is if somebody who is stationed elsewhere were to see  
22 something, the only way that you would've been made aware  
23 of it is through your local embed. It would've had to come  
24 through him and then him telling you, "Hey, I just heard  
25 this."

1           **Witness** : Yes, unless there were other redundancies  
2 in place by other Secret Service personnel.

3           **PSI Minority** : You weren't aware of those  
4 redundancies.

5           **Witness** : No.

6           **PSI Minority** : Okay. Are you aware of an Agent  
7 **ATSAIC** ?

8           **Witness** : I'm sorry. What was the name?

9           **PSI Minority** : **ATSAIC** .

10          **Witness** : The last name sounds familiar. I can't  
11 place how I know that, though.

12          **PSI Minority** : Okay. Did you ask for a local radio?

13          **Witness** : I did not, and I can't speak to if **CAT Advance** did  
14 or not.

15          **PSI Minority** : Were you offered a local radio?

16          **Witness** : I don't believe so.

17          **PSI Minority** : I know you said you've done eight or  
18 nine protective details as a CAT officer. When locals are  
19 involved are they usually -- or are you usually offered a  
20 local radio, or do you have access to a local radio?

21          **Witness** : So generally for a **LES**  
22 **LES** , yes, what we would do is -- granted,  
23 the advance person would be on-site ahead of time. He'd  
24 have notification to grab spare radios. He would be  
25 working with local TAC all week, figure on your plan. We

1 would swap radios. I would make sure that at least each  
2 unit had one of our radios, and then we would have our  
3 secondary communication would be a local radio. And that  
4 can change depending on how many different entities we're  
5 using, if they have a shared TAC channel.

6 Because the other thing you have to consider is in the  
7 event something happens, so if I have my two radios on that  
8 are plugged into my headset and I've got one on the TAC  
9 channel and one on our shift's channel, even if I'm holding  
10 the third radio -- say, for example, if there was a shooter  
11 in the crowd at that event, or take that away, just for how  
12 it happened -- while I'm up on that stage the last thing  
13 that I'm going to be doing is pulling that radio out,

14 [REDACTED] LES I'm engaged  
15 scanning for threats, like -- for lack of a better term,  
16 doing work.

17 So while in a perfect world it sounds -- it's one of  
18 those things that, yeah, like we do it, but in the reality  
19 of it, if something goes bad your primary coms are going to  
20 be what you're using, because until you have time, space,  
21 and cover, you're not going to be pulling out additional  
22 radios and trying to link up.

23 **PSI Minority**: Understanding things go bad, you're  
24 listening to whatever you have on. But I guess in advance  
25 of that it sounds like you would have access to a local

1 radio, in a normal situation, to be able to at least  
2 scan it periodically.

3 **Witness** : Yeah. When we have the time to conduct an  
4 advance and we have people on the ground, and you're able  
5 to get those resources and plan that out, and you also have  
6 time afterwards to then exchange those radios back, yeah,  
7 we make the effort to put those redundancies in place.

8 **PSI Minority** : Okay. Thank you.

9 **Witness** : You're welcome.

10 **HSGAC Majority** : I just have a real quick follow-up on  
11 the earlier questions about the Preliminary Survey. You  
12 had mentioned that the Special Ops Division has its own set  
13 of planning or survey documents. What are those documents?

14 **Witness** : We complete a Tactical Survey and then a  
15 Special Operations Visual Survey. However, those were not  
16 completed for this visit, as per our standard operating  
17 procedures, or what were our standard operating procedures  
18 for CNOS coverage.

19 **HSGAC Majority** : You said it's standard operating  
20 procedures not to do them for a campaign event?

21 **Witness** : Correct.

22 **HSGAC Majority** : Gotcha. Thank you.

23 **HSGAC Minority** : So just to confirm, it's the standard  
24 operating procedures not to have that redundancy or  
25 swapping the radios for a non-presidential or vice

1 presidential individual such as what we saw on July  
2 13th. That's standard operating procedure.

3 **Witness** : I wouldn't say there isn't an SOP for it. I  
4 would say if it's viable as far as like timing and  
5 logistics, and if it makes sense -- if it would provide an  
6 effective method of communication. But we don't have -- as  
7 far as I'm aware we didn't have any formal written SOP on  
8 how to handle communications for that style of visit.

9 **HSGAC Minority** : And my last question would be, who  
10 would make that decision as to whether you were going to  
11 operate under that mechanism or not?

12 **Witness** : That would most likely come from SOD  
13 leadership. I'm assuming that they would be the ones who  
14 would create those SOPs or make alterations, and then that  
15 would trickle down. Or they would at least approve it. I  
16 could come up with an SOP, I guess, and submit it up. But  
17 yeah, they would be the ones that would ultimately approve  
18 it.

19 **HSGAC Minority** : Okay. Thank you very much.

20 **Witness** : You're welcome.

21 **PSI Minority** : Sorry, **Witness** . You just said if it  
22 would be effective you would have those additional  
23 redundancies. So based on what we read today in the radio  
24 logs, do you think it would've been effective to have local  
25 radio access on the day of the rally?

1 MR. [Witness Counsel] I'm going to direct him not to answer  
2 that. Let it go.

3 [HSGAC Majority]: I think if he has a view on it, he can  
4 answer it.

5 MR. [Witness Counsel] Excuse me?

6 [HSGAC Majority]: I think if he has a view on it, he should  
7 answer it.

8 MR. [Witness Counsel] If he has a what?

9 [HSGAC Majority]: If he has a view on that question, he  
10 should answer that question.

11 MR. [Witness Counsel] No. He's not answering. I'm directing  
12 him not to answer.

13 [HSGAC Majority]: All right. I'm going to ask it to you in a  
14 different way. Do you, in your professional experience,  
15 including events you've worked that have had access to that  
16 and events that have not had access to that, believe that  
17 that capability was something that should have been  
18 available to you that day?

19 MR. [Witness Counsel] Do not answer.

20 [HSGAC Majority]: All right. We will revisit if we need to  
21 ask additional questions here. We're not in a deposition,  
22 but I would ask for indulgence as we ask questions that the  
23 Committee is going to rely on as it draws conclusions,  
24 based on the failures that occurred that day. So we're  
25 going to have additional questions for all of our



1 witnesses, and if we need to revisit them and can't get  
2 them answered here, we're going to have to have additional  
3 conversations.

4 MR. **Witness Counsel** Understand.

5 **HSGAC Majority**: Any additional questions?

6 [No response.]

7 **HSGAC Majority**: This concludes our interview for today.

8 **Witness**, I want to thank you for your time today. We  
9 greatly appreciate it. And I want to thank counsel, as  
10 well.

11 We have tried to cover every topic area here.  
12 However, as you can see from some of the questions here,  
13 based on the redacted information we have received that has  
14 been limiting, I would just ask Secret Service and DHS to  
15 work with us to get unredacted information so that we can  
16 be more timely in our questions and answers here.

17 We may have further questions, and we will follow up  
18 if that is the case. As we mentioned at the beginning, I  
19 would ask that you not speak about what we discussed in  
20 this interview today with anyone outside of this room, to  
21 preserve the integrity of our investigation.

22 That will conclude the interview, and again, thank  
23 you.

24 [Whereas, at 5:00 p.m., the interview was concluded.]

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Committee Errata

Page	Line	Correction
65	3	Strike “Yay” and replace with “May”
80	4	Strike “direct” and replace with “correct”
90	9	Strike “in what” and replace with “how”
97	11	Strike “with” and replace with “on”
115	13	Strike “is” and replace with “are”
115	21	Strike “exhibit” and replace with “exhibits”
131	21	Strike “Hospital long” and replace with “How long”
141	23	Strike “redacted” and replace with “redaction”