

INTERVIEW WITH PAT SCULLY 29 NOV. 1981

Q Tell me about [REDACTED]. Rashid

A Well the first time that I met [REDACTED] Rashid must have been September, around September of '78 and I had been assigned as manager of an administration group who was responsible, one of the systems that we were responsible for was payroll system and they had had a lot of problems with it. The system had been written and tested and was working fine but they had to install it in 31 offices [Iranian] Aronian payroll offices, and they were meeting a lot of resistance from the users. They had hired a new [Iranian] Aronian to work on the system and his name was Rashid [REDACTED] and he had been working there for about a month and was just wiring the system and what to do. So he was, he was fairly new on the project and so was I and within the next month, up until this point they had been trying to install the system for six months in these 31 offices and they'd installed none. Within the first month that I was there I had done nothing watch what was going on and Rashid [REDACTED] installed 15. He got 15 of them working. I thought...

Q What was the problem that he had to overcome?

A Training, the users and talking them into using the system. They were just fighting the change. They didn't want to change to another new system.

Q Just out of sheer conservatism?

A Uh Hum. So. And there was a lot of work involved. They

were spread all throughout the city and it was just, you know, it was hard to go from one to another and get it done in any reasonable amount of time and there was a lack of people to do it. ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] had worked out a schedule where he could hit 4 or 5 of them in a day, and had one of the, one of the funny things that he did - he was, he tended to work very much on his own and he didn't, he didn't seek advice from anyone, he just did what he thought was right. Now you'd find after a while you'd have to watch kinder close or you'd might get into trouble! One thing that he did, is that he went to the Minister's office, this is you know, the Ministry of the whole Health and Social Welfare Organisation and tells secretary of one of the Minister's conference room and he got it and that was a really difficult for him to get that and he got it for a meeting and then he invited all of the users from all 31 offices and I found out about it a couple of days before the conference was going to be held so I went to see what was going on. When I walked in ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] was sitting in the Minister's chair with these two big microphones coming up ... and giving instructions to all these people about how to install the system! I couldn't believe it! So he got 15 of them installed there in a month and I was very impressed by it and I went to the Gaylord and I told him that I want to give this guy a bonus for what he's done and they thought it was kinda strange to give somebody a bonus so quick. But I got it all approved very quickly and I explained to him what

we thought of the work you'd been doing and that, you know we were very go ahead and everything was going well and I wanted to give him a bonus. I think it was \$1500 or something... Rashid said, no I don't want it! What'd you mean! So he says well I got 31 to do and I've only got 15 done so when I've finished 31 you can give it to me. So I said when you've finished 31 we may give you more but if ... no I'm not going to take it... he refused to take it. So I thought he was kinda an unusual character for what he'd done, then, then as the strike hit from the 5th of November, have you heard about this? O.K. so on the 5th of November they stopped keying any data for the systems including payroll. Well now at this point, Rashid got 15 offices going on and he's you know trying to get the others up and something's standing in his way. What he did was, everyone else was just giving up and saying well there's nothing we can do. Rashid didn't. He got all the input he needed for the systems and then he went down to Bank Oman and talked somebody else into keying the data for the Ministry, without telling them what it was, and he kept the system running.

Q And this is the 5th of November 1978?

A Yeah. Well and that went on through November that the... that the payroll that was running mid. November and he did it for the payroll run at the end of November. After he did it for mid. November, Gaylord got kinda upset about it because he didn't know how we got it done and then

when he asked me he questioned whether we ought to do that. ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] did it the next time too.

Q What was your job then, what was your title then?

A I was Project Manager for six systems, payroll, personnel, accounting, budget, inventory and one other small system, I can't remember what it was, but ...

Q All within the Ministry?

A Yes, this supported banker file, the health services, and social worker. Then I was working for Builder ^{Bill Dvoranchik} [Bill Dvoranchik] Ancheck at the time.

Q Did you both come out on December 8th and 9th or just ?

A Both of us did.

Q And where did you go?

A We went to Turkey.

Q No further?

A Yes, I was in charge of one of the evacuation areas and when we got to the airport, the guy who was in charge of the entire evacuation, his wife was Australian and she had a problem with her passport so they put me in charge of the evacuation of the people that were then in the airport, there was about 230 people to Turkey. Then right at the end we were able to straighten out her problem and he came too so we went to Turkey and when I got there Paul Buker asked me if I would put together a team of people who would go back in later and he wanted us to go back in maybe in 3 or 4 days after we got back to the States. So I talked to a number of people there and came up with a

list of 18 people who were willing to go back. So we went to Dallas and I met ^{Mr. Fish} [REDACTED] on that first trip out. Didn't spend a lot of time with him but met him and then we went back to Dallas. A few days after we were back in Dallas, Buker said go ahead and take the people back in. He didn't, we were not extremely concerned after the first evacuation that the Shah was really gonna be overthrown and we thought that eventually everything would settle down, and we wanted the children to finish the school year. So after I'd gone back in, we brought Mary and the kids back in and we came back in on the 23rd.

Q In time for Christmas?

(Woman) A Just in time for Christmas.

Q Why did you want to go back?

(Woman) A Well, I figured things were gonna cool off, I didn't think that there was really that big a problem. So Anna didn't want to spend Christmas apart, I mean if it wasn't going to be a big problem, he was obviously going to be there at Christmas, there was no doubt about that, and if the company was prepared to send me back I didn't really . And I did.

Q Would you say that the Embassy in Tehran was giving out the impression that it wasn't going to be a big problem, the Shah was going to stay?

A Sure, for sure. You know they were, the Embassy, all along the Embassy was telling us things like that they were, they'd give us days when they'd say, what

was the term that they'd? Maintain a low profile. And that was our, they tended to encourage people not to evacuate, until the very end. They also did not put together an extremely good evacuation plan. The evacuation plan was nil I would say. I'd say that the only thing they really did was co-ordinate with some companies to find out who was there. But if we had waited for the Embassy, we wouldn't have made our first evacuation.

Q O.K. So then you must have come out the second time after Bill and Paul were arrested.

A Yes. Bill and Paul were arrested on the 28th. We were skiing in the Zene at the time! We got home that evening and got a telephone call that they'd been arrested so then then asked us - I'd forgotten about this - ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] was the one that got us out on the second evacuation. It was really funny. The first ^{Rashid} time that we were evacuated when I got back, [REDACTED] was all upset, he said, you know you could have at least called me and told me that you were leaving and I didn't. So this next time I got the call, picked up the telephone and I called ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] and said we're being evacuated the second time and I want you to know about it and he said fine, I wanna come over and help you pack your stuff up so that I'll make sure that it gets shipped to the States for you, show me what you want shipped and what you don't want. So ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] came over that night, he spent that night with us, and we packed the things up, then he took us all to the airport and

we didn't have tickets or any idea of how we were gonna get out of the country and it was difficult to get in the airport then, especially if you were Iranian. If you showed up at the airport and you had a foreign passport they'd let you in the building, if you were an Iranian they wouldn't even let you in the building unless you had a ticket. Well we didn't have tickets and ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] was Iranian but somehow he got in and I don't know how he did it. He said don't worry about it, you go on in and I'll be in behind you. And then it was early in the morning, about what time was it Mary?

(Woman)

A I don't know. About

A No at the airport, the second evacuation. About 8 o'clock? And not much was open or going on in there.

(Woman)

A The doors were shut. The Police were guarding the doors shut.

A So when we got inside, ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] said I'll go and see if I can find some tickets and he came back out about 10 minutes later and said here's the tickets. I don't know how he did it. He told us to just line up all your bags right here and he even then we had to go through Customs, we had to go through Passport Control and all that and he can't get past there without a passport and a ticket and he was back in there with us too.

Q Alright. So by this time you already knew that he was somebody who could make it happen.

A Yes

Q Generally by being, he must have been a good talker or something.

A Right.

Q But now you also trusted him.

A I did. Other people didn't know him yet.

Q Yeah. But tell me why you trusted him.

A I trusted him. He was young and he was, I think he was only about 21 you know or 22, and I'm not sure we ever really figured out how old he was. But I trusted him because I thought he was a little bit niece, he didn't have the experience to be someone that was on the other side. He and I had had a number of political discussions where he didn't like the Shah nor and he hated Khomeini. He was very neutral, but he was a very loyal type of Iranian. He believed in his country. So I didn't see him being tied to either side from the Iranians, he really liked Western type education, he wanted, you know I asked him, I said ^{Rashid} [REDACTED] if there was ever one thing I could do for him what could it be and he said get me to Dallas so I can go through your training programme in Dallas. So I dunno, I just, I trusted him. And he could get things done.

Q O.K. Where did you go on December 29th? To Dallas?

A We went to, didn't we catch the one that landed in Istanbul or Rome?

(Woman) A Yes

A Yeah. Some Pan Am thing.

Q So you arrived, so you would probably arrived on the 29th on the same day?

A Yes

Q And where did you stay in Dallas?

A North Park? North Park Hotel.

Q O.K. So that was in the early hours of the morning of December the 30th, and I believe that it was [Marquez] January the 1st when Tom Marcus called Colonel Simons.

A Yes. Yes, it was December the 31st when Ross talked to me the first time.

Q O.K. Tell me what he said.

A Well, let me back up a little bit and tell you what happened before. On the way back, flying back, we were all very upset about what had happened and Gaylord...

Q Tell me who was on the plane.

A Well [Schwebach] Swaybach (phonetic) was. He was the one I was talking to. Can you remember who else was on the plane? There was, Wilson Garris was on the plane, Joe Cashay was on the plane. I don't know who that Mr. was.

Q Coburn?

A Coburn was on the plane I think. Tom Bartson (phonetic) was. Nokious.

Q O.K.

A It's very hard for me to remember.

Q O.K. Tell me about that conversation.

A Well, we had, we were upset about Tom and Bill being [Paul] in jail, and there was something that had happened, where he'd really startled me. A few days before, around Christmas time, a couple of Afganis had been caught in the Bazaar stealing, there'd hung 'em. The mob hung them. So things were really getting tense down in the

city, people were just, I mean, things were irrational were happening and when they got arrested it just scared us 'cos we didn't know what they would do next. The soldiers who were out on the streets were carrying a load of weapons and they'd even start shooting people on the streets. Some taxi driver had pulled out of line in a gas station, guard there just shot him right through the head. And you know, things like that, so we figured that it really wouldn't be that hard to get 'em out of jail!, so we'd started talking about it on the plane back about what we could do.

[Schwebach]
Q This is you and Swayback (phonetic)?

A Yes. It's, Gaylord had spent Christmas with us, didn't [Chiapparone] Chaperoni (phonetic) come over later? But Gaylord had dinner with us.

(Woman) A No Gaylord had dinner with [Chiapparone] . And Chaperoni ...

A Oh and Briggs had dinner with us and Gaylord came over later. But, we were all pretty good friends and you know it's hard to see one of your friends being in that type of situation, you flying home.

Q Yes

A So we thought we oughta, we oughta do something and we had been talking about it although it sounded kinda crazy. So on the 29th, and Coburn and I had discussed it lightly after we had gotten back to Dallas cos [Schwebach] Swayback went some place else. And then on the 31st in the evening I was in working on arranging tickets for the people who were still there, Ross had said what he

he wanted us to do was ensure that we had a ticket every day for everyone who was in Tehran so that when the two guys got out or when we wanted to bring somebody else out they'd be available. So that's what I was working on at that time.

Q How many tickets was that?

A Think 10. Was about 10 people back there. So Ross came in and he just asked me point blank question, he said do you think we're doing everything we need to for Paul and Bill and I thought he was gonna think I was crazy but I said no, I don't and he said what'd you think we oughta do and I said we oughta to, we oughta break them out. And I told him, I said I know it sounds strange but we're crazy, but I really think that if we don't they have a good chance of getting killed in there. So to my heart of surprise he said I'm thinking of the same thing. So he said, he said he'd talk to Jay and he asked, and he asked Jay and I to get together and come up with a list of people who we thought could do it. And he told me that he was just thinking at that time of asking Colonel Simons to lead the team and that whatever team we put together Colonel Simons may say . But to go ahead and do it anyway.

Q So how many names did you come up with?

A Well we came up with, I daresay 8 and I can tell you who they were. The only one that was, that was not in [Keane] [Davis] the country at the time was Keen, came up with Ron Davies,

[Poche] [Boulware]
Joe Pershay (phonetic), Ralph Bowler, and who's
the guy that's in Dallas now and works in Amsterdam?

[Keane]

Q Keen? No, you've said him.

[Keane] [Glenn]

A No Keen, not Keen. Tom Jackson, and Ralph and Rick,
Jay and I from the inside.

Q I make that 6.

A Who am I missing?

[Schwebach]

Q Swayback?

[Schwebach]

A Swayback.

Q O.K.

A So that was only 7.

Q So there was nobody on the list who got eliminated later?

A No. The idea was when Jay and I were thinking about, was
that we wanted to have people who knew Tehran. We thought
that was the most important thing and next we wanted to
have people who we felt could act on their own in a tough
situation. So that's how we came up, and they were people
we knew and felt comfortable with.

Q O.K. So, this solves a mystery then, because originally
I was told there were 12 people on the list.

A Well if there I didn't know about them. They may have
been another list but I didn't know about it.

Q O.K. You basically came up with the team that went.

A Yeah. All the names that, that I came up with, with Jay.

Q O.K. And were you looking for people with a military
background?

[Davis]

A Well, some of them didn't, Ron Davies didn't have a
military background but Ron Davies was very good with
his hands.

Q He was a karate champion.

A Yeah. And ...

Q Glen Jackson.

A Glen Jackson's very good with any kind of rifle.

Q And you knew that?

A Yes. He's a great hunter, and he talks about it all the time and he's a very ... At least he talks about how good he shoots.

Q Alright. He had the idea that you didn't know about his shooting.

A Oh yeah.

Q He wasn't quite sure why he'd got picked. Maybe he doesn't realise how much he talks about it.

A Yeah that might be it.

Q O.K. and I think everybody else had been in the military.

A Yes.

Q And some of them indeed at being quite fierce situations in the military. O.K. why were you on the list?

A Well, well since I put the list together! I think the reason that Ross had come to me, cos he knew, he knew that I'd been Ranger Instructor. Now when I was hired
[E.D.S.] by E.V.S. the first one I talked to was Tom Marcus and
[Marquez]
we had a rather interesting interview. Mostly what we did was talk about my military experience and although I'd not been to Vietnam I'd been an instructor in the Mountain Ranger Camp and I had taught this type of operation there. So ...

Q Had you done this kind of thing anywhere?

A ? No.

Q Alright. Now I think I know a good deal about the training period. January 31st Ross spoke to you, by January 2nd when Simons flew in you had put together packets of information about everybody on the team. With service record, application forms when they'd joined E.S. and stuff like that, how many children they had, all that. And those were given to Simons when he arrived, but he didn't really do anything with them, I guess he read them.

A 'Bout 5 minutes a piece.

Q O.K.

A I don't think he was really, he wasn't going to pick his team based on what was on paper.

Q O.K. and then you were all gathered into the boardroom
 [E.D.S.]
of E.V.S. on the evening of January the 2nd.

 [Schwebach]
A Except Swayback weren't there yet.

Q O.K.

A He came in that night but he wasn't there in the initial.

Q Did everybody else get in on January the 2nd?

 [Keane] [Keane]
A Well Keen wasn't. Keen was in Tehran.

Q He was still in Tehran.

A Everybody else was there.

 Schwebach]
Q Everybody else was there except for Swayback. O.K. Well he had trouble getting there I guess.

A He was snowed in where he was but he got there that night, after the first meeting, it was kinda fun 'cos I couldn't tell Jim on the telephone you know, what he was coming

for, but I'm sure he knew! And so, it was, it was exciting for me to meet Colonel Simons for the first time, we taught his raid, you know, in Ranger School and he's a famous character and to meet him was exciting. So he, after the meeting, he was with Ross [Schwebach] in Ross' office, Swayback comes down the hall and I came out with a grin ear to ear on either side! I said guess who you're gonna meet tonight and he said I dunno who, I said Bill Simons. He said oh my God!

Q So that's when he knew what he'd been called to Dallas for?

A Yeah. But I think he knew he just didn't know how big it was gonna be.

Q O.K. Now what was your role then. That was January the 2nd. January the 3rd you eventually in late afternoon all went to Lake Grapevine and you started on this long process of discussing this raid. Now what was your role in the, in the plan, the first plan which involved driving the van up to the the fence. What was your role in that?

A I was going to be security at the. If this was the street, and there was a cross street here and a cross street down here and the van was coming this way and I was going to be at this corner. [Schwebach] Swayback's gonna be at this corner.

Q O.K. Why were you and Swayback chosen for those positions? [Schwebach]

A I don't know. I guess.

Q Well I think Swayback was chosen because Simons felt that he wouldn't hesitate to shoot somebody if necessary. Why

were chosen - was that the same, might that have been the same reason?

A I guess, I dunno!

Q O.K.

A I think.

Q Go on.

A The Colonel knew my background of being in Ranger School and you know, from a security position and the people that are in the security position tend to be used to play any role in case something goes wrong, somebody else gets hurt or lost.

Q O.K. Tell me what you thought of the way Simons handled those 6 days at Lake Grapevine.

A I was surprised, I intended him to take a lot more authority and I enjoyed the way he did it. He let us participate a lot more and he listened to what we were saying. He was fun. He was really interesting, 'cos he's a character so I didn't, I liked it.

Q What made it fun?

A Well he's funny. He, the way he talks and the way he does things. Instead of it being normal, a normal military operation would have been very cold, would have been very exact planning. The plan would have been put together by one or two people, other people would have been given jobs to do during the planning phase. They would not have involved the plan necessarily but would have involved preparation for, for whatever we were gonna do, things like, Swayback spent a lot of time trying to figure out although detention device to

blow up a car they'd he'd put together and things like that could have been done, we could have been given jobs such as cutting a hole out of that van but we weren't, we were involved in the plan. So and then able to sit there with Bull and see how he went about it and what he thought and get his feed back.

Q You never did cut a hole in the roof of that van did you?

A No.

Q That's something I don't understand. Simons' was so meticulous and he made you rehearse that whole routine so many times.

A No, I wasn't there during that rehearsal.

Q Well what were you doing?

A When they started the rehearsal they threw me the turkey, to meet ^{Mr. Fish} [REDACTED].

Q Oh I see.

A So, Simons was convinced, you know, I could stand on the corner with a knife and a gun and take them apart! You can do without having to be in a rehearsal!

Q About what date did you plant the turkey?

A I can't remember.

Q Yeah it must have been about the 6th because there was about 3 days of talking about the plan.

A Yeah.

Q And about 3 days of rehearsing it and shooting practice at the same time.

A Yeah. I went to shooting practice once.

Q O.K. So it must have been about the 6th. You flew to

Istanbul and you decided that it was not the best place to stay.

A Well, Bill made that decision. I got there and I checked into the hotel and I talked to this ^{Mr. Fish} [REDACTED] and the idea was to give him minimal amount of information but to get his corporation, what we wanted to be able to do was to get our baggage through Customs without it being inspected number one and two to help us get some aircraft that we could fly into Tehran and out. And during the first evacuation ^{Mr. Fish} [REDACTED] got all our bags through and we didn't even ask him to do it. So I thought . So I'll ask him to do it and pay him to do it certainly he'll do it. But he got very suspicious you see, you know, he started asking me why, and I said well what we wanna do is we've got some tapes, some magnetic tapes for systems in Tehran that we've got to get back in and we can't take any chances on it. We don't want anybody x-raying those tapes or doing anything that could hurt them and we don't want them confiscated. And we had worked out that tapes was our code word for guns and ^{Mr. Fish} [REDACTED] said no, I'm not going to do it. So Bill.

Q It was a rather thin story anyway.

A Yeah, I guess it was! It was all we could think of at the time! I don't know if it is. I guess it was. Then we didn't know how difficult it was to get aircraft in Turkey but the only thing ^{Mr. Fish} [REDACTED] could offer us was this air that was actually flying out of Jordan. So when I called Bill up and gave him the results he said

well forget it, meet us in Paris. So I just checked out and flew to Paris.

Q And then you never went from Paris.. at that point you did not go from Paris to Tehran.

A Yes I did.

Q Oh you did?

A Yes.

Q At that point?

A No. About 3 or 4 days later.

Q O.K.

A the first ones that went there was Paul and Joe, and Jay and we decided...

Q And Ralph went to Switzerland and never got any further.

A Yes. Something happened. Something happened with the tickets or something.

Q No. You discovered he was on the stop list at the Tehran airport and he'd had trouble getting out.

A O.K.
[Keane]

Q Keen must have discovered that.

A Right. Course did somebody tell you about Keen's flying out and Amsterdam getting stopped and turning around and what happened? [Keane]

Q Well, I think he went to Frankfurt.

A What is Frankfurt?

Q Yes. Well the story is I've been told is that Ross called him and said I want you to go back and he said listen if you want me to go back and clean up pieces of paper I'm not going to do it and Ross said no it's not to clean up

pieces of paper, just go back, that's the way I've heard the story.

A It was a little different than that. [Keane] Keen had I think was checked in at the airport hotel and was going to be catching a flight out in a number of hours later and Bill said let's just send him back in. So ...

Q Because he'd been on your original list.

A Right. And so, I can't remember if it was Jay or myself called him up and said you're supposed to go back to Tehran but we can't, we couldn't even say we can't tell you about it, just said, you're supposed to go back into

Tehran. [Keane] Keen got mad, he wanted to go home and he says I'm not going to Tehran for any Mickey Mouse bullshit! What do you guys want me to do! So he said, we didn't know what to say, we couldn't talk him into it so then we called him back a little later, I was in the room and Ross was in the room and we talked to Keen. We

said [Keane] Keen we've got somebody who wants to talk to you.

Ross got the [Keane], said Keen I wouldn't ask you to go back to Tehran for any Mickey Mouse bullshit, go to Tehran. So he said ah yes-sir. It was

funny. I'm surprised Merv didn't tell you that story, he got a kick out of that one, he was in the room too.

We had [Keane] Keen on the speaker box just to hear what he'd say! What his reaction was gonna be when Ross told him!

Q Well this must have been around about the 4th or 5th of January that that happened then? O.K. Tell me what you did after the others went to Tehran, after Simons [Poche] and Koshay (phonetic) and Coburn and Bill were

left Paris. You must have hung around for a few days?

A A few days yeah. We didn't do much of anything, I remember we went into town one day, we were out at the _____ and they were giving us a lot of trouble with the way we wanted to pay our rooms and _____ . We moved to another hotel.

Q Why was that?

A I'm trying to remember what it was but I had gotten into Paris ahead and had made the reservations at the hotel and told them that I would pay for all the rooms and gave them, you know, I said how much, what do you want as a down payment or you know, how do you want to do it and you know I paid them a hefty down payment but they never figured their records straight and they kept sliding messages under everybody's door telling them that they had to pay and I kept trying to get that straight and finally we got fed up with them and

Q Did Simons think that was suspicious or did he just think that it was a screw up?

A He just thought it was a screw up.

Q O.K.

A We were, we were being pretty careful, we, Simons was really not there very long.

Q Next thing you did was you got some radios.

A Well that was after we left Tehran.

Q Oh

[Schwebach]

A See Swayback and I then went into Tehran, we Bull, went in with Jay and Joe and they did an initial re-con. and then Swayback and I followed them in two days later.

The intent was we didn't all want to go in at the same time, it would look kinda funny. Jim and I were carrying some ammunition and some knives.

Q Oh. You had the .

A Yeah. I think we had the . Did Jim had the shotgun loader with him or did somebody else carry that?

Q I don't know.

A See, we had a shotgun loader that we had bought.

Q Yeah.

A And then we had shells, and buckshot and powder.

Q Oh, and you had shells too?

A I don't know who had them. I didn't have the shells. I had the buckshot. We kinda split the stuff up.

Q I thought all you needed was buckshot? I thought you could get shells in Tehran? but buckshot?

A I don't know. Yeah, that's right, that's right, that's the way it was we couldn't get the heavy buckshot but we had a loader. I remember we had to go to Sears (phonetic) to get a loader. I thought ...

Q Didn't ...

A But I thought we had to get some extra powder too.

Q Oh, I hadn't heard about that. Did you have a false bottomed case?

A They. Jay was carrying that in the first trip.

Q But it was empty.

A It was empty.

Q There were two false bottomed cases.

A The other was in Dallas.

Q So you never used it.

A No.

Q O.K.

A I understand that Ross almost put it on that 707 but Merv talked him out of it. Which would have been well I don't know. They might have got it at Gatwick.

Q So what did you have?

A I had buckshot and my knife.

Q But it wasn't concealed, the buckshot wasn't concealed?

A No it was just wrapped in paper. Just to keep it together.

Q O.K. What happened then?

A We went out, nothing, but we were worried because some lady at the airport, some Iranian said that they were really going this luggage looking for anything [Schwebach] suspicious. So Swayback and I decided on the airplane that when we got to the airport if it looked like that we were just not gonna pick our bags up and walk through. But they weren't doing anything so we went through the airport and when we got out the airport we got harrassed a little bit by some Iranians but nothing special. Got in an orange cab and had it take us close to where we were going and got out and walked to the house.

Q And this was with, whose apartment did you go to?
[Dvoranchik's]

A Duranchicks (phonetic).
[Dvoranchik's]

Q Duranchicks apartment. O.K. By then the other 3 were staying and I guess they must have told you the results

of their reconaissance? What happened there?

A Well, Jim and I spent several days, I can't remember how many, maybe 3, maybe 4 days in Tehran and the only thing that we did at night we'd go out and get food from other peoples apartments and collect some booze and we shuffled some cards around and I think, I can't remember why we were doing it, but I think what we did was we took cars to Keen Taylor's house or somebodys where they had a 55 gallon drum and we were filling them up there and trying to get as many cars with a full tank of gas as we could, there were mostly just , Hillmans. Bill came up with another plan which was we were gonna get him out of jail anyway we can without breaking him out. Get him on parole somehow. They probably, you know, we knew they wouldn't get their passports back and we knew that they'd have a tail on them so the plan was how do we get them out with a tail on them and we came up with this plan where we would take, we'd get them in one car and Swayback and I'd be in another car and we would pick up the tail, find out where he was and then we would pass the tail and eliminate them. But no-one could do that when we you've no radio contact with the front car, mean we didn't have radios.

Q What did it mean to eliminate the tail?

A We would ad lib! We would kill whoever was in the car.

Q O.K.

A We figured what we would do is we'd gonna have to wreck their car first. We'd kill, we'd have them, give us a