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In the Matter of Arbitration Between:

RAILROAD DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION,:

Claimant, : Case ARB/07/23

and

THE REPUBLIC OF GUATEMALA,

Respondent.

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671 669 09:05:43 1 are waiting to hear from the Tribunal on that point. 09:07:39 1 behalf of Maya Quetzal dated May 12, 2009, and PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Foster. 2 March 11, 2011? MR. FOSTER: Well, again, we can't imagine A. Yes. 4 why anyone would object to merely having the dynamic Q. Okay. Do you ratify those statements and 5 model. It's something that, of course, I could sit 5 affirm their truthfulness before the Tribunal? 6 Dr. Spiller in the chair with his calculator and get Now it's fine. Now I can hear. 7 him to do the same thing. It doesn't make much sense Q. Can you hear now, Mr. Iten, the translation? 8 to do it that way when we're trying to be efficient as 9 opposed to long-winded. 9 Q. Mr. Iten, what is your position at Maya MR. ORTA: I'm sorry, the objection is the 10 Ouetzal? 10 11 fact that it's being produced now during trial, not in A. I'm President of the company. 12 compliance with the rules. We had a set of rules, and Q. And what types of business does Maya Quetzal 13 so--I mean, the objection is based on that, you know, 13 engage in? 14 this is being submitted very late in the day. We A. We work with all metals for recycling, 15 haven't even seen it, a dynamic model that we've not 15 export, classification--classifying and exporting 16 seen, had a chance to look at, test, or anything. PRESIDENT RIGO: Obviously, if it was sent 17 Q. And do you refer--do you work in scrap metal? 17 18 half an hour ago, we have not seen it, either, so we A. That's right. 19 will come back to you on that. But your objection is Q. Now, in the course of your scrap metal 20 purely that it is extemporaneous. 20 business, do you ever--did you ever have occasion to MR. ORTA: Well, and we don't have an ability 21 meet or speak with Mr. Héctor Pinto? A. That's right. 22 to make any substantive objection over the model 672 670 09:09:06 1 09:06:58 1 because we haven't seen it yet. Q. And how often did you meet or speak with PRESIDENT RIGO: We will proceed to the 2 Mr. Pinto? 3 examination of the witness. A. I met Mr. Pinto 15 years ago selling other INNGMAR ITEN, CLAIMANT'S WITNESS, CALLED 4 items, leather, and I didn't really like him. He 5 didn't keep his word. He wasn't a proper PRESIDENT RIGO: Good morning, Mr. Iten. THE WITNESS: Good morning. 6 businessperson. PRESIDENT RIGO: You have a statement before And, in 2006, through Aceros de Guatemala, I 8 you. Could you read it out, please. 8 was required to engage in business with Ramon Campollo THE WITNESS: I solemnly swear, upon my honor 9 through him. I opposed having a relationship with him 10 and conscience, that I will tell the truth, the whole 10 because I already knew him. Nonetheless, he was 11 truth, and nothing but the truth. 11 imposed as the intermediary. That was in 2006. Q. Let me take you to your meetings and PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you very much. 13 MR. FOSTER: Mr. Stern will present the 13 discussions with Mr. Pinto in 2006. In the course of 14 witness. 14 those meetings and discussions, did he ever indicate 15 to you whether he was representing the interests of 15 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Stern. 16 Mr. Ramon Campollo? 16 MR. STERN: Thank you, Mr. President. DIRECT EXAMINATION A. He told me that. Plus, the only way that I 17 17 BY MR. STERN: 18 accepted speaking with him was because he was coming Q. Good morning, Mr. Iten. 19 on behalf of Mr. Campollo because I did not consider 19 A. Good morning. 20 Pinto to have any credibility. 20 Q. Do you have in front of you the copies of the Q. Let me direct your attention to the scrap 22 statements you have submitted in this arbitration on 22 metal auction which was conducted by the Government of

 $\tt 09:10:27\ 1$   $\,$  Guatemala in May of 2006, which you described in your

- 2 statements. Just prior to that action, did you have
- 3 an occasion to meet with Mr. Pinto?
- 4 A. That is right.
- 5 Q. Okay. Could you please describe that
- 6 meeting, what was said, what happened.
- 7 A. He tried to convince me that I needed to send
- 8 to him the spare parts that Mr. Campollo needed to
- 9 take to Santa Domingo because they had a similar train
- 10 as the one in Guatemala that they were using for the
- 11 sugar mill in Santo Domingo, and he wanted to try to
- 12 convince me that they were going to be the owners of
- 13 the railway in the future and that all that line and
- 14 -11 bla man and a last that he are a last to an
- $\,$  14  $\,$  all the cars were obsolete; that he was going to sell  $\,$
- 15 them to me to recycle them because they were going to
- 16 set up a new train system.
- 17 Q. And the new train system that was referred
- 18 to, is it your understanding he was talking about the
- 19 Guatemalan railway?
- 20 A. Yes, the Guatemalan railway. He said that
- 21 they were going to take possession of it, and they
- 22 were going to set up a complex of warehouses in the

- 09:13:07 1 A. Initially, the auction process--well, it was
  - 2 a public auction in which Maya Quetzal, my company,
  - 3 was awarded the Contract as the buyer. At the
  - 4 auction, well, it was held by the Government of
  - 5 Guatemala through Coyapine (ph.), which is the
  - 6 Commission of State Assets. So, the scrap metal that
  - 7 was going to be delivered to me was from the railway,
  - 8 so FEGUA handed the units over to Coyapine, the
  - 9 Commission on State Assets, and the Commission on
  - 10 State Assets handed over all the recycling materials  $\,$
  - 11 to me.
  - So there, as I received the units, the
  - 13 personnel from the Madre Tierra sugar mill came in. I
  - 14 understand that was--also belongs to Mr. Campollo with
  - 15 the equipment and all, and we supervised the cutting
  - of the spare parts, and they were going to take it straight from there to the containers that were going
  - 18 to be sent to Santo Domingo. That's it.
  - 19 Q. And what was your understanding as to why the
  - 20 scrap metal, these spare parts had to be sent to Santo
  - 21 Domingo, to the Dominican Republic?
  - A. Because they had a train in Santo Domingo

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- 09:11:46 1 south that they were going to tie in with the ports,
  - 2 and they were going to try to have a much more
  - 3 profitable arrangement than what was happening with
  - 4 the rails.
  - 5 Q. And you said that they were going to take
  - 6 possession of the railway. Who is the "they"? What
  - 7 was your understanding who the "they" was that he was
  - 8 referring to?
  - 9 A. He said that Ramon Campollo already had
  - 10 arrangements to keep the railroad. He spoke on behalf
  - 11 of the Ramon Campollo because Héctor Pinto didn't have
  - 12 any credibility.
  - 13 Q. Now, after the May 2006 scrap metal auction
  - 14 was conducted by the Government, did you have occasion
  - 15 to deal with Mr. Pinto again?
  - 16 A. Yes. We were taking the scrap from the
  - 17 railway. They were getting--had taken spare parts to
  - 18 take to Santo Domingo, and there were several
  - 19 meetings.
  - 20 Q. Okay. And could you describe just the
  - 21 process by which the scrap was delivered to
  - 22 Mr. Campollo, scrap metal.

- 09:14:30 1 that they used to handle the sugar at Ramon Campollo's
  - 2 sugar mill. They needed those spare parts because
  - 3 they couldn't find them anywhere else.
  - 4 Q. Thank you, Mr. Iten. I have no further
  - 5 questions. You may now answer questions from
  - 6 Guatemala's counsel.
  - 7 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Orta, Mr. Salinas?
    - MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: Thank you,
  - 9 Mr. President.

- 10 CROSS-EXAMINATION
  - BY MR. SALINAS-SERRANO:
- 12 Q. Good morning, Mr. Iten.
- 13 A. Good morning.
  - Q. My name is Daniel Salinas. I'll be asking
- 15 you some questions. I represent the Government of
- 16 Guatemala in this proceeding.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. Mr. Iten, just to put the issue in context,
- 19 Mr. Pinto is dead, isn't he?
- 20 A. Yes, that's right.
- 21 Q. Now, you said that you met Mr. Pinto 15 years
- 22 ago; is that correct?

- 09:15:30 1 A. That is correct.
  - Q. And that you met with him in the context of 3 selling him or him selling you some leather; is that 4 correct?
  - A. Fifteen years ago I sold it to a tannery 6 where Ramon's brother was the General Manager, and the
  - purchasing manager was Pinto. That is why I had a 8 relationship with him.
  - Q. You stated Pinto as not being a proper 10 businessperson; is that correct?
  - A. That is correct, due to the fact that at the
  - 12 time, 15 years ago, he was always trying to get
  - 13 commissions. I told this to Magena, Ramon's sister.
  - 14 It became a problem. He was threatened by Pinto, and
  - 15 I was received threats from--it became a problem. I
  - 16 stepped and only negotiated with Magena.
  - Q. Let's take that one step at a time. He was
  - 18 trying to get commissions, you say?
  - 19 A. Correct.
  - Q. Can you tell us a little bit about that. 20
  - A. The tannery was called La Pequeña, and he
  - 22 would represent purchasing at the tannery on behalf of

- 09:17:56 1 Q. So, in that context, Mr. Pinto was going 2 outside his authorized duties and asking you for 3 additional benefits; is that correct?
  - A. That is correct.
  - Q. Now, let's go for a second to the statement 6 you say Mr. Pinto made. You say in your first
  - 7 Declaration--and, sir, you have a binder in front of
  - 8 you which contains documents. Those documents are
  - 9 both in the English and Spanish language. For
  - 10 purposes of the Tribunal we will be projecting on that
  - 11 screen to your left a document, but we will be
  - 12 projecting them in the English language so that the
  - 13 Tribunal has the benefit of reading them in that
  - 14 language, but if you wish to see the Spanish version,
  - 15 it will be before you in the binder, and I will be
  - 16 directing to you the corresponding tabs.
  - And actually I might be proving myself not to 17
  - 18 be not accurate. Does that binder--well, you have
  - 19 before you both of your statements; correct? Right
  - 20 underneath the binder.
  - 21 A. That is correct.
    - Q. Okay. Now, sir, in your first Declaration,

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- 09:16:55 1 Campollo's group. When I would deliver to them, I
  - 2 began by negotiating with Magena, but then they
  - 3 imposed him as the purchasing manager, and he wanted
  - 4 to get an extra commission out of me, so not only
  - 5 would I pay for the product, but he would also want me
  - 6 to pay him a commission as though he were--well, that
  - 7 seemed like corruption to me, so I didn't accept it.
  - 8 I went to Magena, but that was an impasse of about a

  - 9 month of being in meetings of confronting him to
  - 10 clarify everything.
  - Q. So, he was trying to extract additional money
  - 12 from you that wasn't contemplated in your business
  - 13 relationship with this person you called Magena; is
  - 14 that correct?
  - A. That is correct. 15
  - Q. And you say you told this to this person you 16
  - 17 called Magena?
  - A. That is right. Magena is the sister of Ramon
  - 19 Campollo.
  - Q. And you dealt directly with Magena after 20
  - 21 that?
  - A. That is correct.

09:19:12 1 Clause 3, where it says first, second, and third, so

- 2 second page, you say that one of the things Mr. Pinto
- 3 told you was that, "It will not be long before the
- 4 Government of Guatemala will take the railway from
- 5 Ferrovias and, therefore, any future purchase of scrap 6 metals derived from railway assets or equipment would
- 7 have to be negotiated with him." Is that correct?
- - A. That is correct.
- Q. So, Mr. Pinto told you that the negotiations
- 10 for the purchase of scrap metals would be directly
- 11 with him, with Mr. Pinto, not with Mr. Campollo;
- 12 correct?
- A. Yes, because he would say that he was
- 14 Campollo's representative.
- Q. Now, you said--you used the word "jactaba"
- 16 just now. The translation I think might be a little
- 17 inaccurate. It says he would say that, but you used
- 18 the word "jactaba." What do you mean by "jactaba"?
- A. He liked to repeat that he represented
- 20 Mr. Campollo. He was very proud of that.
- Q. I think--so, is it your testimony that he
- 22 would braq about being Campollo's representative?

A. Yes. He liked to go around saying that he 09:21:10 1 2 represented Campollo.

- Q. Did he also ever tell you that he represented
- 4 the entire sugar industry?
- A. No, never.
- Q. From what you know of Mr. Pinto, knowing him
- 7 for 15 year, did you ever know him to represent the
- 8 entire sugar industry?
- A. No, never. I always knew that he worked for 10 Ramon Campollo.
- Q. Now, you say that in your relationship--in
- 12 your prior relationship with Mr. Pinto when he would
- 13 sell you leather, when he tried to extract additional
- 14 benefits from you that were outside his scope of
- 15 duties or his authorization, you went directly to the
- 16 person from the Campollo group who was above
- 17 Mr. Pinto; is that correct?
- A. I went to Ramon's sister, Magena, who was the
- 19 General Manager of the tannery.
- Q. Do you know Mr. Campollo?
- A. Not personally, but I recognize him. I know
- 22 who he is.

- 09:23:51 1 and it was confirmed there also that Ramon Campollo 2 was the interested Party.
  - Q. But I want to be very precise here, sir. You
  - 4 say you spoke to Mr. Ubico. Did you tell Mr. Ubico
  - 5 that Mr. Pinto had been telling you that he would from
  - 6 then on, from very near in the future on, you would be
  - 7 dealing directly with him because they, i.e., as you
  - 8 understand it, Mr. Campollo would control the
  - 9 railroad? Did you tell that to Mr. Ubico?
  - A. What Mr. Ubico told me was that I should pay
  - 11 attention to Hector Pinto because he was the person
  - 12 who Ramon Campollo put in charge of all of those kinds
  - 13 of businesses. I did explain that the interested
  - 14 Party on my part would provide all of the scrap from
  - 15 the sugar mill and also from Héctor Pinto.
  - Q. Let me try my question again. Did you tell
  - 17 Mr. Ubico or Mr. Campollo that Mr. Pinto was telling
  - 18 you that Mr. Campollo would control the entire
  - 19 railroad shortly thereafter?
  - A. We did discuss this with Eduardo Ubico. We
  - 21 were discussing what Hector Pinto had been telling me,

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22 and he told me that he was the right-hand man for

- Did you reach out to Mr. Campollo and ask him 09:25:16 1 Ramon Campollo. I never did speak with Ramon. 09:22:26 1
  - 2 in this occasion when you heard these statements from
  - 3 Mr. Pinto about whether those statements had been
  - 4 authorized by him in any way?
  - A. But I was pressured by Aceros de Guatemala,
  - 6 which was the key smelting company in Central America
  - 7 to which I hand over most of my product. I was
  - 8 pressured by them to deliver the product to Ramon
  - 9 Campollo because they were friends, so I was certain
  - 10 that it was for Ramon that that product was earmarked.
  - Q. We will get to how that product came to be in
  - 12 the possession of Mr. Campollo's companies, but we
  - 13 will leave that for a minute from now. But I'm still
  - 14 trying to understand the context of the statements.
  - 15 So, am I understanding correctly that you did not
  - 16 reach out to anyone else within the Campollo
  - 17 organization to question them about these statements
  - 18 that Mr. Pinto was making?
  - A. I only spoke with Eduardo Ubico, who was the
  - 20 manager for the Madre Tierra sugar mill, which is a
  - 21 property of Mr. Ramon Campollo, and they are the ones
  - 22 who were coordinating the cutting of the spare parts,

- Q. So your testimony here is that you, in fact,
- 3 told Mr. Ubico, who I understand--you understood was
- 4 employed by Ingeniero (ph.) Tierra Madre that
- 5 Mr. Pinto had been saying that he was going to control
- 6 the entire railway?
- A. Not Héctor. He said that Ramon was going to
- 8 be the owner and that he was going to be in charge of
- 9 selling all the scrap. That Héctor Pinto was going to
- 10 be in charge of selling all the scrap metal.
  - Q. That's what Mr. Pinto was telling you?
- A. That's what Mr. Pinto told me, and that's
- 13 what I discussed with Eduardo Ubico.
- Q. Now, in your Second Statement in Paragraph 5,
- 15 you mentioned that Mr. Pinto had his offices at
- 16 Edificio El Triángular in Guatemala City; is that
- 17 correct?
- A. That is correct. 18
- Q. Now, you say that that building is owned by
- 20 Mr. Campollo; is that correct?
- Yes, that's what everyone says in Guatemala. 21
- But you don't know whether Mr. Campollo owns

687 685 09:26:41 1 that for a fact; correct? 09:29:02 1 imposed on me that I sell the spare parts to Ramon 2 Campollo and that I deal with Héctor Pinto as the A. That is correct. Q. Now, what is Maya Quetzal's address, 3 intermediary as the person in charge of receiving the 4 spare parts on behalf of Mr. Campollo, I objected to 4 Mr. Iten? 5 that person because of the history, and I met with him A. Avenue Tanatra Sur--6 a few times, once at Central Station before the THE INTERPRETER: The Interpreter apologizes, 7 it went very quickly. 7 auction and before taking out all the materials, and A. Tanatra Sur Avenue, 35-91, Zone 12, Guatemala 8 there he told me that Ramon was going to be the owner 9 of the whole railway and that he was going to be able 9 City. Q. The same address for Ferrovías de Guatemala; 10 to sell me all of the iron from the rails and the cars 10 11 correct? 11 because it was obsolete, and they were going to be A. That is correct. 12 changing the system. 13 Q. Now, you don't speak for Ferrovías de 13 Q. Thank you. 14 Guatemala, do you? 14 My question was when. When did these A. No, sir. 15 statements allegedly take place? 15 Q. You don't represent them for every purpose A. Days before taking out--days before the 17 just because you share office space; correct? 17 auction. A. Excuse me, could you repeat the question? Q. So, would that have been on or about 19 19 May 2006? You don't represent Ferrovías de Guatemala in A. I don't remember the exact date, but it was 20 21 every respect just because you share office space, do 21 10 days before we began to pull out all the spare 22 parts and all the scrap metal, more or less. 688 686 MR. STERN: I'm going to object to the 09:30:21 1 09:27:53 1 Q. First Statement of Mr. Iten, again, Clause 3. 2 question because he said he didn't represent them at 2 I just want to be precise about the time, Mr. Iten, 3 all, and the question in every respect suggests that 3 and I'm going to show you or direct you to your First 4 there's--he represents them in some respects. I think 4 Statement, third paragraph. You say that you had a 5 that's misleading. 5 meeting with Mr. Pinto at the railway yards of the MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: I will rephrase the 6 Central Station located in zone one, and you say 7 question. Good point, Mr. Stern. 7 second line from the top in the English version, that BY MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: 8 it was sometime during the first 10 days of the month Q. Just because you share office space doesn't 9 of May 2006. 10 mean that you represent Ferrovías de Guatemala in any Does that refresh your recollection as to 11 respect; correct? 11 when it was? A. That is correct. A. Yes. Q. Now, going back to the statements, when Q. Now, were you aware, Mr. Iten, that by that 14 exactly did Mr. Pinto tell you this, that it would not 14 point Mr. Campollo had already communicated directly 15 be long before the Government of Guatemala would take 15 to Ferrovías that he had no interest in participating 16 the railway away from Ferrovías? 16 in any railway project? A. That was due to the fact that I didn't want A. I did not know that, no. 17 17 18 to negotiate with Mr. Pinto because of my history with Q. Okay. Now, Mr. Iten, Mr. Pinto told you in 19 him. He wanted to convince me that he was going to be 19 May 2006, that, again, quoting, "It would not be long 20 very powerful and that he was going to be able to 20 before the Government of Guatemala would take the 21 engage in more business with me selling all the scrap 21 railway away from Ferrovías," and he also told you 22 from all the railway because initially when it was 22 that you should wait to hear from him again; is that

691 689 09:31:48 1 correct? 09:34:37 1 Q. How did Hector Pinto describe that railroad? A. That is correct. A. That it would be used to take the sugar from Q. Did you ever hear from him again? 3 the sugar mill, just that, and we said that we were A. After? After, yes, but we were in contact 4 going to go there and look at it, but we never went. 5 because we were dealing with the auction that lasted Q. Did Mr. Pinto mention how long the railroad 6 more than a year. Q. About any additional scrap from the railway? A. I don't remember the details of the 8 conversation. Q. He allegedly also told you that the railway Q. Did Mr. Pinto tell you whether that railroad 10 control would pass to Mr. Campollo, to Mr. Campollo 10 provided freight transportation for an entire country? 11 Marroquin you say, who would be in charge of A. I do not recall. 12 negotiating any other business involving the Q. You don't remember whether Mr. Pinto told you 13 Guatemalan railway in the future. 13 or not? A. That is correct. 14 Have you done any additional scrap metal 14 15 business involving the railway equipment or the Q. Now, do you know, Mr. Iten, whether the 16 railway in general since you spoke to Mr. Pinto? 16 railroad that Mr. Campollo supposedly operates in the A. I don't know if I understood the question 17 Dominican Republic is roughly about 20 to 30 18 correctly. Please could you ask the question again? 18 kilometers long? Q. Sure. 19 A. I don't know about that, really. Have you done any additional scrap metal Q. During your testimony in answer to questions 20 21 business with the railway equipment after your 21 from Mr. Stern, you classified that railroad as being 22 conversations with Mr. Pinto? 22 similar to the railroad in Guatemala. What did you 690 692 A. No. What I bought was Bandequa (ph.), which 09:33:15 1 09:36:10 1 mean by that? 2 is Chiquita Banana. This was way before the FEGUA A. That it's the same--acts as the same wheels, 3 auction, and it wasn't with Mr. Pinto. 3 but I don't know the Santo Domingo railway. Q. In your First Statement you say that you know Q. But you did understand--and correct me if I'm 5 that the Lesivo Declaration was, "months after his 5 wrong--that it was an internal railroad that the sugar 6 meeting with Pinto, " your meeting with Pinto, in 6 mill used to move the product; correct? 7 May 2006, and that's in your first Declaration, again A. That is correct. 8 Clause 3. Q. And you had no understanding as to whether Now, do you know, sir, whether to this day 9 the railroad had commercial operations and provided 10 Mr. Campollo has any right or possession of railway 10 services for third parties other than the sugar mill

11 equipment? A. Only in Santo Domingo, not in Guatemala. Q. So, your understanding is that Mr. Campollo 14 has absolutely no right or possession of any railway

15 equipment in Guatemala related to Claimant's Usufruct, 16 to the Ferrovias Usufruct?

A. That is correct. 17

Q. Now, you mentioned the railroad in the

19 Dominican Republic. Do you know anything about that

20 railroad?

A. Just what Mr. Héctor Pinto told me and

22 Eduardo Ubico told me.

11 that it serviced in the Dominican Republic; correct?

A. That is correct.

Q. Sir, are you aware that after May 2006, which 14 is when Mr. Pinto allegedly made these statements to

15 you, he contacted people from Ferrovias and even RDC,

16 Mr. Posner, himself, on more than one occasion asking

17 for Ferrovías to provide rail service? Are you aware

18 of that?

A. No.

O. Now, let's move on to the actual auction of

21 the rail scrap material, and I just want to understand

22 exactly the operation of it.

695 693 You bought--your company, Maya Quetzal, 09:37:45 1 09:40:12 1 against Mr. Campollo to buy the same equipment; is 2 that correct? 2 bought scrap metal directly from the Government of 3 Guatemala; is that correct? A. That is correct. A. Yeah, via an auction, that is correct. Q. And your testimony to this Tribunal today is Through a public bid. And the public bid was 5 that Aceros de Guatemala then later came to you to, as made by the Division of Public Goods of State? 6 you say, pressure you to give the equipment to Ramon A. That is correct. 7 Campollo? 0. That is correct? A. That is correct. 9 A. That is correct. Q. When you say "pressure," what do you mean? Q. Mr. Campollo did not buy, or Mr. Pinto didn't 10 What did they do? 10 11 participate in the bid to buy this equipment directly A. Aceros de Guatemala is a monopoly in 12 from the Government, did they? 12 Guatemala. It is the largest company for steel 13 A. That is correct. He did participate. 13 foundry in Guatemala, so it is one my company's number O. They participated in the bid? 14 one client. They cannot compete in price with me 14 15 because maybe I export all over the world, Asia, A. Yes, that is correct. 15 O. And they lost out to you? 16 Europe, the United States. However, but I have to A. That is correct. 17 have a good relationship with them because in the 17 "Ferrovías de Guatemala" also participated in 18 current administration, there was an Executive 18 19 the bid. 19 Resolution where they cancel people who export too Q. And after that Mr. Pinto came to you to buy 20 much. 21 that scrap metal from you; correct? 21 So, if I don't turn sell the goods to them or 22 if I don't do good business with them, giving them the A. Honestly, he did not come to me. "Ferrovías 694 696 09:39:08 1 de Guatemala" came to put pressure on me to sell the 09:41:22 1 most or the largest part and they close the export, 2 spare parts to Campollo, and they imposed Héctor as 2 Guatemala's a Third World country, and we have a 3 representative of Campollo, and I did not agree with 3 problems with monopolies, so I have to have a good 4 that. 4 relationship with them. That is what I was making MR. STERN: Could I just interject here. The 5 reference to. 6 record, at least in English, seems to indicate that Q. And again, your testimony just--I just want 7 Ferrovías de Guatemala came to put pressure on him, 7 to make sure I understand this--is that Aceros de 8 and I don't believe that's what his testimony was. 8 Guatemala, who had been competing to acquire the very MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: You're right, Kevin. I 9 same material that you had acquired and that 10 think the testimony was Aceros de Guatemala. 10 Mr. Campollo allegedly was trying to acquire, then THE WITNESS: That is correct. 11 came to you and pressured you to give it to 11 12 Mr. Campollo. That's your testimony? 12 BY MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: Q. Mr. Iten, you've said this several times; A. That is true.

14 Aceros de Guatemala came to pressure you. Again, I'm 15 just trying to understand here. You just said that 16 Aceros de Guatemala participated in the bid; correct? A. That is correct. 17 Q. And that Mr. Campollo allegedly also 19 participated in the bid? A. It was Héctor Pinto who represented Ramon 20

Q. And so, Aceros de Guatemala was competing

21 Campollo, that is correct.

14 Q. Now, let's go to your allegations as to how 15 this auction was conducted. You say in your Second 16 Statement, Paragraph 6, that, quote, you learned later 17 that a considerable part of the auction material 18 you're referring to here had been granted to Ferrovías 19 under Usufruct and had not been formally surrendered 20 by FEGUA; is that correct? A. That is correct. 21

Q. Who did you learn this from?

697 699 A. It was Jorge Senn. He was upset because some 09:45:29 1 09:42:42 1 Q. And the representative of FEGUA; is that 2 equipment had been taken that were under their 2 correct? 3 management, but the Government gave this to me, and A. That is correct. 4 the people who were there provided things to the Q. And a representative of Ferrovías; is that 5 Government, and I never found out whether the 5 correct? 6 equipment was from FEGUA or from Ferrovías. I simply A. Correct. 7 received the equipment from the Government. Q. Now, when you found out that the--from Senn Q. When did Mr. Senn tell you this? 8 that some of the equipment was allegedly part of FVG's 9 A. It was much after the materials had been 9 or Ferrovías's Usufruct, did you ever do anything to 10 confirm whether that was, in fact, true? 10 taken. Q. What do you mean by "much later"? Can you A. That is correct. 11 12 give us a sense of--was it a week later? O. What did you do? A. Honestly, I don't remember, but it was after A. I went and asked FEGUA--I wanted them to 14 we finished taking everything. He was upset, and we 14 provide them a list of equipment that had been given 15 discussed this, and I said, "I have no blame; I'm not 15 to me to verify whether a mistake had been made. 16 responsible. You have to go and place a claim against O. Now, sir, I'm going to direct your attention 17 the Government because the one that gave me the 17 to the document labeled R-340 in your binder. R-340. 18 equipment to me was the Government. You will see, sir, that starting at Page 2 of Q. One week? One month? Six months? Can you 19 that document there is an Administrative Act Number 20 give me an estimate of when it is that you found out 20 23-2006. 21 from Mr. Senn? 21 A. Yes. A. I don't remember. Q. And that Act is dated 21 November 2006, and 698 700 09:47:08 1 just to save everyone some time, I get the date from Q. Now, you say that the people who were there, 09:44:04 1 2 meaning at the meeting where the equipment was given 2 the cover letter to this document.

MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: And with the Tribunal's 4 indulgence, the document is in Spanish. This is the 5 document that the Tribunal admitted maybe a couple of 6 days before the hearing started. I will try my best 7 to do my rough interpretation of the document into the 8 record, and I'm sure the President will not let me 9 stray too far from the actual text. But the date can be appreciated in the second

11 line from the top down in the cover letter where it 12 references Administrative Act or Acta Administrativa 13 Number 23-2006 of 21 November 2006. 14

BY MR. SALINAS-SERRANO:

Q. Are you there with me, Mr. Iten?

17 Now, you see that in the actual acta, page 2 18 of the document, there is a paragraph with a heading

19 "Primero," or first.

A. Uh-huh.

Q. And there are about one, two, three, four,

22 five, six lines down, you will see that one of the

3 over to you, were people who were in charge of giving 4 equipment for the Government. Do you recall whether 5 you were there personally or whether you had sent a 6 representative of your company? A. I was there at the beginning, at the 8 beginning of the operation I was there, and then I 9 assigned this to different managers. Q. Does a man by the name of Gevenet Flavio 11 Robles López ring a bell? A. He is the General Manager of Maya Quetzal, my 13 company. 14 Q. Now, you gave Mr. Gevenet Flavio Robles López 15 an appointment to represent Maya Quetzal in that 16 session where the equipment was given over to Maya 17 Ouetzal; is that correct? A. That is correct. Q. And during that meeting or session where the 20 equipment was given over to Maya Quetzal, there was 21 also a representative of the Government; correct?

A. That is correct.

- 09:48:19 1 people who appear is Ingeniero Gevenet Flavio Robles
  - 2 López, who is identified as General Manager of Maya
  - 3 Quetzal; is that correct?
  - 4 A. That is correct.
  - 5 Q. Now, he is acting in this session on behalf
  - 6 of Maya Quetzal through an appointment throughout
  - 7 signed without a number from June 2, 2006, signed by
  - 8 you, Inngmar Iten, President of Maya Quetzal; is that
  - 9 correct?
  - 10 A. That is correct.
  - 11 O. There is also a Carlos Francisco Gueg (ph.)
  - 12 López, who was representing the Public Goods Division
  - 13 of the Ministry of Finance; is that correct?
  - 14 A. That is correct.
  - 15 Q. And a representative of FEGUA, Arnoldo
  - 16 Mendicao (ph.) Estrada; is that correct?
  - 17 A. That is correct.
  - 18 O. And finally, Mr. Aroldo Veliz Pasados, which
  - 19 is identified as the Chief of the Yard, I guess, if
  - 20 that's the best translation, for Ferrovías de
  - 21 Guatemala, and he was acting through an appointment
  - 22 without number, much like the one you gave Mr. Gevenet

- 09:51:18 1 seven, eight, nine, 10, 11, 12--14 and a quarter pages 2 contain a detailed inventory of the material that was 3 handed over to you; is that correct?
  - A. That is correct.
  - Q. Now, as you sit here today, do you have any

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- 6 evidence whatsoever that any of this material was
- 7 anything other than scrap or that it belonged to
- 8 Ferrovías? Any evidence whatsoever, a document, any
- 9 letter, anything, that could show that any of this
- 10 material actually belonged to Ferrovías or was
- 11 anything other than scrap?
  - A. Honestly, it was the same cars. I'm not an
- 13 expert, and this is what I think, not a railway
- 14 Expert, so we look at the scrap, and we destroy
- 15 everything, so we didn't realize this.
- 16 Q. This is what Jorge Senn told you; is that
- 17 correct?
- 8 A. That is correct, just that he gave me a list
- 19 of the equipment he had under the Usufruct, and I went
- 20 to FEGUA to verify this, and the people from FEGUA
- 21 were scared about--were scared of what they had done.
  - Q. Was there any equipment--do you have any

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- 09:49:49 1 Flavio Robles Lopez, of 22 November 2006, signed by
  - 2 Jan Malamud, who is identified as Operations Manager
  - 3 for Ferrovías de Guatemala.
  - 4 Is that correct?
  - 5 A. I don't know. I didn't see that appointment.
  - 6 What I can tell you is that Gevenet Flavio Robles
  - 7 Mobil is the General Manager of Maya Quetzal, that he
  - 8 needed no appointment by me. He is the one who
  - 9 manages the company. I'm only the President.
  - 10 Q. Are you saying you didn't sign the
  - 11 appointment for Mr. Gevenet Flavio?
  - 12 A. I don't remember if I signed it or not, but
  - 13 he had the powers to do this with no problem
  - 14 whatsoever.
  - 15 Q. Okay. Now, you will see in the paragraph
  - 16 labeled as Segundo, or second, that during this
  - 17 session there was a physical verification and
  - 18 reception of the rail equipment and material property
  - 19 of Ferrovías de Guatemala; is that correct?
  - 20 A. That is correct.
  - Q. And the next--starting at the bottom of that
  - 22 page and the next one, two, three, four, five, six,

09:52:47 1 evidence that any of the equipment was anything other

- 2 than scrap or that it belonged to Ferrovías, any
- 3 document, any listing, anything?
- 4 A. No.
- Q. You also say in your Declaration, Paragraph 7
- 6 of your second Declaration to be precise--
- 7 MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: And I direct the
- 8 Tribunal in the record. It's one, two, three, four,
- 9 five lines from the bottom, the sentence that starts,
- 10 "As a matter of fact."
- 11 BY MR. SALINAS-SERRANO:
- 12 Q. You say there that you were aware that Aroldo
- 13 Veliz, who was employed by Ferrovías, pretended to be
- 14 the legal representative of the company.
- 15 What evidence do you have, sir, that
- 16 Mr. Veliz pretended to be the legal representative?
  - A. I always thought that Aroldo Veliz was
- 18 working for FEGUA. I never thought that he worked for
- 19 Ferrovias. When Jorge Senn told me that equipment,
- 20 Usufruct of equipment had been handed to Ferrovías, I
- 21 found out that he was an employee of Ferrovias and
- 22 that he had signed without having the power to sign.

707 705 09:54:25 1 I understand that just Jorge Senn was the legal 09:57:06 1 Jorge was very upset, but I wasn't responsible. The 2 representative in Guatemala. 2 Government gave the units to me. I didn't verify Q. And I will ask it one more time. You say 3 whether the units came from Ferrovias or from FEGUA. 4 that Mr. Veliz--and this is your words, not 4 I just verified what the Government said. 5 mine--pretended to be the legal representative of the BY MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: 6 company. I have just shown you the Administrative Act Q. Do you remember the discussion with Mr. Senn 7 where your General Manager, a representative from 7 was in that very same year 2006. 8 FEGUA, a representative from the Government, and A. No, it was after. We spent about a year 9 Mr. Veliz in representation of Ferrovías, having an 9 taking the equipment. 10 appointment from the Operations Manager of Ferrovías Q. Now, when you found out this information from 11 acted on behalf of Ferrovías there. 11 Mr. Senn, did you also offer to return the equipment? Now, Mr. Aroldo Veliz, at that time, in fact, A. That was not possible. The equipment that 13 was employed by Ferrovías; isn't that correct? 13 was given to us, we cut it up and exported it, and it 14 was already in China. A. It seems so. 14 Q. And you have absolutely no evidence that the Q. Did you offer to give him part of the profits 16 appointment that Mr. Veliz received from Jan Malamud 16 you'd made from that equipment? 17 was illegal or falsified, do you? A. No, I wasn't responsible for the mistake. MR. STERN: I'd just like to object for the Q. Did Mr. Senn or Ferrovías sue Maya Quetzal 19 record. The document does not show the legal 19 over that equipment? 20 representation authorization of Mr. Veliz. All it A. No, and they wouldn't have been able to 21 does is it states something here, but we do not have 21 because the Government gave the equipment to me. 22 the actual document in front of the Tribunal, so I Q. To the best of your knowledge, did Ferrovías 706 708 09:55:43 1 think it assumes facts not in evidence, and it's 09:58:31 1 sue the Government in relation to those equipments? 2 essentially hearsay that he's relying upon to A. I don't know. 3 establish that fact. MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: Those are all my MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: Mr. President, just for 4 questions, Mr. President. Thank you. 5 the record, reliance on hearsay, if we were not PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you, Mr. Salinas. 6 allowed, we wouldn't be here today before this Mr. Stern. 7 Tribunal; but as to the document itself, I'm just MR. STERN: Yes, thank you. Just briefly. 8 asking the witness whether he--whose testimony it is REDIRECT EXAMINATION 9 that Mr. Veliz pretended to be a representative, 9 BY MR. STERN: 10 whether he has any evidence to the contrary. He did. Q. Mr. Iten, whether you liked or trust 11 I just to want make sure that the answer is on the 11 Mr. Pinto, was it always your understanding that he 12 was representing Mr. Campollo when he was dealing with 12 record. Now, you say that Mr. Senn told you that this 13 you? 14 equipment belonged to Ferrovías; correct? 14 A. That is correct. THE WITNESS: That is correct. 15 Q. Thank you. 15 16 MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: And I'm going to try to 16 MR. STERN: Nothing further. PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Eizenstat has some 17 press you a little bit on the timing because it's 17 18 important. 18 questions. 19 Do you have a sense of whether that happened 19 QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL 20 months after the actual auction or bid took place? 20 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Mr. Iten, you've THE WITNESS: I don't remember exactly, but 21 indicated on several occasions that you considered 22 Mr. Pinto not to be credible. I think that's the way 22 it was after we took all the scrap metal. I found

711 709 09:59:34 1 you put it. Is that an accurate summation? 10:02:42 1 addition to that, all the equipment that they took to THE WITNESS: The problem with Mr. Pinto is 2 cut the wheels and the axles was equipment from the 3 that he was not an honest person. He did not keep his 3 sugar mill. 4 word, and that is why I didn't feel that he was And in the midst of the operation I saw 5 somebody that I could trust in the business arena. 5 Mr. Ubico for the manager for Mr. Campollo, who was 6 That is what I was making reference to. 6 stealing material, so I expelled this person from my ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: So when he said to you 7 premises, and once again they pressured me to provide 8 that he was representing Mr. Campollo, did you verify 8 the spare parts that they needed, and the condition 9 that with someone that you considered more reliable 9 was that I was not going to allow for anyone from the 10 because you must not have taken that seriously if you 10 Madre Tierra sugar mill to come in because they were 11 thought he didn't have credibility? 11 not trustworthy, and I was going to provide them the THE WITNESS: That is correct. I talked to 12 equipment myself, and all the equipment with me own 12 13 the managers of Aceros de Guatemala. This is a formal 13 transportation, my own people, was taken to the sugar 14 mill, Madre Tierra. 14 company and highly respected company in Guatemala. 15 And they guaranteed the operation because I did not ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: So, the materials were 16 have the certainty that Mr. Pinto was going to pay for 16 sent to Santo Domingo? 17 the products that I was going to deliver him, and they THE WITNESS: That is correct. 17 18 told me that the products were for Mr. Campollo and ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Who paid for that? Do 19 that they were going to guarantee the transaction. 19 you have any kind of a receipt or recollection of who MR. STERN: And with whom in that company you 20 actually paid for that material? 21 talk to try to verify what Mr. Pinto said? THE WITNESS: The person in charge of the THE WITNESS: The manager for purchasing, 22 operation was Eduardo Ubico. 712 710 10:01:06 1 that is the one that I usually contact is Rolando 10:03:59 1 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And you received a 2 Ruiz, and he received the order from Luis Gabriel, a 2 check from his company? 3 90-year-old gentleman, who is the main owner of the THE WITNESS: I received the check from 4 Maprisol that belonged to Mr. Pinto. 4 company. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Would you spell his ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Would you say that 6 name for us. I'm not familiar with the person that 6 again. 7 you are referring to. THE WITNESS: I received a check from THE WITNESS: Rolando Ruiz? R-O-L-A-N-D-O, 8 Maprisol. That is a company that belongs to Héctor 9 Ruiz, the last name, R-U-I-Z. He's the Manager for 9 Pinto. 10 purchases with Aceros de Guatemala. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: What's the 11 relationship between that company and the Campollo ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And that's a Campollo 11 12 enterprises in Santo Domingo? 12 company, you're saying? THE WITNESS: No, it's not. This is the THE WITNESS: I don't know. 14 largest metal melting company in Central America, and 14 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: When you sent the 15 this is the one that receives most of my products. 15 material to Santo Domingo, was it your understanding 16 They're friends with Mr. Campollo. 16 you were sending it to an enterprise owned or MR. STERN: Was there anyone directly 17 controlled by Mr. Campollo? 17 18 employed by Mr. Campollo that verified for you that THE WITNESS: I did not send the material to 19 Mr. Pinto was representing Mr. Campollo? 19 Santo Domingo. I gave it to Eduardo Ubico at the THE WITNESS: That's correct. Eduardo Ubico, 20 central FEGUA station, and then I gave it to the 20 21 he is the manager for purchases within the sugar mill 21 engineer from Madre Tierra, and it was--the material 22 Madre Tierra that belongs to Mr. Campollo, and in 22 was exported from there.

713 715 10:05:10 1 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And again, the actual 10:08:12 1 concessions. 2 payment was received from the company you just ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: I'm just trying to 3 referred to, from Mr. Pinto--was a company that you 3 understand why from your standpoint they would have 4 say Mr. Pinto controlled? 4 wanted it to go to Campollo rather than stay with 5 yourself. What advantage would there be to having it THE WITNESS: That is correct. 6 go to Mr. Campollo, from their standpoint, as far as ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Now, the pressure from 7 this Aceros de Guatemala, were there three companies 7 vou know? 8 competing for this auction, yours, this is Aceros THE WITNESS: They're friends, they're close 9 company, and another company controlled by Campollo? 9 friends. I don't know if they had some sort of 10 Were there three bidders in this process? 10 business or some sort of business relationship. Just THE WITNESS: That is correct. There were 11 out of friendship. That's what they told me. 11 12 several options, and several offers, but in this case ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And then you mentioned 13 15 percent had to be deposited at the beginning, and 13 that some of the FEGUA people, I think you used the 14 it was a lot of money for small bidders; therefore, 14 term, were "scared." Of what were they scared, and at 15 the largest three bidders in Guatemala were the only 15 what point in time, and how did that manifest to you? 16 ones to participate. THE WITNESS: When Jorge Senn showed me the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: I'm trying to 17 mistake that they had given me equipment that were 17 18 appreciate and understand your statement that this 18 part of the Usufruct of Ferrovías, I took the list 19 Aceros de Guatemala pressured you to give materials to 19 then and I went to FEGUA, and I told them that as part 20 Campollo. Were they not competitors? They were all 20 of the list, was this included? And they realized 21 bidding, so why would they want--why would they 21 that they had made a mistake, and that's when they 22 were really scared because they had made a mistake. 22 pressure you to give this to Campollo when you had 714 716 10:06:41 1 three competing bids? 10:09:34 1 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Document who at FEGUA THE WITNESS: That is correct. My company in 2 indicated that they had made a mistake and that they 3 Central America and Guatemala is the largest company 3 were scared about having given the wrong equipment, 4 that recycles metal, but I do not compete with Aceros 4 any names of people at FEGUA? 5 de Guatemala because Aceros de Guatemala is the THE WITNESS: I don't remember it now. 6 largest foundry. They sell 10 times more than what I ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: But you do have a 7 sell, and the Government of Guatemala is a Third World 7 clear recollection of this incident, even though you 8 country that is manipulated with high powers, and I 8 can't remember the names of the people? 9 cannot fight with them. I cannot compete openly or THE WITNESS: Initially, I was also scared 10 legally with that company. I have to offer some 10 because I have been in the midst of a legal problem, 11 concessions from the business point of view, and once 11 and that's when I went to clarify this with FEGUA, and 12 I realized that I had no responsibility. I was not 12 I received the bid, they were not aware of the 13 international price of scrap metal. They did not 13 liable because it was the Government, the one that 14 think I was going to win the bid, and I received a lot 14 gave me the material, and I had no longer a problem. 15 of pressure because Mr. Campollo was interested in the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Yes, but I'm saying 16 material, and Aceros de Guatemala was interested in 16 even though you can't remember the names, you're 17 the scrap metal because it is the best one. 17 certain that the FEGUA people felt they had made a The composition of the--of that metal is the 18 mistake? 19 best to go through the foundry process and to melt it, 19 THE WITNESS: That is correct. 20 and I received pressure that if I was not going to 20 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Thank you. 21 provide this to Mr. Campollo and Aceros de Guatemala 21 PRESIDENT RIGO: Professor Crawford. 22 was going to have an issue. I had to give some ARBITRATOR CRAWFORD: Can I take you to the

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| 10:10:51 1   | list which is R-340. It's a very long list, 701  | 10:14:36 1   | And I think it was after that that we started   |
| 2  | items.   | 2  | to lease the property, but I don't have any other   |
| 3  | What proportion of the total equipment in the  | 3  | relationship. I just know Mr. Senn as a friend.   |
| 4  | hands ofI suppose it was in the hands of   | 4  | Q. Thank you.   |
| 5  |  | 5  | MR. STERN: I have nothing further.  |
| 6  | know that?   | 6  | PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Salinas?  |
| 7  | THE WITNESS: I only remember that it was   | 7  | MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: Thank you,   |
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|  | remember precisely, but it was a really big mistake.   | 9  | RECROSS-EXAMINATION   |
| 10   | ARBITRATOR CRAWFORD: And you basically cut   | 10   |   |
| 1  | all this material up for scrap.  |  | Q. Mr. Iten, to the questions from Professor  |
| 12   | THE WITNESS: That is correct. As well as   | 12   |   |
| 13   | the spare parts, and the spare parts for Mr. Campollo.   |  | happened after you started renting from Ferrovias; is   |
| 14   | ARBITRATOR CRAWFORD: So, anyone who wanted   | 14   |   |
| 1  | to run a railway using this equipment could forget it?   |  | A. To be honest, I'm not sure. I don't remember   |
| 16   | THE WITNESS: The equipment was quite old,  | 16   |   |
| 17   | • • •  | 17   | Q. Now, you remember questions you got from   |
| 18   | ARBITRATOR CRAWFORD: As scrap.   | 18   | Secretary Eizenstat about the relationship between  |
| 19   | •  | 19   | your company and Aceros de Guatemala, and just for the  |
|  | what I do.   | 20   |   |
| 20 21  | ARBITRATOR CRAWFORD: You shared the same   |  | Guatemala.  |
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| 22   | address at the Claimant was, the local company. Did  | 22   | Do you remember those questions?  |
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- 2 forced to give it to them earlier, and the price was
- 3 the same. I did not receive any benefits until I find
- 4 them stealing my equipment, FEGUA's equipment, and
- 5 this could lead to a problem. I expelled them from
- 6 the premises because I was responsible for whatever
- 7 happened there. And then I was pressured again, and
- 8 the only agreement we reached is that I was going to
- 9 give them the units, but at the sugar mill.
- Therefore, I had one of their supervisors,
- 11 and with my own equipment I delivered that to Madre
- 12 Tierra.
- 13 Q. I just want to make sure I understand. You
- 14 spoke of a price initially. Did that price change at
- 15 some point where you paid two different prices?
- A. When I gave them the product at the sugar
- 17 mill, the price was much higher.
- Q. So, you were paid more money when you took
- 19 the equipment to the Ingeniero Madre Tierra; am I
- 20 understanding you correctly?
- A. That is correct because I had to cut and do
- 22 all the work that they were doing before, and in

- 10:19:36 1 Usufruct. Do you remember those questions?
  - A. Yes, I do remember it.
  - Q. Now, in your statement, Paragraph 6 of your

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- 4 Second Statement, you say that about 85 percent of the
- 5 equipment was considered scrap metal. Do you know
- 6 what the other 15 percent was?
- A. In my opinion, that was my opinion--some
- 8 opinion could be reused, but I'm not an expert on
- 9 railway, so I don't know. I just saw that 85 percent
- 10 of the equipment was really old.
- Q. So, 85 percent of the 701 items you received,
- 12 you, as a person in the business of scrap metal, would
- 13 characterize it as scrap; correct?
  - A. That is correct.
- MR. SALINAS-SERRANO: I have no further
- 16 questions, Mr. President.

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- 17 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Iten, thank you very
- 18 much for your statement. Thank you for coming here
- 19 this morning, and you're now excused.
- 20 (Witness steps down.)
- 21 PRESIDENT RIGO: I have one question that I
- 22 would like to ask to the Parties but not to the

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- 10:18:15 1 addition to that transfer the material to the sugar
  - Q. Now, you said you had to cut. What were you
  - 4 cutting, sir?
  - A. They were interested in the wheels and in
  - 6 some axles.
  - Q. So, they asked to you cut the axles?
    - A. They specified certain measurements, and
  - 9 that's what we did.
  - 0. Let's make sure I understand. 10
  - You had axles from FEGUA which FEGUA and 11
  - 12 Ferrovias allegedly would have used to operate the
  - 13 narrow gauge trains; is that correct?
  - 14 A. I don't know. I just received from the
  - 15 Government the equipment, and I was asked to take the
  - 16 wheels from the equipment, so we cut them and sent
  - 17 them.
  - 18 Q. But you cut the axles; correct?
  - 19 A. Yes, that is correct.
  - Q. Now, in questions from Professor Crawford,
  - 21 you were asked what proportion of the 701 items in
  - 22 this inventory were supposedly part of Ferrovías's

- 10:21:20 1 witness as a result of the exchanges. I was looking
  - 2 at the list also, which was very long, as has been
  - 3 noted, and I see that there are 279 furgones, which I
  - 4 suppose those are types of wagon, and 150 plataformas,
  - 5 et cetera, and I wondered at one point if you could
  - 6 tell us--I don't recall it, we may have the
  - 7 information already on file in terms of the Usufruct,
  - 8 how much was given in Usufruct, how many of these
  - 9 boxcars, furgones, FEGUA had. I mean, when you have
  - 10 the Usufruct, because this is a lot of equipment.
  - MR. FOSTER: We will try to get that answer, 11
  - 12 but I would note that the inventory is in the
  - 13 Equipment Contract.
  - 14 But maybe we can short-circuit your sitting
  - 15 down and comparing the two piece by piece.
  - ARBITRATOR CRAWFORD: We were rather hopeful
  - 17 that you might.
  - MR. FOSTER: But I presume that Mr. Senn
  - 19 would probably be the best person to answer that, but
  - 20 in any event with your permission, we will prepare him
  - 21 or whoever is the one to do it, to answer that
  - 22 guestion.

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| 10:22:55 1   | 725<br>PRESIDENT RIGO: We can just look at it in   | 10,41,10 1   | 727 transportation business?  |
| 1  | the Contract. Of course, if you help us to go through  |  | A. No, it is not.   |
| 1  | it, it would be nice.  | 3  | Q. How do you know?   |
| 4  | MR. FOSTER: Okay, we will do that. Thank   | 1  | A. I was contracted through Ferrovias de  |
| 1  | you, sir.  | 5  | Guatemala to go to the Dominican Republic personally  |
| 6  | PRESIDENT RIGO: We will have a 15-minute   | 6  |   |
| 1  | break for the sake of keeping good time, and then we   | 7  | ways that Mr. Campollo could better operate his   |
| 1  | will see the next witness. Thank you.  | ,  | railroad, better maintain his railroad, and have  |
| 9  | (Brief recess.)  |  | evenso much as to give him the idea of who he might   |
| 10   | · ·  |  | be able to hire to assist him.  |
| 11   |  | 11   | Q. Okay. Let's take a look at Exhibit C-77, a   |
|  | session.   |  | July 14th, 2004, e-mail from a Steffan Lehnhoff to  |
| 13   | Would you mind to read the statement you have  |  | Ferrovias's General Manager Jorge Senn, inquiring   |
| 14   |  |  | about consultancy work on a rail line.  |
| 15   | THE WITNESS: I solemnly declare upon my  | 15   | Do you have that in front of you, Exhibit   |
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| 1  | whole truth, and nothing but the truth.  |  | PRESIDENT RIGO: It's in the Bundle?   |
| 18   | PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you.   |  | MS. MURCHISON: Yes, and it should be coming   |
| 19   | · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·  |  | up on the screen right now.   |
| 20   | MR. FOSTER: Ms. Murchison will examine.  | 20   | -   |
| 1  | Thank you.   |  | MS. MURCHISON: It's Tab 7seven, I believe.  |
| 22   | PRESIDENT RIGO: Ms. Murchison, go ahead.   |  | THE WITNESS: Yes, I do have that in front of  |
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10:43:51 1 A. 400,000 metric tons, and the proof that I

- 2 have is through conversations on site with
- 3 Mr. Campollo's nephew who is the General Manager of
- 4 the sugar mill, while I was on site doing my due
- 5 diligence of the property.
- 6 Q. Did Ferrovías ever move as much as 400,000
- 7 metric tons in one year?
- 8 A. No, we did not. We had not yet at the time
- 9 that we shut it down.
- 10 Q. You mentioned that at some point you went
- 11 down and you did some consulting on behalf of
- 12 Ferrovías for Mr. Campollo's railroad; is that right?
  - 3 A. Yes, that is correct. At the request of
- 14 Mr. Lehnhoff who is the representative of
- 15 Mr. Campollo, and during that--I told the General
- 16 Manager, Jorge Senn that I would do it personally
- 17 under Ferrovías de Guatemala, that I would take care
- 18 of doing the consulting work that they requested.
- 19 I did go ahead and go down and do that after
- 20 a meeting with Mr. Lehnhoff personally in Guatemala to
- 21 find out the scope of the request. And while I was in
- 22 the Dominican, I met and had dinner with Mr. Campollo

- 10:46:36 1 did you indicate how long Mr. Campollo's rail line was 2 in 2004?
  - A. I do. It's 44 kilometers total length.

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- 4 Q. What gauge is Mr. Campollo's railroad?
  - A. It's also a narrow gauge railroad.
- 6 Q. When you visited Mr. Campollo's railroad in
- 7 2004, how many locomotives and wagons were there on
- 8 that 44 kilometers of track?
- 9 A. Eight.
  - Q. In comparison, how many locomotives and
- 11 wagons did Ferrovías operate on the right of way?
- 12 A. We had 15 locomotives and approximately 122
- 13 to 150 wagons of different styles and designs.
- 14 Mr. Campollo had eight locomotives and 400 wagons in
- 15 his fleet.

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- 16 Q. Mr. Duggan, I want to ask you some questions
- 17 about a study that Mr. Roberto Morales said he
- 18 completed for Ferrovias in 2003.
- 19 Now, do you know who I'm talking about when I
- 20 say Roberto Morales?
- 21 A. I do know who he is, yes.
- O. Mr. Roberto Morales claims that in 2003

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- 10:45:22 1  $\,$  at Mr. Campollo's house on the plantation in the
  - 2 Dominican.
    - 3 Q. When did you go to the Dominican Republic to
  - 4 do the consulting work related to Mr. Campollo's rail
  - 5 line?
  - 6 A. I can't remember the exact date without
  - 7 finding it, but it was late August of 2004.
    - Q. Okay. Let's take a look at Exhibit C-78,
  - 9 which is going to be in the binder under Tab 8.
  - 10 That's a entitle documented "consultancy on possible
  - 11 methods of upgrading the railroad operations within
  - 12 the sugar mill to increase efficiency and sugarcane
  - 13 traffic performance."
  - 14 Is Exhibit C-78 the Consulting Report that
  - 15 you prepared and that Ferrovias provided to
  - 16 Mr. Campollo?
  - 17 A. Yes, it is.
  - 18 Q. Now, looking at Exhibit C-78, let's go to the
  - 19 page--and there are page numbers at the bottom, it's
  - 20 marked RDC004556.
  - 21 A. Yes, ma'am.
  - 22 Q. In the Consultancy Report that you prepared,

10:47:54 1 Ferrovías hired him to conduct a Feasibility Study to

- 2 determine the viability of operating the railroad
- 3 services for the sugar industry along the South Coast
- 4 in particular.
- 5 Is that true? Did Ferrovías hire Mr. Morales
- 6 to complete a Feasibility Study?
- A. No, it is not true.
- 8 Q. What did Ferrovías actually hire Mr. Morales
- 9 to do back in 2003?
- 10 A. Ferrovías talked to Mr. Morales about doing a 11 study that would locate for us the best locations on
- ii bead chae would looke for ab the best lookelons of
- 12 the railroad to be able to put in loading points for
- 13 the sugar plantations. There's absolutely no way that
- 14 you can justify a railroad running into each and every
- 15  $\,$  farm and each and every situation. The concept was to
- 16 find locations that were best suited for all the mills
- $17\,$  to be able to bring their product to the main line,
- 18 and it would be loaded at that point, not unlike you
- 19 see with the grain and the way that the farmers in the
- 20 U.S. and the midwest, bring the grains to the
- 21 elevators for loading.
- 22 What you have to know is the quantities of

733 735 10:49:26 1 sugar that is made, that is manufactured at each 10:52:05 1 topic actually that you were asked about in direct 2 location, something that we understood Mr. Morales 2 examination, and that is the railroad that you 3 knew of, and he had also been involved in 3 mentioned that Mr. Campollo operates or that is 4 transportation for trucking the sugar, but that's all 4 operated in his sugar plantation in the Dominican 5 we asked for, was some assistance in doing that. 5 Republic. Q. Let's go to Exhibit C-84. That's going to be First of all, to your knowledge, does 7 under Tab 11 in your book. That's a copy of an Excel 7 Mr. Campollo operate any railway, any railroad in 8 spreadsheet file entitled "Sugar Transport Project: 8 Guatemala? 9 Ferrovías Transfer System." A. Not to my knowledge. Is this the study that Roberto Morales Q. Now, in relation to the consultancy that you 10 11 provided to Ferrovías in 2003 in response to its 11 were asked to do, you were, as I understand it from 12 requests for a study of ideal loading points? 12 your testimony and your Declaration, you were asked to A. It is the study. I have never seen it on 13 come to the Dominican Republic to help Mr. Campollo 14 paper, you can't read it for all practical purposes on 14 and his business there in the Dominican Republic, 15 paper, it was given to our company, Ferrovías de 15 figure out how to better operate the railroad there; 16 Guatemala, on a disk. 16 is that correct? A. That is correct. Q. And have you now had an opportunity to review 17 18 a copy of this Excel spreadsheet? Correct one thing. Ferrovías Guatemala was A. Yes, I have. 19 requested to do some consulting. I did the consulting 20 for Ferrovias Guatemala. As the President of O. Now, Roberto Morales claims that he concluded 20 21 that the sugar mills most likely would not be 21 Ferrovías Guatemala. 22 interested in investing in the South Coast Railway. I Q. Fair point. You weren't asked personally. 736 734 10:51:00 1 want you to turn to the information index--a copy of 10:53:23 1 You were doing it on behalf of Ferrovías de Guatemala? 2 that is up on the screen--and do you see--it would be A. Correct. 3 at Tab 14, the part that mentions "Conclusions and Q. So, Mr. Campollo you say asked Ferrovías de 4 Recommendations." 4 Guatemala to come to--to send a representative to the Do you see that and the index? 5 Dominican Republic; correct? A. I do. A. They were--they were requested could they do Q. Let's pull up that page, "conclusions and 7 such a consulting project, and was contacted. We 8 recommendations." 8 didn't have the people available on the property. I Mr. Duggan, were there any conclusions or 9 said I will talk to them, find out the scope of the 10 recommendations in this Excel spreadsheet that 10 consultancy request when I get to Guatemala--because I 11 Mr. Morales provided to Ferrovías in 2003? 11 never lived in Guatemala--and, as such, I will take 12 care of it as something that we can and desire to do, 13 MS. MURCHISON: No further questions at this 13 so yes.

14 time. 15 PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you, Ms. Murchison. 16 Mr. Orta. MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. 17 CROSS-EXAMINATION 19 BY MR. ORTA: Q. Good morning, Mr. Duggan. How are you? 20 A. Well, thank you.

Q. I would like to start with the very first

14 Q. Okay. And what Mr. Campollo, per your 15 testimony, asked Ferrovías to do was to send someone 16 who could help them to--was it to restore the railway, 17 was it to help make the railway run more efficient? 18 Which was it? A. For more efficiency. They were already 20 operating. Q. To your knowledge, did Mr. Campollo have 22 anybody working for him at his sugar plantation in the

10:54:48 1 Dominican Republic that could do this consultancy that 10:57:19 1

- 2 Ferrovías was being asked to do?
- 3 A. He had several employees down there, and I
- 4 remember a fellow from France, how he got there or
- 5 what he was doing I really don't know, but he was the
- 6 one that was trying to manage--to work with the sugar
- 7 mill, and it wasn't working out for them.
- 8 And I did meet this gentleman. His English
- 9 was as limited as my French, and we were able to
- 10 communicate somewhat, but he did have an employee on
- 11 site, yes.
- 12 Q. Okay. But to your knowledge, did that
- 13 employee have the level of expertise, for example,
- 14 that you have in terms of running railways?
- 15 A. Not as far as I'm concerned, no.
- 16 Q. Okay. And obviously Mr. Campollo felt he
- 17 needed assistance from the outside, which is why we he
- 18 reached out to Ferrovías, I would assume, to your
- 19 knowledge?
- 20 A. To my knowledge.
- Q. Okay. Now, you would agree with me, wouldn't
- 22 you, that the railroad that operates within the sugar

- :57:19 1 Q. The railroad operated in the Dominican
  - 2 Republic, per your Report, is 44 kilometers; correct?
  - A. Correct.
  - Q. The railroad that RDC agreed to rehabilitate
  - 5 in the Dominican Republic is more like 500 kilometers;
  - 6 isn't that right?
  - 7 A. We didn't agree to do anything in the
  - 8 Dominican Republic.
    - Q. Perhaps my question was incorrect.
  - 10 The railroad that RDC agreed to rehabilitate
  - 11 in Guatemala was not 44 kilometers but more like 500
  - 12 kilometers; correct?
    - A. Or more, yes.
  - 14 O. Actually, I think I have it wrong. It's more
  - 15 like 800 kilometers?
  - 16 A. The total property in the country is around
  - 17 800, yes.
  - 18 Q. Okay. In other words, when you say "the
  - 19 total property in the country," the total property
  - 20 that was given in Usufruct to RDC to rehabilitate the
  - 21 railway was approximately 798 kilometers; correct?
  - 22 A. Correct.

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10:56:05 1 plantation that Mr. Campollo has in Guatemala is

- 2 materially different than the railroad that RDC agreed
- 3 to restore in Guatemala: correct?
- 4 A. Not materially different, no. The difference
- 5 only being that he didn't--he was his own customer, to
- 6 run, to build railroad, to operate trains on it, to
- 7 maintain it, to the costs associated with it are all
- 8 the same. The difference is he is his own customer.
- 9 Q. Okay. Let's talk about some of the
- 10 differences, I believe are there, and you can agree
- 11 whether or not whether they are differences.
- 12 First of all, as I think as you just said,
- 13 the railroad in the Dominican Republic is for internal
- 14 use only; in other words, for use by Mr. Campollo's
- 15 sugar plantation and no one else; is that correct?
- 16 A. That's my--to my understanding, that's right.
- 17 Q. The railroad operated in Guatemala, on the
- 18 other hand, is for use by third-party customers;
- 19 correct? It's not for internal use of any particular
- 20 business. It's for third parties to utilize; correct?
- 21 A. Yes, that's what I explained just a little
- 22 bit ago.

740 Q. Now, Mr. Campollo uses his railway or the

- 2 railway in the Dominican Republic to transport sugar;
- 3 correct?

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- A. Correct.
- Q. RDC, on the other hand, in Guatemala
- 6 transports a number of other products that are not
- 7 sugar; correct?
- 8 A. Ferrovías Guatemala does this. RDC is the
- 9 Majority Shareholder.
- 10 Q. So, Ferrovías Guatemala transports a number
- 11 of other products that are not sugar in its rail
- 12 operations in Guatemala; correct?
  - A. Correct.
- 14 Q. In fact, it doesn't transport sugar in
- 15 Guatemala?
- 16 A. We have transported sugar, yes.
- 17 O. You have?
- 18 A. Oh, yes, sir.
- 19 O. Okay. To the Atlantic coast?
- 20 A. Yes, sir. And from the Atlantic coast into
- 21 Guatemala.
- Q. Okay. In terms of the tonnage, you said

- 10:59:21 1 that, I think in response to questions by Counsel for
  - 2 Claimant, that Ferrovías Guatemala has never
  - 3 transported the equivalent of 400 metric tons of
  - 4 cargo?
  - 5 A. 400,000 metric tons. No, we have not.
  - 6 0. You have not?
  - 7 A No.
  - 8 Q. In your eight years of operation, you've
  - 9 never reached that level of tonnage?
  - 10 A. Not annually. Our annual gross tons was
  - 11 approximately 125,000, give or take a little bit.
  - 12 Q. So, in your estimation, the railroad that
  - 13 Mr. Campollo--that Mr. Campollo's sugar mill operates
  - 14 is able to haul more tonnage in that 44-kilometer
  - 15 stretch than Ferrovias is able to haul in Guatemala?
  - 16 A. Not correct. We had the ability to haul
  - 17 more, but we were waiting on our--we had to wait and
  - 18 acquire the customers to haul it.
  - 19 Q. I see. You didn't have enough customers to
  - 20 justify that level of tonnage?
  - 21 A. Not at that time, no.
  - Q. And when you say "at that time," that's the

- 11:02:02 1 worked for me personally and for our company--our 2 companies who was also a Spanish speaking person, and 3 would be able to assist him.
  - They passed--I know that they passed back CDs between one another, but I don't--but he never did hire him.

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- 7 Q. Okay. Did Mr. Campollo accept any of the 8 services that you offered other than the initial 9 consultancy?
- 10 A. I don't know. I did my job. He paid us, and 11 I didn't follow up. There was no reason to.
- 12 Q. I mean, other than that initial consultancy 13 that you were paid for by Mr. Campollo, did you or, to 14 your recollection, Ferrovías offer any other services 15 in relation to his--in relation to the railroad in the 16 Dominican Republic?
- 17 A. We never offered any other services. I think 18 he even went as far, if I'm not mistaken, it seems
- 19 like I remember that he requested maybe we could
- 20 operate it for him, and we had all we needed on our
- 21 plate in Guatemala. We didn't need a 44-kilometer
- 22 sugar railroad that only operated during the harvest

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- 11:00:34 1 entire time that RDC--I'm sorry, that Ferrovías
  - 2 Guatemala was operating in the country?
  - 3 A. Yes, sir.
  - 4 Remember, I would also like to state that
  - 5 Ferrovías Guatemala started with the first train in
  - 6 December of 1999, with one wagon loaded traffic in
  - 7 December. Between the 1st of January of Year 2000 and
  - 8 the 15th of March the Year 2000, we hauled 17 wagons.
  - 9 So, yes, we did dramatically increase it, and
  - 10 so that's--when we got to 125,000 tons, we thought we
  - 11 were doing pretty good, and we were continuing to grow
  - 12 the business.
  - Q. Okay. In terms of the consultancy that you offered to Mr. Campollo in the Dominican Republic,
  - 15 what was the service ultimately that you offered to
  - ac 11 a
  - 16 him?
  - 17 A. Strictly consultant, to give him ideas, and
  - 18 it's all in the written Report that was mentioned
  - 19 here, of--from maintenance of the wagons to locations
  - 20 to purchase materials at the best price that I had
  - 21 found in my work in Central America, to also giving
  - 22 him the name of an individual who had previously

- 11:03:24 1 season. We didn't need that in our business.
  - Q. So, you declined that request?
  - A. Yes, I did.
  - Q. Okay. Now, I would like to now change topic and go to a different point.
  - 6 In addition to the allegations that have been
  - 7 made in this case by RDC regarding Mr. Campollo, you 8 claim in your Declaration in a number of different
  - 9 places that it was your understanding that
  - 10 Mr. Campollo had made some kind of threat to take away
  - 11 the FVG Guatemala's Usufruct rights; correct?
  - A. He stated such in my person, so yes, call it
  - 13 a threat. If "threat" is the word that I used, then I 14 would have to re-read it right now, that's what I felt
  - 15 it to be.

- 16 Q. Let's go through that point by point.
  - So, when is the first time that you met with
- 18 Mr. Campollo where he said this to you?
- 19 A. It was in the Spring of 2001 at a meeting
- 20 called by Mr. Campollo for the opportunity to meet
- 21 Mr. Posner.
- Q. And you referred to this in your first

747 745 11:04:58 1 Declaration, Paragraph 4--we could put that up, 11:07:38 1 Q. You sure did. You say that he bluntly stated 2 please--you should have it in front of you, sir. 2 that he intended to obtain a controlling interest, and 3 he asked you to make him an offer. That's what you A. I do. Q. Okay. First Declaration, Paragraph 4. 4 say. You don't say, "he intended to take it away for Now, in terms of what you say in your 5 nothing." 6 Declaration, you say that at the meeting, Mr. Campollo So, I'm asking you, is that what he said or 7 said that he was interested in the railway and its 7 is that not what he said during that meeting? 8 right of way for a variety of reasons. A. He didn't tell--he did not say in the meeting And then you say: "He bluntly stated that he 9 that he intended to take it away for nothing at that 10 intended to obtain a controlling interest in the FVG 10 time. 11 Usufruct and its asset, including the real estate." 11 Q. Okay? Correct? A. He bluntly said that he intended to get 12 13 A. Correct. 13 control of the railroad. Q. Do you remember him saying that at the Q. All right. Now, did he tell you during that 14 15 meeting of how he intended to get control of the 15 meeting? 16 A. I do. 16 railway, other than by asking you to make him an Q. How did you respond to that? 17 offer? 17 A. I didn't make the response. It was A. No, he did not. 19 Mr. Posner's place to make that response, and he did, Q. The next time--and I believe--and you can 20 and his offer at that point was that that wasn't--we 20 correct me if I'm wrong, the only other time that you 21 had no intentions of selling or giving the whole thing 21 met with Mr. Campollo was in December--I take that 22 to him, but that we were more than open to taking on 22 back. 746 748 11:08:33 1 You've testified you met with him in relation 11:06:27 1 equity partners. Q. Okay. Now, in the context of the statement 2 to the Dominican Republic, but in relation to the 3 you claimed that Mr. Campollo made at that meeting, he 3 issues about the FVG Usufruct rights, the only other 4 did say that he wanted you to make him an offer, 4 time you met with him was in December of 2004; 5 according to what you say; correct? 5 correct? A. He did, if that's what I said, then yes, A. No. 7 that's what I said. Q. You met with Mr. Campollo another time Q. Well, I mean, is that what you remember? 8 besides December 2004? A. Yes, that's what I remember. A. Yes, in my statement, I think I also stated Q. Okay. So at least at that point he wasn't 10 that I met with him in the early Winter of 2005. 11 saying he wanted to take away your Usufruct rights for Q. All right. We will get to that in a second. 12 nothing? 12 Let's go to the meeting of December 3, 2004. A. He didn't say it possibly in so many words as Now, you attended a meeting with Mr. Campollo 14 I don't believe I said that he said it. It was very 14 and Mr. Senn and Mr. Juan Esteban Berger in Miami; 15 blunt and very understanding to myself and to 15 correct? 16 Mr. Posner that the intent of his comment was that he A. And there were two another gentlemen there 17 was planning to take it away, if we didn't come to an 17 also, one was a contractor that rehabilitated railway 18 agreement that pretty much satisfied him. 18 track equipment, and another fellow who worked for Q. Well, did he say that? Because you don't say 19 Mr. Campollo, and if I'm not mistaken, I think he 20 that in Paragraph 4 of your Declaration, sir. 20 worked for Mercury Finance or something, so they were

21 all there.

Q. Now, in Paragraph 5 of your Declaration you

A. I said "that he bluntly". Did I not say

22 "that he bluntly"?

11:09:40 1 described this meeting; correct? Paragraph 5 of your | 11:11:41 1 him. That's what I said in this paragraph.

- 2 first Declaration.
- A. Yes.
- Q. You didn't mention these other two gentlemen
- 5 that you just told us were there, did you?
- A. No, I did not.
- Q. And at that meeting, You describe it, I
- 8 believe in Paragraph 6 of your first Declaration, you
- 9 say that Mr. Campollo turned the tables on you; right?
- A. That's not what I said, is it? But that's
- 11 what I meant.
- Q. Well, it's what you said. I'm looking at
- 13 Paragraph 6, second sentence, "however, upon arrival
- 14 Mr. Campollo immediately turned the tables and said
- 15 that he was at the meeting to listen to what FVG had
- 16 to offer to him."
- A. That's exactly what happened. 17
- Q. So, you went there with an expectation he was
- 19 going to be making some kind of proposal to you; is
- 20 that correct?
- A. That is correct. 21
- Q. But, instead, he asked you what proposal you

- - Q. In relation to his obtaining control over the 3 railroad and its assets; right, that's what the offer

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- A. He wanted to know what we had to offer him.
- Q. Bear with me because I have to get the
- question out so it's a clear record?
- A. You're trying to put words in my mouth and
- 9 make me say something that I didn't mean.
- Q. No, I'm not trying to do that.
  - A. Yes, you are. Go ahead.
- Q. No, I'm not, sir. I'm asking you questions
- 13 based on what you wrote. This is your sworn statement
- 14 to the Tribunal, and I'm asking you questions based on
- 15 what you wrote to the Tribunal. I'm not putting words
- 16 in your mouth.
- A. Go ahead. 17
- Q. In your statement, Paragraph 6, you say that
- 19 during that meeting he reiterated his intention of
- 20 obtaining control of the railroad and its assets;
- 21 correct?
- 22 A. Yes.

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## 11:10:40 1 had for him?

- A. That's correct.
- Q. And you say that in the context of that he
- 4 reiterated has intention of obtaining control of the
- 5 railroad and its assets and discussed in particular
- 6 his interest in the South Coast route, and you go on
- 7 to describe it a little bit more.
- What exactly did he say? I mean, this is a
- 9 paraphrase. To your recollection, what exactly did he
- 10 say to you in terms of his intentions of obtaining
- 11 control of the railroad and its assets?
- A. He said he wanted control of that railroad
- 13 and the assets. That's what he said.
- 14 O. Just like that?
- A. It's been--what's it been? Nine years. I
- 16 can't exactly tell you that that was verbatim. I
- 17 won't say that that was verbatim. But that's what he
- 18 said.
- Q. Now assuming as you say, that that's what he
- 20 said, he said it in the context of a statement where
- 21 he asked you to make an offer to him; right?
  - A. No, he wanted to know what our offer was to

Q. And asked FVG what offer they would make to 11:12:29 1 2 him in that regard; correct?

- Say the question one more time, please.
- Q. That in respect of Mr. Campollo's statement
- 5 about, as you say, obtaining control over the railroad
- 6 and its assets--and we're talking about the railroad
- 7 in Guatemala that FVG operates--that Mr. Campollo
- 8 asked to you make an offer to him about that issue;
- 9 correct?
- A. Where does it say in that Paragraph 6 that I
- 11 said that he said that he asked for an offer?
- O. Well, sir, this is your statement. What
- 13 did--did Mr. Campollo ask you for an offer or not
- 14 during the December 2004 meeting?
- 15 A. No.
- Q. Okay. So, when you said in Paragraph 6 that
- 17 "he turned the tables and said that he was at the
- 18 meeting to listen to what FVG had to offer him, " you
- 19 were mistaken, he didn't actually ask for an offer
- 20 during the meeting; is that correct?
- A. No, I didn't ask for an offer. I went to
- 22 that meeting with the understanding that he had an

- 11:13:56 1 offer for us.
  - 2 Q. I understand that, but then--
  - 3 A. That's it.
  - Q. Well, that's not only it because your
  - 5 statement says something more. What your statement
  - 6 says is that the tables were turned because
  - 7 Mr. Campollo asked FVG, Ferrovías, what it--it,
  - 8 Ferrovías--had to offer to him; correct?
  - 9 MS. MURCHISON: Objection. That misstates
  - 10 the record, and the statement which says he was at the
  - 11 meeting to listen to what FVG had to offer, not that
  - 12 he asked about the offers.
  - 13 BY MR. ORTA:
  - 14 Q. So, what do you have to say?
  - 15 A. I went there to hear an offer from Campollo.
    16 (Sound interference.)
  - 17 A. To Ferrovías Guatemala. I went there to hear
  - 18 an offer from Campollo. I got there. He wanted to
  - 19 know what we had to offer him. There's a big
  - 20 difference. He continued, and my answer was not
  - 21 unlike the one that he got in the Year 2001 that we
  - 22 were certainly looking for preferably local Guatemalan

- 11:16:45 1 that he did state his control to want to have--or
  - 2 state his intention to have control over the railroad
  - 3 and its asset, and that he asked FVG to make an offer;
  - 4 correct?
    - A. That's what he said.
  - 6 Q. Then, in December of 2004, he stated the same 7 intention; correct?
  - A. I don't remember him saying at all that he
  - 9 wanted us--I didn't go there to give him an offer. I
  - 10 don't care what he wanted. I went there to hear what
  - 11 he had to say to me. That's what it was. What was
  - 12 his offer to me. We didn't go there. I didn't go
  - 13 prepared to make an offer to him.
    - Q. At that meeting in December of 2004,
  - 15 Mr. Campollo never said to you he was going to take
  - 16 away the railway for nothing, did he?
  - 17 A. That's what he said. We could either get him
  - 18 what he wanted or he was going to take it.
    - Q. That's not what you say in Paragraph 6 of
  - 20 your statement, sir. Take a look at it. What you say
  - 21 is that he asked FVG for an offer--he was there to
  - 22 listen to what FVG had to offer him, and that he

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- 11:15:32 1 equity investors. He stated that he did not have any
  - 2 intentions of investing equity in the company, but he
  - 3 did have a desire to control and to have--to take the
  - 4 right of way and control it.
  - 5 Q. And in relation to that statement, he asked
  - 6 FVG for an offer; correct?
  - 7 A. If he did, then it doesn't say--I didn't say
  - 8 that.
  - 9 O. Well, but did he or didn't he?
  - 10 A. No, he did not.
  - 11 O. So, what was the offer--when you say that
  - 12 when you went to the meeting, he said that
  - 13 Mr. Campollo said "he was there to listen to what FVG
  - 14 had to offer him," if it didn't have to do with his
  - 15 intention of obtaining control over the railroad and
  - 16 its assets, what offer was he referring to, to your
  - 17 knowledge?
  - 18 A. I have no idea. I didn't go there to
  - 19 listen--to give him an offer. I went there to hear
  - 20 his offer.
  - 21 Q. Well, in the meeting in December of 2001 or
  - 22 whenever it was back in 2001, April of 2001, you say

11:18:18 1 reiterated his intention of obtaining control of the

- 2 railroad and its assets. That's what you say?
  - A. That's correct.
- 4 Q. So, which is it? Is it correct how you said

- 5 it in your Declaration or what you're saying today?
  - A. The Declaration.
- 7 Q. Okay. So, at that meeting, then,
- 8 Mr. Campollo stated his intention of obtaining the
- 9 railway and asked for an offer. Did FVG ever make an
- 10 offer to him in that regard?
- 11 A. In what regard?
- 12 Q. In regard to what you say was Mr. Campollo's
- 13 intention of obtaining control over the railroad and
- 14 its assets? Did FVG ever make an offer to Mr.
- 15 Campollo?
- 16 A. We never made an offer to Mr. Campollo for
- 17 him to take over control of the railroad and its
- 18 assets. No. We always made an offer to
- 19 Mr. Campollo--any offers that were made to
- 20 Mr. Campollo were just as I stated, not once, but
- 21 maybe six times in the last 30 minutes that the offer
- 22 was we would accept equity partners.

759 757 11:19:30 1 Q. So you were willing to take him on as an 11:22:18 1 Pinto delivered by e-mail a written option offer. Q. So, you say the meeting was demanded by 2 equity partner? 3 Mr. Campollo. How did he do that? How did he make A. Correct. Q. You said that you met with Mr. Campollo again 4 that demand? 5 after this meeting; is that correct? A. I believe he had Pinto call Jorge Senn. A. At his request. 6 Jorge Senn talked to me, set up a time when I was Q. Okay. And when was that meeting? 7 going to be in Guatemala, and we went to the -- we went A. January-February of 2005. 8 to the meeting in Guatemala City in one of Campollo's Q. If you could help us because I have read your 9 offices. 10 Declarations and I don't recall you stating, but maybe Q. So, your personal knowledge is that someone 11 I missed it, that you had another meeting directly 11 told you that Mr. Pinto called Mr. Senn to ask for a 12 with Mr. Campollo. You do mention a meeting that you 12 meeting; correct? 13 had with Mr. Pinto--A. Jorge Senn told me. Q. So, Jorge Senn told you that Mr. Pinto called MS. MURCHISON: Excuse me, for the record, 14 14 15 and to save time, we can go to the Third Statement and 15 him; right? A. That's the way I remember it, yes. 16 Paragraph 9. 16 Q. So, to your knowledge, you have no idea 17 MR. ORTA: Okay. 18 whether Mr. Campollo knew or didn't know about BY MR. ORTA: 18 Q. Sorry, if my question wasn't precise enough, 19 Mr. Pinto's outreach? 20 I'm asking about meetings that you had in relation to A. Oh, I know that he did. 21 the Guatemalan railway, not the consultancy you did in 21 Q. How do you know that? 22 relation to the Dominican Republic, okay? A. Because they were waiting for us when we got 760 758 11:23:19 1 there. 11:21:00 1 THE WITNESS: Okay. MS. MURCHISON: For the record I'm referring Who was waiting for you? 3 you to the Third Statement, Paragraph 9, referring to A. Campollo, in his office. I remember very 4 a 2005 meeting. 4 dramatically going through three air locks of security MR. ORTA: Counsel, just so that the record 5 to get into his office. 6 is clear, Paragraph 9 of the Third Statement refers to Q. Okay. Let's look at what you said in your 7 a meeting that took place in August of 2004, and it 7 statement, sir. Let's highlight both Paragraphs 9 and 8 refers to a meeting that relates to the trip or the 9 consultancy that Mr. Duggan already testified to about Paragraph 9, you refer in your first 10 not the Guatemalan railway but about the consultancy 10 sentence, as you say, to this demand by Mr. Campollo 11 for the Dominican Republic railway. 11 which you just told us you heard about from Mr. Senn MS. MURCHISON: You're right. It's the First 12 who got a call from Mr. Pinto; correct? 13 Statement, Paragraph 9. Excuse me. A. Yes. 14 BY MR. ORTA: 14 Q. And you mentioned a meeting that took place Q. All right. Let's go to that. Paragraph 9, 15 on March 15th, 2005; correct? 15 16 the First Statement. A. That's separate--a different meeting. First of all, this talks about a meeting that Q. So, was there another meeting that you forgot 17 18 you had with Mr. Pinto; correct? Not with 18 to write about here in your Declaration? 19 Mr. Campollo. Paragraph 9. A. Evidently. A. The first sentence of Paragraph 9, I state Q. So, when was this meeting? 20 21 that in early 2005, Campollo again demanded a meeting 21 A. It was in January-February of 2005.

Q. Okay. So, what happened at that meeting,

22 with FVG prior to a March 9th, 2005 meeting where

- 11:24:29 1 sir? We didn't--
  - A. Campollo asked if Ferrovías Guatemala had any
  - 3 changes in giving up control of the South Coast to
  - 4 him.
  - Q. "Any changes"? What does that mean?
  - A. Because the last meeting I left--the one in
  - 7 December, I left with the understanding that we had no
  - 8 intentions of giving up control or giving up the right
  - 9 of way to that South Coast or any other part of the
  - 10 railroad, but that we would take on equity investors.
  - At this meeting in 2005, he again stated, did
  - 12 we have any change of heart or change of mind in

  - 13 allowing him to have control of that railroad, and
  - 14 again I stated no, we did not.
  - Q. So, he asked for an offer, if you will, and
  - 16 you said there was no offer.
  - A. I said that there was still the same offer of
  - 18 taking-being an equity partner, put some money up,
  - 19 don't talk about it, put the money on the table, and
  - 20 we would certainly be willing to talk to him, and his
  - 21 answer was that he had--at that meeting or one of the
  - 22 others, which I think at that meeting also he

- Q. So, three only in relation to his intention 11:26:40 1
  - 2 to want to have control over the FVG Usufruct:
  - 3 correct?
  - A. Yes, sir.
  - Q. So, was anything else said in that
  - 6 January 2005 meeting with Mr. Campollo? Anything else

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- 7 that you think is worth telling the Tribunal about?
- A. No--no.
- Q. All right. So, at that meeting, Mr. Campollo
- 10 then didn't tell you he was going to take away the
- 11 concession for nothing; right? He, instead, asked you
- 12 whether you had a change of heart; correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And you said no? 14
- 15 A. Yes.
- All right. Who else attended that meeting,
- 17 by the way, besides yourself?
- A. Jorge Senn.
- 19 Q. Anyone else?
- 20 A. I don't believe so.
- Q. All right. Now, after that meeting, you
- 22 reference a meeting that you had in March of 2005 with

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- 11:25:48 1 responded as he had in previous meetings that he had
  - 2 the reputation of being a lone wolf and didn't like
  - 3 partners.
  - Q. First of all, just so that we're clear
  - 5 because apparently you forgot to tell us about this in
  - 6 the three Declarations--
  - A. I mentioned it here, but I quess I didn't get
  - 8 the sentence or the paragraph completed.
  - Q. Any other meetings with Mr. Campollo besides
  - 10 this one that you mention in early January 2005?
  - A. No. 11
  - Q. So, it was three meetings that you had with
  - 13 him in total that you can recall?
  - 14 A. Four.
  - Q. Okay. When was the fourth? 15
  - A. First one in 2001, the second one in August
  - 17 of 2004, the third one in December 2004, the fourth
  - 18 one in early 2005.
  - Q. Again, my question wasn't as precise. I'm
  - 20 talking about only in relation to the FVG Usufruct.
  - A. I'm sorry, because you said meetings with
  - 22 Campollo.

11:27:30 1 Mr. Pinto; correct?

- A. Mr. Pinto was involved several times in 2005,
- 3 but the--yes, there was a meeting. I didn't have a
- 4 meeting with him on March 9th, as Paragraph 9 states,
- 5 which it doesn't state that I did, but on March 15th,
- 6 yes, I did have a meeting with him.
- Q. And at that meeting there were--in addition
- 8 to yourself, Mr. Senn was there, you say?
- A. Correct. 9
- 10 O. And Mr. Posner?
- 11 A. Correct.
- O. And Mr. Pietrandrea?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 Q. And the only other person there was
- 15 Mr. Pinto?
- A. No, we had our whole Board of Directors was
- 17 there.
- So, there were other people from Ferrovías?
- A. Not from Ferrovias. I said Board of
- 20 Directors. Of Ferrovías Guatemala.
- Q. So they were from Ferrovias, they were
- 22 members of the Board of Directors of Ferrovias?

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| 11:28:22 1   | A. Okay, okay.  |  | as leaving. Was there an opportunity for anybody to   |
| 2  | Q. Is that correct?   | 2  | respond to that statement?  |
| 3  | A. Okay, yes.   | 3  | A. Yes, there was.  |
| 4  | Q. Okay. And who were those people? That you  | 4  | Q. During that meeting?   |
| 5  | can recall?   | 5  | A. There was. There was a response during that  |
| 6  | <ul> <li>A. One of our corporate attorney at the time,</li> </ul>   | 6  | J   |
| 7  | Pedro Mendoza, Carolinas Asturias, who was also a   | 7  | offer was no good to us as it was written. We had no  |
| 8  | board member.   | 8  | intentions of giving up full control for no funds   |
| 9  | Q. Okay. And the only otherthe only person  | 9  |   |
| 10   | other than Ferrovías board members and/or operations  | 1  | thathe could come back with an offer that was   |
| 11   | 1 . 1   | 11   | · · ·   |
| 12   | A. Correct.   | 12   | Q. Okay. And you mentioned an option, an option   |
| 13   | Q. And at this meeting you say that Mr. Pinto   | 13   | offer that was-that was sent by Mr. Pinto; correct?   |
| 14   | said that eitherif FVG did not cooperate with   | 14   | A. Speaking in reference of what? On the  |
| 15   | Mr. Campollo's company's on joint ventures, so that's   | 15   | March 15th meeting?   |
| 16   | in quotes. You remember he said that exactly?   | 16   | Q. Yes, sir.  |
| 17   | A. Yes.   | 17   | A. Yes.   |
| 18   | Q. And didn'tand didn't agree with the option,  | 18   | Q. Okay.  |
| 19   | 5   | 19   | Let's go ahead and put up C-41.   |
| 20   |   | 20   | This is the option; correct? Well, this is  |
| 21   | A. Yes, go ahead.   | 21   | ·   |
| 22   | Q. That Mr. Campollo would take the business  | 22   | "Maprisol@Intelnett.com." And it's sent to Mr. Senn,  |
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| 11:29:33 1   | 766 with or without FVG?  | 11:32:26 1   | 768<br>Mr. Berger, Mr. Buitron, with a copy to Héctor Pinto,  |
| 11:29:33 1   | with or without FVG?  A. That was a statement upon leaving, yes.  | 11:32:26 1   | Mr. Berger, Mr. Buitron, with a copy to Héctor Pinto,   |
|  | with or without FVG?  | l .  | Mr. Berger, Mr. Buitron, with a copy to Héctor Pinto,<br>and Juan Esteban Berger; correct?<br>A. Yes.   |
| 2  | <pre>with or without FVG?    A. That was a statement upon leaving, yes.    Q. He made that statement as he was leaving, you say?</pre>  | 2  | Mr. Berger, Mr. Buitron, with a copy to Héctor Pinto, and Juan Esteban Berger; correct?  A. Yes.  Q. And if we could go to the next page, please.   |
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- 2 years. I would like to read it, please.
- Q. All right. Well, while you're taking a look
- 4 at it, I'm going to highlight some things and ask you
- 5 some questions about.
- On the first page, you can see that this is a
- proposed agreement; right? It's in draft form, it
- 8 says "Draft Agreement" up top; correct?
- A. Yes.
- Q. And it's a Draft Agreement between 10
- 11 Desarrollos G, Sociedad Anónima. That's one of the
- 12 Parties or proposed Parties to this agreement;
- 13 correct?
- A. Yes. 14
- Q. And the other is Ferrovias; correct? 15
- 16 A. Yes.
- Q. Now, if we go to--go to the second page, 17
- 18 2406, is the Bates number, under second, Roman Number
- 19 I--let's highlight the whole Roman Number I. Or as
- 20 much as you can, there, Kelby. The rest of that page
- 21 is fine.
- 22 In this document, what's being proposed is

- A. This is the first time I've seen this in many 11:37:21 1 initiate or develop a business in relation to the
  - 2 Usufruct rights that Ferrovias had, it would--it would
  - 3 be obligated under this Draft Agreement to communicate
  - 4 with Ferrovías; correct?
    - A. That's what it says.
    - Q. And negotiate the grounds under which the
  - 7 business or project will be developed; right? That's
  - 8 what it says?
  - A. That's what it says.
  - Q. It doesn't say Desarrollos G will take it
  - 11 away for nothing, and we will pay Ferrovías nothing,
  - 12 does it?
  - 13 A. What does "grant" mean to you?
  - 14 Q. Well, sir, we're not here to talk about what
  - 15 grant means to me?
  - A. I'm telling you what it means to me, what it
  - 17 means to me is what we're here to talk about; correct?

  - 19 A. And grant, to me, means that it's given. If
  - 20 I grant you something, I give it to you. If you grant
  - 21 me something, you give it to me.
  - Now, anything else--and if that is asked for,

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- 11:35:57 1 that Ferrovías would grant a first option or first
  - 2 choice or preferential right, is the translation, to
  - 3 initiate and develop businesses or projects related to
  - 4 the property and rights that, and just to paraphrase,
  - 5 that--relating to Ferrovías Usufruct contracts;
  - 6 correct?
  - A. Yes, that's what it said.
  - Q. Okay. That's not a demand to take away the
  - 9 business for nothing, is it?
  - A. What does "grant" mean to me? Grant means
  - 11 that it's given for free.
  - O. Well, let's look a little bit further down
  - 13 and see if that's, in fact, what the document says.
  - 14 It says, "whenever Desarrollos G decides to initiate a
  - 15 business or project, communication will be had with
  - 16 Ferrovías"--I'm sorry. "Communications with Ferrovías
  - 17 will be needed in order to negotiate the grounds under
  - 18 which the business or project will be developed."
  - Right? That's what it says. 19
  - A. That's what it said. 20
  - Q. So it's talking about if Desarrollos G were
  - 22 to exercise a first choice or preferential right to

11:38:19 1 that's one thing, but if someone walks in with a

- 2 contract like this and says this is what I want is a
- 3 grant, that's a threat, especially with the verbiage
- 4 that's given at the end of the meeting.
- Q. So, this was, in your view--because it uses
- 6 the word "grant," in your view this was a threat; is
- 7 that what you're saying?
- A. The whole thing was a threat, but this grant,
- 9 don't come to me wanting me to give me something,
- 10 Mr. Pinto. Come to me with what you're willing to put 11 up for it.
- Q. Okay. And does your assessment of this as a
- 13 threat, is that at all affected by the fact that the
- 14 document itself says that this company, Desarrollos G,
- 15 would be communicating with Ferrovias to negotiate the
- 16 grounds under which the business or project will be
- 17 developed? Does that affect your assessment of
- 18 whether this is a threat or not, or no?
- A. It was enough for us, Ferrovías Guatemala, to
- 20 say we were not interested in this Contract in the way
- 21 it was wrote, period.
- Q. All right. Now, sir, Desarrollos G, you

- 11:39:46 1  $\,$  never spoke with Mr. Campollo about that company;
  - 2 correct?
  - 3 A. I don't--no, I never spoke to him.
  - 4 Q. You have no personal knowledge whether
  - ${\tt 5}\,{\tt Mr.}$  Campollo has any personal interest in that
  - 6 company; correct?
  - 7 A. Nor would I probably be able to find out with
  - 8 the way the bearer of shares law is in Guatemala up
  - 9 until 2013 and '14, when they make them put their
  - 10 names on it.
  - 11 Q. You have no knowledge whether Mr. Campollo
  - 12 ever authorized Mr. Pinto to send this document to
  - 13 you, do you?
  - 14 A. I can't imagine. I don't know that--I don't
  - 15 have that--no, I don't have that.
  - 16 O. Okay. And in relation to the communications
  - 17 that you had with Mr. Campollo, you mentioned the
  - 18 three meetings. Go to R-173. You recall that there
  - 19 was a point in time after this option offer was sent
  - 20 to you by Mr. Pinto where Mr. Campollo sent a letter
  - 21 to Mr. Senn and communicated that he had no further
  - 22 interest in having any discussions with Ferrovías

- 11:41:59 1 Q. No, we're going to talk about what happened 2 after this letter.
  - 3 After April 15th, 2005, did you ever have any

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- 4 communications with Mr. Campollo about the railway
- 5 Usufruct?
  - A. I did not.
- Q. After April 15th, 2005, to your knowledge,
- 8 did Mr. Senn have any communications directly with
- 9 Mr. Campollo about the Usufruct?
  - A. Not that I'm aware of.
- 11 Q. Same question for Mr. Posner.
- 12 A. I don't know whether--I don't know of all
- 13 Mr. Posner's communications.
- 14 O. Are you aware of any that he had with
- 15 Mr. Posner after April 15--
- 16 A. I'm not aware--
- 17 O. Excuse me?
- 18 A. I'm not aware but I can't speak for
- 19 Mr. Posner.
- 20 Q. Are you aware of any other FVG employee,
- 21 Board of Director member who had a conversation
- 22 directly with Mr. Campollo about FVG's Usufruct rights

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11:41:04 1 Guatemala; correct?

- 2 A. You're talking about the April 15th, 2005,
- 3 letter.
- 4 Q. Yes, sir: It's up on the screen.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And in this letter, Mr. Campollo communicates
- 7 to Ferrovías Guatemala that he has decided not to
- 8 participate in the railway project that was presented
- 9 to him in the City of Miami; correct? That's what he
- 10 says.
- 11 A. Yes.
- 12 Q. So, you knew at least, based on this letter,
- 13 that as of this date, Mr. Campollo was saying he had
- 14 no desire to participate in the railway project that
- 15 was presented to him by your company; correct?
- 16 A. That's what that letter said.
- 17 Q. And that's what was communicated to you by
- 18 Mr. Campollo; correct?
- 19 A. On April 15th, 2005.
- 20 Q. Right.
- 21 A. Now, you want the timeline leading up to that
- 22 letter?

11:42:53 1 after April 15, 2005?

- 2 A. No, I'm not, but Mr. Campollo very seldom did
- 3 any communication of that sort in person. He always
- 4 used go-betweens. Always. The meeting in December
- 5 of--or in December wasn't set up by Mr. Campollo. It
- 6 was set up by someone else. The meetings for the work
- 7 that was done in the Dominican Republic was set up by
- 8 someone else, one of his workers. The original
- 9 meeting was set up by someone else, not Mr. Campollo.
- 10 Q. And, sir, after April 15, 2005, there were a
- 11 series of communications that Mr. Pinto had with
- 12 Mr. Posner and Mr. Senn; correct?
- .3 A. Correct.
- 14 O. And in those communications, Mr. Pinto never
- 15 said that he was going to take away the railway, take
- 16 away FVG's Usufruct rights; correct?
  - A. In writing, you're saying?
- 18 Q. That's correct. All of the documents that
- 19 have been provided here by your counsel--there are a
- 20 number of them. I don't have time to go through them,
- 21 but I will list them for the record, C-45, C-109,
- 22 C-110, C-111--

11:44:08 1 A. Nor would I expect those to have the same

2 type of threat.

Q. C-113, C-116, C-117, R-323--we looked at them

4 all. And when you put them in chronological order

5 they tell a story, but they tell a very different

6 story than the one that you've told to this Tribunal.

7 Not once in any of those letters does Mr. Pinto ever

8 say that he is going to take away FVG Usufruct rights,

9 does he?

10 A. He doesn't have to. He would not put it in

11 writing, nor would you or nor would I. I knew that he

12 worked for Campollo, I knew that.

Q. But he never--Mr. Pinto in writing, never

14 communicates to FVG after April 15, 2005, about this

15 supposed intention to take away the railway, does he?

16 A. Not in writing.

17 Q. In your Declaration, any of your

18 declarations, do you ever make an allegation that the

19 Government was proposing--was asking FVG to pay

20 \$50 million in order to abandon the Lesivo

21 Declaration?

22 A. That's not in my Declaration.

11:46:20 1 direct negotiations you had with Government officials,

2 you and Mr. Senn and others leading up to the Lesivo

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3 Declaration, was it?

4 A. This was after Lesivo.

Q. I'm just establishing for the record, it was

6 never mentioned by any Government official to your

7 knowledge, leading up to the Lesivo Declaration;

8 correct?

A. 50 million?

10 Q. Yes, sir.

11 A. Not to my knowledge, no.

2 O. Okay. And after the Lesivo Declaration, it

13 was never mentioned directly to you or anyone at

14 Ferrovias or RDC by any Government official, this

15 alleged 50 million-dollar demand?

A. Not 50 million as a number, no.

17 Q. Or any number. All you've referenced are

18 newspaper clippings. I'm asking you--

A. And personal television spoken words of the

20 President. That's not a newspaper clipping.

21 Q. Sorry. Newspaper clippings, television

22 articles--television reports, you never had any direct

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11:45:29 1 Q. In none of them; right?

A. Not in mine, no.

3 Q. And you don't have any personal knowledge

4 about that issue then?

A. Oh, ves, I do.

Q. How do you have personal knowledge?

7 A. I saw the TV clip.

Q. Are you talking about the TV clip of

9 President Berger--excuse me, let me get the question

10 out.

11 After the Lesivo Declaration was issued. Is

12 that the one you're talking about?

13 A. Correct.

14 Q. Is that the only evidence you have of that

15 point?

16 A. There's also some newspaper clips that have

17 been translated, that were translated for me, an El

18 Periodico article in early September. There was--I

19 remember La Hora newspaper article, there was

20 possibly--there was several of them, and they all

21 mentioned 50 million.

Q. Now, that was never mentioned during the

11:47:26 1 communications with any Government official where they

2 made that demand from you; correct?

A. No.

4 Q. Now, the Contract was declared Lesivo in

5 August of 2006; correct?

A. Correct.

7 O. And as we've seen in this case, the very

8 first business day after, 28 August, 2006, Ferrovías

9 put out a press release in the newspapers in

10 Guatemala; correct?

A. I don't remember the date. If you got that,

12 I don't remember the date that we put that out in the

13 newspapers. I don't remember.

Q. For purposes of time, it's dated--the press

15 release is dated 28 August, 2006.

6 A. When was it published?

Q. Well, it's our understanding it was published

18 that very day in the newspapers?

19 A. I don't remember of a newspaper published on

20 that date.

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21 Q. Well, my question really doesn't relate to

22 when it was published. My question relates to

- 11:48:35 1 something else.
  - Now, Ferrovías made the decision, did it not,
  - 3 shortly after the Lesivo Declaration was issued to
  - 4 begin to put together this arbitration; correct?
  - A. No, that is not correct.
  - 6 Q. When did you begin planning this arbitration?
  - 7 A. It was clear up in--beyond up into 2007 at
  - 8 some point.
  - 9 Q. Okay. You don't remember that, and I'm
  - 10 asking, do you have a recollection that in
  - 11 November 2006, the Government was negotiating with
  - 12 you, with Ferrovías, through its local partners and
  - 13 directly with Ferrovías on the basis of the
  - 14 Mezo-America Study to try to reach an agreement with
  - 15 Ferrovías in order to fix or resolve all of the
  - 16 problems it had with Ferrovías? You don't remember
  - 17 that?
  - 18 A. I don't know--that was our problem. We
  - 19 didn't know what all the problems were that they had
  - 20 with us. What were their problems?
  - Q. No, but I'm asking you a question: Do you
  - 22 have a recollection that in or around November 2006,

- 11:51:05 1 Federico Melville, who was Chairman of the Board at
  - 2 the time of your largest Minority Shareholder in

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- 3 Ferrovías; correct? Cementos Progreso?
- A. Correct.
- Q. And in this document he says to you that
- 6 Cementos does not agree with the decision to pursue
- 7 this international arbitration; correct?
  - A. They did not want to, no.
- Q. Let's just highlight the date for the record
- 10 of this letter. This is a letter--
  - A. May 2007.
- 12 O. Thank you, sir.
- 13 A. As I stated, we didn't talk about this
- 14 arbitration until late into 2007.
- 15 Q. Well, this letter--this letter tells us that
- 16 certainly by May 2007 a decision had been made to
- 17 pursue an arbitration; correct?
- 18 A. That's what I said. You were talking about
- 19 November 2006 and September 2006 and August of 2006.
- 20 I was talking about 2007, and this is true.
- 21 Q. And the last paragraph of this letter says
- 22 that an agreement was reached with the Government in

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- 11:49:49 1 there was a proposed agreement between the Government
  - 2 and Ferrovias relating to a study that had been
  - 3 conducted by Mezo-America in which the Government was
  - 4 trying to settle all its problems--
  - 5 A. No, no.
  - 6 O. You don't remember that?
  - 7 A. No. no. No.
  - 8 Q. And you don't remember that a proposal was
  - 9 made but that Ferrovias turned it down?
  - 10 A. Well, we certainly did. The proposal that we
  - 11 saw, we certainly did turn down.
  - 12 Q. And turned it down saying that it decided to
  - 13 proceed with this arbitration?
  - 14 A. No. no.
  - 15 Q. You don't have a recollection of that?
  - 16 A. I don't have a recollection because it didn't
  - 17 happen that way, Mr. Orta.
  - 18 Q. Let's put up R-327, please.
  - 19 Your local partners in Guatemala--let's
  - 20 highlight the last paragraph, please, and let's also
  - 21 highlight the first paragraph.
  - 22 First of all, this is a letter written by

11:52:19 1 November 2006, which was a good one, giving the

- 2 business a reasonable chance of achieving an
- 3 operational turnaround.
- 4 Do you see that?
- A. I see it.
- 6 Q. So I was asking you if you remembered about
- 7 an agreement in November 2006 that was reached with
- 8 the Government, and you said you had no recollection
- 9 of that; correct?
- 10 A. I don't recollect it, no. I don't remember
- 11 that.
- 12 Q. So, you have no idea what Mr. Melville is
- 13 talking about here when he said there was a good
- 14 agreement reached with the Government in November 2006
- 15 giving the business a reasonable chance of an
- 16 operational turnaround? You have no idea?
- 17 A. I cannot for the life of me figure out what
- 18 the good agreement that he's talking about was, the
- 19 Agreement that was proposed to us, presented to us,
- 20 was not a good agreement.
- 21 Q. And you rejected it?
- 2 A. We rejected it.

787 785 11:53:04 1 MR. ORTA: All right. I don't have any 11:55:30 1 I don't recall, a gentleman from the railroad 2 equipment rebuilding company in the Carolinas that I 2 further questions at this time. PRESIDENT RIGO SUREDO: Thank you, Mr. Orta. 3 never heard of before, and I cannot remember his name, 4 but I do remember Mr. Juan Esteban Berger was at that Ms. Murchison. MS. MURCHISON: Thank you. We can actually 5 meeting when I walked in. leave up this exhibit for a moment. Q. Who is Mr. Juan Esteban Berger? We saw that the date--can we just show the A. He is an attorney in Guatemala, the son of 8 date again of this exhibit. It's May 2nd, 2007. 8 President Berger. 9 REDIRECT EXAMINATION Q. Did you know that President Berger's son was 10 BY MS. MURCHISON: 10 going to be at your meeting with Ramon Campollo? A. Absolutely not. Q. Do you remember the first time that you met 12 with your counsel from Greenberg Traurig? Do you know why he was there? A. It was in the--sometime in the Summer early A. No, other than he had to have been working 14 in the Summer of 2007. I cannot remember for sure. 14 for Mr. Campollo. Everybody else at that meeting did. Q. Who invited Mr. Berger, President Berger's Q. Mr. Duggan, were RDC or Ferrovias's local 16 partners authorized to act on the company's behalf? 16 son to the meeting? A. No, no. A. It had to have been Mr. Campollo. 17 Q. At this meeting with Mr. Campollo and O. Let's take this exhibit down. 18 Mr. Orta asked you some questions about 19 President Berger's son, what did Mr. Campollo say to 20 meetings that you had with Mr. Campollo about who was 20 you about the South Coast railway line? 21 there and about what was said. I want to talk to you A. That he wanted to have the opportunity to 22 a little bit about that. How many total times did you 22 obtain controlling interest in it and to be able to 788 786 11:56:46 1 utilize it for his own benefit to move sugar from the 11:54:13 1 meet with Mr. Campollo? 2 Mexican lines or from the Mexican border over towards A. Four. Q. Who was--let's do this. Let's put up your 3 the sugar mills that he had, and for several reasons, 4 First Statement. I think it was Paragraph 4 that 4 one, because he said he could buy property cheaper 5 Mr. Orta put on the screen earlier. Let's go to that 5 along the border area. He also had Ciudad del Sur project going on 6 same paragraph. Who was at the first meeting with 7 close to his property in Santa Lucia. 8 Mr. Campollo? Who was with Mr. Campollo when he told The way I understood it, that Berger was 9 you that he intended to obtain a controlling interest 9 handling some of that particular project for him. 10 in FVG Usufruct and its assets, including the real Q. Did Mr. Campollo actually mention during this 11 estate? 11 meeting with the President's son Ciudad del Sur? 12 A. Mr. Pinto. A. Yes. Q. Now, you told us about a second meeting in Q. Now, after your first meeting with 14 the Dominican Republic when you were consulting with 14 Mr. Campollo at which Mr. Pinto was present in 2001, 15 him or his railroad; is that right? 15 when was the next time that you saw Mr. Pinto? A. Yes. A. Say again, please. Q. When was your third meeting with Q. After the first time that you saw Mr. Pinto 17 18 when he was with Mr. Campollo at the meeting in 2001--18 Mr. Campollo? A. In December of 2004. 19 A. Yes.

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21 Mr. Pinto?

Q. --when was the next time that you saw

A. I don't remember seeing Mr. Pinto again

Q. Who was with Mr. Campollo during your third

A. A gentleman from Mercury Finance, whose name

21 meeting with him in December 2004?

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| 11:58:11 1   | personally. I know that there was communication  | 12:00:06 1   | Mr. Orta put on the screen an April 2005  |
| 2  | between he and Ferrovias Guatemala, the General  | 2  | letter from Mr. Campollo, and if you look in your   |
|  | Manager. I don't remember seeing him again personally  | 3  |   |
| 4  | until March of 2005.   | 4  | A. Yes.   |
| 5  | Q. When you saw him, Mr. Pinto, in March 2005,   | 5  | Q. Do you remember a letter that Mr. Campollo   |
| 6  | was that the board meeting that you told us about  | 6  | sent to Ferrovias saying that he wasn't interested  |
| ,  | earlier?   | 7  | anymore?  |
| 8  | A. Correct.  | 8  | A. I do.  |
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| 9  | Q. Now, let's go back to your  | 9  | Q. Now, why would Ferrovias continue to   |
| 10   | MR. ORTA: I'm going to object to the   |  | communicate with Mr. Pinto after having received that   |
|  | characterization of that meeting. I don't think it   |  | letter from Mr. Campollo?   |
| 12   | was called a board meeting. You just characterized it  | 12   | A. The major communication with Mr. Pinto was,  |
| 13   | as a board meeting.  | 13   | as I said, in March, on March 9th, March 15th, and  |
| 14   | MS. MURCHISON: That's what the witness   |  | later, in late March, early April, our office was   |
| 15   | testified. The shareholders were there.  | 15   | contacted, our General Manager was contacted by   |
| 16   | BY MS. MURCHISON:  | 16   | Mr. Pintothis is early Aprilprior to  |
| 17   | Q. So, we can call it a shareholders meeting;  | 17   | Mr. Campollo's April 15th letter, that we had   |
| 18   | right?   | 18   | illegalities in our contracts and that he was going to  |
| 19   | A. Yes.  | 19   | get the railroad from us with the help of the Minister  |
| 20   | Q. Now, if you go back to your First Statement   | 20   | of Communications transportation at the time because  |
| 21   | and you look at Paragraph Number 9, I think Mr. Orta   | 21   | they had stated that there were illegalities in our   |
| 22   | asked you some questions about this, too.  | 22   | Contract. He wanted to meet with us, and he would   |
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793 795 12:03:00 1 What they wanted was for us to give up our 12:06:08 1 appears in several other instances in your statement, 2 rights and turn them over to Héctor Pinto and Ramon 2 what do you understand his interest in this matter to 3 Campollo and the whole group. 3 be? Why was he there? Who was he representing? And Mr. Ricardo Silva, who was also an attorney 4 what position was he taking regarding the matters that 5 were being discussed? 5 working for us, and was also a professor who had 6 taught Mr. Fuxet and some more of them that were in THE WITNESS: Sir, the only--it's my 7 the room, gave them a lesson on the fact that it could 7 understanding that he worked for Campollo; otherwise, 8 not be done legally. 8 he wouldn't have been available, he wouldn't have been I also demanded to know what the illegalities 9 there. At the--10 were that they were responding to because I wanted to ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: But did he say so? 10 11 know. If it's illegal, then let's do something about THE WITNESS: He kept saying that he was 11 12 it. There weren't any illegalities. There weren't 12 there working for his clients. That's what he said. 13 any. They never said any of it up. It was all talk, If we go to the meeting that more or less 14 couldn't show me one illegal thing about our 14 justifies my feelings. If we go to the meeting of 15 April in Mr. Mendoza's office that I was just 15 Contracts. Q. Mr. Duggan, the demands that you said 16 describing and I lost my temper possibly, and I knew 17 Mr. Pinto made, how did they compare with the 17 that Mr. Berger was involved in the whole drawing up 18 statements that Mr. Campollo had made during your 18 of the letters and the demands, and I so stated that, 19 meetings with him? 19 it was only two days later that Mr. Berger asked for a A. They were the same statement, the same 20 meeting with us in Mr. Ricardo Silva's office at which 20 21 time he apologized for not being at the meeting, that 21 statement. 22 he didn't like what he had heard that Mr. Pinto had Q. Let's put up Exhibit C-41, which is the 796 794 12:04:28 1 Option Offer I think you talked about. Can we make 12:07:48 1 said, that it shouldn't have--he never should have 2 that a little bit bigger and go to that first choice 2 made statements like that. He did this in front of Mr. Silva because 3 language that was up a little while ago. Page 2. Do you see the part where it says, Ferrovías 4 Mr. Silva had been a professor of his at the 5 should grant Desarrollos G first choice or 5 University when he was in law school, and that's why 6 preferential right? Do you see that part? 6 he wanted that to happen that way, but he did A. Yes. 7 apologize profusely. Q. Is there any language in Exhibit C-41, this He also did say that he was threatened by his 9 Option Offer, that talks about Desarrollos G or anyone 9 father not to participate, but he was in--he was 10 else paying anything to Ferrovías for first choice or 10 always around, always involved with the Campollo 11 preferential right? 11 meeting, his name came up in different times, and I 12 just couldn't help but understand that he was working 12 A. No. Q. Is there anything in this document, Exhibit 13 for Campollo. 14 C-41, that mentions Desarrollos G or anyone else 14 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: When he said he was 15 paying anything to Ferrovías? 15 representing clients, did you ever ask him which 16 A. No. 16 clients they were, or did he ever name them? MS. MURCHISON: No further questions. THE WITNESS: He had a lot of maguila 17 17 18 clients. He never named them. I know that in Ciudad PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you. 18 19 del Sur they discussed putting in a transloading 19 QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Mr. Duggan, you 20 facility for maquila stuff. There was also some 20 21 mentioned at the late 2004, December 3, 2004, meeting 21 talk--I think they were possibly Korean clients. I 22 don't know. He didn't say and I quess I don't know. 22 that Mr. Juan Esteban Berger was present, and he

797 799 12:09:08 1 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: You mentioned that at 12:11:12 1 First Statement, Paragraph 10, we will see the mention 2 the 2001 meeting, that Mr. Campollo and Mr. Pinto were 2 of a quote about Campollo's name during the 3 present; is that correct? 3 March 15th, 2000 meeting at which this Option Offer THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. 4 was actually on presented. MR. ORTA: If I may, as I understand ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: At your subsequent, I 6 Secretary Eizenstat's question, the question is 6 quess you had three others, two connected to the rail 7 way here and the third was the consulting Contract in 7 whether Mr. Duggan stated in his statement that 8 the Dominican Republic, at those other three meetings 8 Mr. Pinto had told him that Desarrollos G had to do 9 was Mr. Pinto present with Mr. Campollo? 9 with Mr. Campollo, that's what I understood the THE WITNESS: No. 10 guestion to be, and, and to the extent that counsel is 10 11 saying that that's what's referenced in Paragraph 10, ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Then he reappears in 11 12 I would object to that characterization of 12 2005 with this proposal from Desarrollos G; is that 13 correct? 13 Paragraph 10. It doesn't say that. THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. MS. MURCHISON: For the record, I would note 14 14 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: On what basis do you 15 that it has "option" in parentheses in this paragraph, 16 but I think we've been all calling this an Option 16 connect Mr. Pinto and Desarrollos G in that offer to 17 Offer in C-41. 17 Mr. Campollo? THE WITNESS: I understand that Desarrollos G ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: So, in Paragraph 10 of 19 is a company that's under the umbrella of 19 your First Statement, this option, is this the same as 20 the Desarrollos G proposal, or not? 20 Mr. Campollo. THE WITNESS: Yes, sir, it is. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And on what basis do 21 22 you understand that? What evidence is there? What ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: You mentioned -- a 22 800 798 12:10:06 1 documents were there? Tell the Tribunal--12:12:25 1 discussion has been made of a November 2006 agreement THE WITNESS: Sir, I'm sorry, I do not have 2 or proposed possible agreement. Do you know the 3 the hard evidence on that. It's so difficult to find 3 issues that were covered by that November 2006 4 in Guatemala who the actual owners are because of the 4 proposal, what areas they were covering? Was this 5 opportunity that they have to bear shares anonymously, 5 covering all the contracts? 802, et cetera? 143, 6 and we could not prove it, but we were told by Pinto 6 158? What issues were being proposed for settlement? 7 that it was a Campollo company. THE WITNESS: It's my understanding--it was ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: So, in 2005, when 8 my understanding that all the contracts were being 9 discussed in that proposed settlement, that we would 9 Mr. Pinto made this Desarrollos G offer, you're saying 10 that he said it was a Campollo company? 10 give up all of the right of way, all of the easement THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. He brought up 11 rights, all of the property rights on anything where 11 12 Campollo's name many times. 12 we were not presently--present day operating trains. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Is that in your That we would begin to pay more money in the 14 statement, your written statement? 14 Canon--if I'm not mistaken, that was part of it THE WITNESS: I don't know, sir. I don't 15 without reading it, sir, again; it was also that the 15 16 think so. 16 property that we were not present day operating trains I believe it is, too. I do believe I did--it 17 on, being the South Coast, that that property would 17 18 then be available to be disbursed to other ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Perhaps you could be 19 individuals. That's my recollection of the 20 good enough, or maybe Counsel could point that to us 20 November 6th agreement. 21 more quickly. It would take away all of our incentive, and MS. MURCHISON: I think if we look at the 22 it was not a viable offer.

803 801 12:14:07 1 12:17:04 1 President Berger was getting, whether it be from the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Was any 2 FEGUA interventor, whether it be from Campollo and 2 counterproposal made? THE WITNESS: They were not -- no, sir. No. 3 Ciudad del Sur, whether it be from others in the sugar 4 There was no counterproposal made. They were not 4 industry who may have wanted to have the right of way interested in a counterproposal. 5 for roads, whether it was the electric company that ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Again, let me just go 6 wanted the right of way for free easement on power 7 back to this Pinto relationship. 7 lines, but that's what it was set up for, was to try Concretely, in 2005, what evidence do you 8 to be a go-between, between us and the Government. 9 have for the Tribunal that when Pinto made this ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Did you attend several 10 particular proposal on behalf of Desarrollos G, that 10 meetings that you referenced in Paragraph 19 from 11 he was representing the interests of Mr. Campollo? 11 March to June, did you personally participate in those 12 Was it his statement? 12 meetings? 13 THE WITNESS: Only Mr. Pinto's statements. 13 THE WITNESS: I did participate in a couple 14 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: There was no other 14 of them, yes, sir. 15 basis for that? ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And you mentioned in 16 THE WITNESS: No, sir, I'm sorry. 16 18 that they were also interested in issues of theft ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Okay. Now, going back 17 and so forth, squatters. 17 18 to your Paragraph 18 and President Berger wanted to What was happening in these meetings? Who 19 create a new High-Level Railroad Commission, which you 19 were participating? What was the goal of the 20 mentioned at Paragraph 19 that was in existence for 20 meetings, and what did they accomplish? 21 about three months, permit me to ask you a few 21 THE WITNESS: There wasn't much accomplished, 22 questions about that. 22 sir. 802 804 The meeting was set up, as we discussed, 12:15:24 1 THE WITNESS: Yes, sir. 12:18:23 1 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: When the President 2 after President Berger instructed it to be set up. 3 issued the instruction to set this Railroad Commission 3 This was after a meeting with Mr. Posner, myself, a 4 up, was it an attempt to resolve the outstanding 4 couple of representatives from the cement company 5 differences between Ferrovias and the Government? 5 attended, and Mr. Berger's instructions were that he 6 pointed his finger at the interventor of FEGUA and THE WITNESS: The only outstanding difference 7 at the time this was set up was the fact that the 7 told him to dissolve FEGUA. FEGUA had grown into a 8 FEGUA had not paid into the trust the funds that they 8 bloated bureaucracy of 40 people to monitor the 98 9 were supposed to pay, which at the time was somewhere people who were operating the railroad. They were 10 between two-and-a-half and 3 million U.S. dollars. We 10 always wanting more money. 11 wanted that money. The other thing that was involved 11 He was also--we had some issues on squatters, 12 in that trust or in this High-Level Commission 12 and he wanted that to be taken care of, the commercial 13 was--there was some complaints, not illegalities, but 13 squatters and the private squatters. 14 complaints from people that we weren't moving fast 14 In the meetings that I attended we didn't get 15 enough, that we weren't spending enough money to 15 much accomplished. It was one of the--second meeting, 16 rehabilitate the South Coast, that we just weren't 16 third meeting after the meeting with President Berger 17 moving fast enough. We had met all of our 17 of the High-Level Commission of wherein I got word 18 obligations, so there weren't illegalities. 18 from Mr. Mario Fuentes by telephone through Jorge Senn 19 The High-Level Commission was supposedly 19 that there was a piece of paper floating around the 20 developed to assist us in better being able to 20 Government at that time of the day of that meeting, 21 finance--to find financing and utilize international 21 and it was to initiate the taking back of our 22 financing and to satisfy these complaints that the 22 Usufruct.

807 805 I went into that meeting beyond which I 12:20:10 1 12:23:04 1 THE WITNESS: I honestly don't know, sir. I 2 understand was set up to be of a good quality 2 honestly don't know. 3 High-Level Commission, and they wanted to know what we ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Okay. 3 4 could do, why don't we drop our lawsuit against the THE WITNESS: And somebody could have talked 5 two-and-a-half million, or whatever the exact number 5 him into it at a later date. I don't know. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Thank you. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Who asked that? PRESIDENT RIGO: Ms. Murchison, on the THE WITNESS: The lawyers for FEGUA. 8 Tribunal questions? I told them that if they paid that money that 9 MS. MURCHISON: Just a couple of follow-up 10 we would drop all the other charges that we had 10 questions. 11 against them. If they would also drop their 11 FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION 12 countersuit. They said no, they couldn't pay the 12 BY MS. MURCHISON: 13 money, and they would not drop the countersuit, that Q. If we look back at Exhibit 41, the email 14 we would just have to trust them. 14 transmitting the Offer Option that we have been And it was at that point that I asked how I 15 talking about, Mr. Duggan, do you have any idea why 16 could trust them when not 45 minutes earlier I had 16 the President's son would have been copied on or why 17 gotten a phone call from someone who I did trust to be 17 he would have received this Option Offer? 18 telling the truth that there was something floating MR. ORTA: I will object. I don't believe 19 around the Ministers sent out by the President, to 19 the Tribunal asked about this particular issue. 20 initiate taking away our Usufruct Agreement. MS. MURCHISON: I think we talked about an 20 Two of the people got up from the table, made 21 Option Offer, and we talked about whether this was an 22 Option Offer, and now I'm going to the e-mail that's 22 a phone call and came back and said they weren't able 808 806 12:21:45 1 to contact the person they wanted to to solidify my 12:24:08 1 transmitting it. Secretary Eizenstat also asked 2 statement, to say that it was correct. One of them 2 questions about why Mr. Duggan would have believed and 3 on what basis he would have believed that Mr. Pinto 3 told me personally that if it was correct, that he 4 would take his name off and he wouldn't be on the 4 was communicating on behalf of Mr. Campollo, and we've 5 Commission meeting if it wasn't being handled 5 already heard some testimony from Mr. Berger about who 6 truthfully and up front. 6 else was copied on this e-mail transmitting the Option We never had another Commission meeting after 7 Offer, which is apparently an attorney associated with 8 Mr. Campollo. 8 that. The next thing we got four months later--four 9 months I think it was, we got the Lesivo Declaration. PRESIDENT RIGO: You may answer the question. 9 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Do you have any reason THE WITNESS: The only thing--the only reason 11 that I can imagine that he would have been copied is 11 to doubt the sincerity of President Berger in setting 12 up this Commission to try to resolve these 12 if he was working as an attorney or legal 13 differences? 13 representative of Desarrollos G, Héctor Pinto and, as 14 THE WITNESS: Well, it was President Berger 14 I said before, I accept it to be also for Ramon 15 that started within 60 days--60 days of our meeting 15 Campollo. 16 and setting up the Commission meetings that they were 16 BY MS. MURCHISON: 17 already evidently discussing Lesivo and passing the Q. Okay. Secretary Eizenstat also asked you 17 18 paperwork through. That's the only thing that I can 18 questions about President Berger and communications in 19 terms of negotiations with Ferrovías. 19 say. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: But if he weren't 20 Did you have any reason to doubt the 20 21 interested in a resolution, why would he have wanted 21 sincerity of President Berger's statements when he 22 demanded \$50 million? 22 to set the Commission up?

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| 6  | stuff in the news reports.  | 6  | In response to Secretary Eizenstat's questions about   |
| 7  | MS. MURCHISON: That's incorrect, and if I   | 7  | that issue?  |
| 1  | could inquire, I believe the Witness would testify to   | 8  | A. No, sir. It never came up.  |
| 9  | the same.   | 9  | Q. Okay.   |
| 10   | MR. ORTA: No, I think the Witness's   | 10   | A. The Equipment Contract never came up.   |
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| 16   | A. Yes.   | 16   |  |
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| 18   | MR. ORTA: The objection was sustained. That   | 1  | from.  |
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12:30:28 1 early this afternoon.
12:32:58 1 A. In some people's minds, yes.

2 MR. ORTA: Okay. I will note that Mr. Duggan 3 was copied on the letter as well, but I take the

4 Tribunal's directive, and we can ask Mr. Senn about

6 I do want to put up I believe it's R-29.

 $7\,$  These are minutes from the High-Level Commission

8 meeting.

9 BY MR. ORTA:

10 Q. First of all, this the High-Level Commission

11 meeting that took place on May 11, 2006, and at which

12 you were present; correct?

13 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Excuse me, could you

14 please reference the document here?

15 MR. ORTA: Yes, I'm sorry. It's Exhibit

16 R-29.

17 BY MR. ORTA:

18 Q. Sir, these are minutes of one of the

19 High-Level Commission meetings. It's a meeting that

20 took place on May 11, 2006; correct?

21 A. That's the date, yes.

Q. And you were present at that meeting, up top

O. In your mind was he a Presidential

3 Commissioner?

4 A. No.

Q. He didn't have that appointment, to your

6 knowledge?

7 A. He had an appointment, but you have to earn

8 my respect. You just don't get it.

9 Q. Okay. And Mr. Fernández offered to stop the

10 Lesivo process, with the intention of showing the

11 State's good faith; correct? That's what that

12 document says.

3 A. This letter came in Spanish. I don't

14 remember seeing this letter in English. That's what

15 the letter, the e-mail is saying. It that what it

16 was, it was e-mail; right?

17 Q. No, these are minutes of the meeting on

18 May 11, 2006.

19 A. I do not remember seeing it in English, ever.

20 So, it's been translated for this hearing. I do

21 not--I'm not aware of this paragraph and this

22 particular meeting.

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12:31:50 1 it shows the persons attending?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. And if we could just go a little bit

4 lower here, if we can highlight the second-to-last

5 paragraph on the first full page--first page,

6 second-to-last paragraph, you see at the bottom of

7 that paragraph it talks about that it was acknowledged

8 that there were three points that had arisen that

9 needed to be resolved so as to be able to negotiate;

10 correct?

11 A. That's what it says.

12 Q. And one of the points, point number three was

13 the Lesivo nature of the Contract?

14 A. That's what it says.

15 Q. And it also says that Mr. Fernández--you

16 understand that to be Mr. Mickey Fernández?

17 A. Yes.

18 Q. And he was a High-Level Presidential

19 Commissioner, wasn't he?

20 A. He wasn't at the meeting with me.

Q. My question was: Did you understand him to

22 be a High-Level Presidential Commissioner?

Q. Okay. Now, did you participate in any of the

2 negotiations that took place leading up to the Lesivo

3 Declaration?

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A. No, only a couple of the High-Level

5 Commission meetings.

Q. Was it reported to you that one of the issues

7 discussed in those meetings was curing the

8 deficiencies in the contract that made it Lesivo?

9 A. No.

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10 Q. That was never reported to you?

A. No, not in the meetings that I was at.

2 O. Did you ever see the draft Settlement

13 Agreement that was proposed the day before the Lesivo

14 Declaration was published?

15 A. I did see it.

16 O. You did?

17 A. I did--I do remember seeing that.

0. Do you recall that it has language in there

19 in which the Parties were to negotiate resolutions of

20 the Lesivo--of the causes that made the Contract

21 Lesivo?

2 A. We were never told what the causes of the

12:35:17 1 Contract--that made the Contract Lesivo were.

- Q. That wasn't my question, sir. My question
- 3 was: Do you recall that one of the points that was 4 proposed in that agreement to be negotiated between
- 5 the Parties was curing the deficiencies that made the
- 6 Contract Lesivo?
- A. Yes. And to cure it, we had to rewrite also
- 8 the other contracts for the property and everything
- 9 else. That was the only cure. So, no, that wasn't
- 10 the cure. That was just another threat.
- Q. You responded to questions by Secretary
- 12 Eizenstat that with relation to the November 2006
- 13 proposal, the proposed Settlement Agreement or
- 14 proposed Settlement. To your knowledge, you say that
- 15 part of that proposed Agreement was to give up areas
- 16 where you were not operating. Do you recall that?
- A. That's the way I understood it. 17
- Q. And that that would take away all of our
- 19 incentive, you said.
- A. Yes. 20
- Q. What did you mean by that? 21
- A. If you give up--to give up 65 percent of your

- 12:37:59 1 have not yet made money, but it would.
  - Q. I would like to now turn your attention, sir,
  - 3 to another issue that you were questioned about by
  - 4 Secretary Eizenstat, and that is a meeting that took
  - 5 place in April of 2005 at which Mr. Fuxet--remember

  - 6 you testified about a meeting where Mr. Fuxet was
  - 7 there, and you had expected President Berger's son, 8 Juan Esteban Berger to show up but he wasn't there?

  - 9 Do you recall that?
    - A. I do.

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- Okay. Now, in that meeting, I believe you
- 12 told Secretary Eizenstat that another threat was made
- 13 during that meeting to take away the concession. I
- 14 believe that's what you testified to.
- A. I didn't say that that was a threat. I said
- 16 that what they had done is they came in with another
- 17 offer not unlike the one we had on the screen here,
- 18 from Desarrollos G, and it was for all practical
- 19 purposes the same offer. We couldn't have signed it
- 20 if we wanted to, and we didn't want to. And that is
- 21 what Mr. Silva took them back to college on and
- 22 explained to him that it couldn't be done.

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- 12:36:39 1 Usufruct, that's what we would be doing, would be
  - 2 giving up around 65 percent of it.
    - Q. And you would be left with what? Phase I?
    - A. That's it.
  - Q. That's the phase that wasn't producing any
  - 6 profits from day 1 until the time you left?
  - A. I don't like that question, but the fact is
  - 8 that it was doing very well, that in 2004 it almost
  - 9 broke even.
  - Now, we did work on situations down there
  - 11 that we couldn't handle, like the hurricanes and some
  - 12 of that. It did cause us problems. We were very,
  - 13 very proud of the fact that that railroad, working
  - 14 with 98 employees had gone from zero to 128,000 tons
  - 15 in that same four-five-year period.
  - We were also very proud of the fact that our
  - 17 safety record had gone 572 days without a personal
  - 18 injury, something that the Government of Guatemala,
  - 19 from 1985 until 1990 was having four to five
  - 20 fatalities a year and 10 percent of their workforce,
  - 21 40 people at a time, were out due to injuries.
  - So, yes, we were very proud of it. It may

12:39:21 1 It was also during that meeting that I asked

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- 2 for the proof of any illegalities that they were
- 3 claiming, that that was the threat, and that 4 particular instance the threat was the illegalities
- 5 that they were claiming were in our Contract.
  - Q. Let's put up C-102, please.
  - Do you recall that you wrote a
- 8 contemporaneous e-mail in relation to that meeting?
- Let's go ahead and highlight the whole thing 9
- 10 in yellow.
- MR. ORTA: For the Tribunal, this is document 11
- 12 C-102, and it's a series of e-mails between
- 13 Mr. Duggan, Mr. Posner, Mr. Senn, and Mr. Pietrandrea.
- 14 THE WITNESS: That's Pietrandrea.
- 15 BY MR. ORTA:
- 16 Q. Thank you. It's very difficult to pronounce.
  - Now, sir, I'm calling your attention to the
- 18 e-mail that you sent. It says, from Bill Duggan to
- 19 Henry Posner and others, dated the 15th of April of
- 20 2005; correct?

- 21 A. That's correct.
  - Q. And in here you're summarizing the meeting

 $12\!:\!40\!:\!42$  1 that we were just discussing, that you had talked to

- 2 Secretary Eizenstat about; correct?
- 3 A. Correct.
- 4 O. Toward the end of sort of what looks to be
- 5 the first paragraph, you say that the meeting started
- 6 out by Fuxet saying that he was there at the request
- 7 of President Berger's son, but he wanted to emphasize
- 8 that this was not a Government threat.
- 9 Do you see that?
- 10 A. I see that.
- 11 Q. So that's what you recall him saying at that
- 12 meeting, correct?
- 13 A. That's what he said, but if I could go on
- 14 further, he didn't have to say it. He didn't have to
- 15 say it. I have been around long enough that if it
- 16 looks like a duck and it walks like a duck and it
- 17 quacks like a duck, it's a duck. That's what he was
- 18 doing. He was threatening.
- 19 Q. Who was he threatening?
- 20 A. It says here that he wanted to emphasize that
- 21 this is not a Government threat. So, if that's the
- 22 case, that's not the way I read it.

- 12:43:02 1 Communication had alluded to such a situation since we 2 had not gotten the railroad up to the standard they
  - 3 thought was needed; correct?
    - A. That's what I said.
  - Q. And you further say, you say, I also stated

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- 6 that Héctor Pinto was told in no uncertainty terms on
- 7 the morning of March 15--that's when you had that
- 8 meeting with Mr. Pinto; correct?
- A. Correct.
- Q. --that RDC had no interest in the proposal as
- 11 written at the time but was given an alternative to
- 12 buy in as an investor; right?
- 13 A. Correct.
- 14 PRESIDENT RIGO: Excuse me, Mr. Orta, you
- 15 have been more than 15 minutes now and if you are
- 16 going to keep to the schedule, I would appreciate if
- 17 you have any really--give me an idea of how much time
- 18 do you need.
- 19 MR. ORTA: If I could have the Tribunal's
- 20 indulgence just to finish this line of questioning, I
- 21 may be done, which about another two questions; or
- 22 less.

- 12:41:46 1 Q. So, when he told you, this is not a
  - 2 Government threat, you interpreted it as a threat?
  - A. Yes, sir, personally.
  - 4 Q. Okay. Now, a little bit later on, in your
  - 5 description of the meeting, you talk about the fact
  - 6 that--that it was your understanding--you say, after
  - 7 about 20 minutes--I will skip the rest of the
  - 8 language--I threw my hardhat and said that it was my
  - 9 understanding that Héctor Pinto had called for the
  - 10 meeting that was originally supposed to take place
  - 11 last week for him to tell us about the illegalities of
  - 12 our Contract with FEGUA that he had learned of, and
  - 13 that if we did not sign his proposed Contract that the
  - 14 Government would most likely kick us out should there
  - 15 be no agreement with his group.
  - Now, you were referencing there to the prior
  - 17 meeting you had had with Mr. Pinto where you say he
  - 18 made that allegation; correct?
  - 19 A. Correct.
  - 20 Q. And you further characterized that in this
  - 21 meeting you say the response naturally was that there
  - 22 was no threat per se but that the Minister of

- 12:44:09 1 PRESIDENT RIGO: If you finish in five
  - 2 minutes, just to keep to the schedule.
  - 3 MR. ORTA: I promise to keep it to less than
  - 4 five.
  - 5 BY MR. ORTA:
  - 6 Q. Now, after this meeting, there was a meeting,
  - 7 as you testified to, wherein you met with President
  - 8 Berger's son, Juan Esteban Berger?
    - A. That's correct.
  - 10 Q. And if we could go to the very top of this
  - 11 document, there's an e-mail to you written by Jorge
  - 12 Senn, if we could just highlight that, and if you
  - 13 could highlight the text of the e-mail, it says:
  - 14 "Henry and Bob"--it's written by Jorge
  - 15 Senn--"everything said is accurate," and he's
  - 16 referring to the text of your e-mail. He says, "And
  - 17 don't need my comments except to add the fact that we
  - 18 had a meeting with Berger's son today in Silva's
  - 19 office."
  - Do you recall that you were at that meeting,
  - 21 Mr. Duggan?
  - 22 A. Yes.

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| 1  | son, Juan Esteban Berger, "greatly apologized for the  | 2  |  |
| 1  | misunderstanding and continued to offer us his help in   |  | Tribunal is to accept it, and we think it would be   |
| 4  |  | 4  | helpful, I mean, to see how it works, and obviously we   |
| 5  | involved for obvious reasons."   | 5  | would like to receive your input on it. I mean, your   |
| 6  | Do you see that?   | 6  | comments.  |
| 7  | A. That's correct.   | 1  | So, within a reasonable time, you tell me  |
| 8  | Q. So, at that meeting, Mr. Berger offered to  |  | when you think we can give it to the Tribunal.   |
| 9  | help you and said that those threats that you all  | 9  | MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Well,   |
| 10   | claimed were made by Mr. Pinto had nothing to do with him; right?  | 10   | we, as I mentioned this morning, if the Tribunal is inclined to accept it, which you just communicated to  |
| 11 12  | A. Say again, please?  | 12   | us that you are, we will need to have our Expert   |
| 13   | Q. Mr. Berger told you at that meeting that the  | 13   | review it, and I think my expectation is we could  |
| 1  | threats or supposed threats by Mr. Pinto had nothing   | 14   | hopefully have that donebear with me a second.   |
| 15   | to do with him, should not be attributed to him?   | 15   | (Pause.)   |
| 16   | A. I stated that earlier, yes.   | 16   | MR. ORTA: Mr. Chairman, we should be able to   |
| 17   | Q. Okay. And it goes on to say: "We will   | 17   | have a response for you by tomorrow morning. We  |
| 18   |  | 18   | should be able to review it with our Expert by this  |
| 19   | What does that mean?   | 19   | evening.   |
| 20   | A. To get them to do what they were supposed to  | 20   | The only caveat, and it's just a caveatI   |
|  | do, according to the Contract.   | 21   | just want to be very carefulis that if we run into   |
| 22   | MR. ORTA: Okay. I have nothing further.  |  | any trouble or problems interpreting, you know,  |
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21 eventually for the orders of smaller amounts of fuel, 22 but when we lost the credit with our prime suppliers,

Q. Okay. And how did this affect the company's

22 operations?

02:07:49 1 we started working more with these people. They were

- 2 more expensive, but they were the only ones who would
- 3 supply us lower volumes of fuel, but it was also cash
- 4 in advance. At least they were willing to do it, so
- 5 this made our operation more expensive, and we had to
- 6 raise the money first before purchasing the fuel.
  - Q. You mentioned loss of credit with some of
- 8 your bigger fuel suppliers. Which companies are you
- 9 referring to there?
- 10 A. We were working with three or four major
- 11 suppliers: Shell, Texaco, Puma Oil or Puma
- 12 Energy--they had both names at one time, amongst some
- 13 of them.
- Q. Now, let's go to Exhibit C-35(e), which is
- 15 Tab 9 in your binder.
- 16 A. Okay.
- 17 Q. And this is a September 12, 2006 letter from
- 18 INDUEX; correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 O. And what did this letter concern?
- 21 A. INDUEX was the only supplier that we could
- 22 work with for the purpose of buying ties after lesivo

- $\ensuremath{\text{02:}10:}41\ 1$  dedicates to transportation, and we hired them to do
  - 2 the transportation of containers from our Guatemala
  - 3 City yard to our customers' locations and vice versa.
  - 4 They just decided not doing any further business with
  - 5 us. After lesivo was declared, they had concerns
  - 6 about our long-term ability to stay in business.
    - So, we had to hire other truckers, smaller
  - 8 companies. That complicated also our operation
  - 9 because we were dealing--instead of dealing with one
  - 10 supplier, we were dealing with three or four different
  - 11 people, which complicated the coordination of the
  - 12 deliveries, plus it was more expensive. These people
  - 13 didn't have insurance, we had to pay for it, and it
  - 14 also complicated our operation.
  - 15 Q. Is it fair to say that as a result of the
  - 16 Lesivo Declaration all of Ferrovías's major goods and
  - 17 service suppliers either stopped doing business with
  - 18 the company or required any future goods and services
  - 19 be paid for with cash up front?
  - 20 MR. ORTA: I'm sorry. I'm going to object.
  - 21 That assumes facts in evidence--not in evidence,
  - 22 excuse me. He said all of Ferrovías's major suppliers

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- 02:09:12 1 was declared because tie suppliers were a little
  - 2 different. They required besides cash in advance upon
  - 3 delivery, and required cash in advance before
  - 4 delivering the ties because they had to buy the wood
  - 5 and start preparing it, and take a little time.
  - 6 So, at least this company--they always put us
  - 7 in cash in advance for at least they were willing to
  - 8 deliver everything, the full order, upon the payment
  - 9 of this money without asking for an advanced payment,
  - 10 but it was always cash upon advance upon delivery, and
  - 11 it's basically the only company we could work with
  - 12 when lesivo, after lesivo was declared.
  - Q. Now, let's go to Exhibit C-35(f), which is
  - 14 Tab 10, and this is an October 10, 2006, letter, from
  - 15 REINTER, in which it refused to provide further
  - 16 intermodal cargo transportation services to FVG
  - 17 because of the Lesivo Resolution.
  - 18 Could you describe what effect REINTER's
  - 19 decision had on FVG's business.
  - 20 A. REINTERs were our provider of truck
  - 21 transportation for the containers we imported from the
  - 22 port for our customers--REINTER is a company that

02:12:03 1 and customers, and that's not in evidence. We have

- 2 some evidence of some customers but not all, so I
- 3 object to the nature of the question.
- 4 MR. STERN: I'll rephrase.
  - BY MR. STERN:
- 6 Q. Can you describe overall what was the result
- 7 of the Lesivo Resolution with regard to the company's
- 8 business relationship with its major goods and service
  9 suppliers.
- 10 A. Most of the major suppliers cut our credit,
- 11 and they put us in a cash in advance basis, and people
- 12 like REINTER just wouldn't deal with us anymore after
- 13 this. That imposed complications to our operations
- 14 since we were obligated to raise the money first
- 15 before hiring their services. This caused delays, as
- 16 I were explaining. The delays had further effects on
- 17 our customers, and a company like ours, a railroad
- 18 company, cannot operate cash in advance, not in the
- 19 long term, at least.
- Q. Okay. Let's go to Exhibit C-35(d), which is
- 21 Tab 8 in your binder.
- 22 A. Okay.

02:13:39 1 Q. Exhibit C-35(d), it's a September 11, 2006, 2 letter from Banco de la Republica. What does this

3 letter concern?

- A. That was a loan we had requested to develop a parking lot project in one of our station yards, which
- 6 is the Gerona in the City of Guatemala. We were
- 7 denied the credit due to the Lesivo Declaration, so we
- 8 couldn't develop the project, and we lost the
- 9 opportunity of having additional income.
- 10 Q. Did the Lesivo Resolution make it impossible
- 11 for Ferrovías to obtain any loans or other sources of
- 12 credit financing from the banks?
- 13 A. Surely. All banks have similar procedures
- 14 and requirements to grant loans, and this is an
- 15 example of that at the moment we understood that we
- 16 were no--were not subject to credit anymore from the
- 17 banks.
- 18 Q. Okay. Let's talk briefly about how the
- 19 Lesivo Resolution affected FVG's business with its
- 20 existing rail customers. Turn to Exhibit C-34, which
- 21 is Tab 4 in your binder.
- A. Okay.

- 02:16:27 1 just not renovated or renewed at the beginning of the 2 following year. We lost them.
  - Q. Okay. Let's talk a little bit about the new business opportunities that were lost because of the Lesivo Resolution.
  - First, could you just describe--well, did the Lesivo Resolution also cause Ferrovías to lose potential new business?
  - 9 A. Yes. We always had the opportunities of 10 growing in the railroad side and on the real estate 11 side, and we just couldn't keep growing. Our business 12 was destroyed.
  - Q. Okay. Would you just quickly go through,
  - 14 this is a slide that was used in the Opening
  - 15 Statement, just to aid your testimony, just describe
  - 16 briefly what each of these lost opportunities were.
  - 17 A. Okay. Grupo UniSuper is a chain of
  - 18 supermarkets, an important one. They had a plan of
  - 19 setting up new stores in different towns. They were
  - 20 thinking of using our yards. They approached us. We
  - 21 visited them, but after the Lesivo Resolution they
  - 22 just decided not going forward.

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- 02:15:07 1 Q. And this is a September 13, 2006, letter from 02:17:40 1
  - 2 Aimar. Could you tell us what this letter was about?
  - 3 A. This is--Aimar represents one of the largest
  - 4 shipping lines in the world, APL, American President's
  - 5 Line. They were confirming to us that as of the
  - 6 Declaration of lesivo they would start reducing their
  - 7 business and with us, and we started losing customers.
  - 8 That's an example of what happened with them and other
  - 9 customers.
  - 10 Q. Did other existing rail customers reduce
  - 11 their business with Ferrovías after the Lesivo
  - 12 Resolution?
  - 13 A. Yes. The container business was greatly
  - 14 reduced, especially our long-term contracts like the
  - 15 ones which were the ones we were really interested in
  - 16 because we could forecast our sales. We knew in
  - 17 advance we had yearly contracts like all the NGOs
  - 18 working under USAID, Catholic Relief Services, Save
  - 19 the Children, CARE, Share. We had Contracts with all
  - 20 of them. We were the only transportation company in
  - 21 the country of Guatemala that was working with all of
  - 22 the shipping lines, and these long-term contracts were

02:17:40 1 Parking and Office Leases at Gerona. After

- 2 we were turned down by the bank to set up the parking
  - 3 lot, we thought of looking for people to do it, and

- 4 just leasing the property instead of setting up the
- 5 business which would have meant more income for us.
- 6 These are the three people that approached us at that
- 7 time. They showed the interest in doing it, but
- / cime. They showed the interest in doing it, but
- 8 finally we couldn't close any deal because they were
- 9 concerned about making long-term investments in the
- 10 property due to the Lesivo Resolution.
- 11 Retalhuleu Theme Park, that's Mr. Ricardo
- 12 Ralejos (ph.). He has one of the nicest theme parks
- 13 in the South Coast. He's the holder of the second
- 14 largest collection of Star Wars memorabilia in the
- 15 world, and he was interested in developing the
- 16 railroad, the esteemed railroad from his location at
- 17 Retalhuleu to the Champarico (ph.) port, and he just
- 18 was not--he was discouraged to do such investment
- 19 after the Lesivo Resolution.
- 20 Maersk, one of the largest--
- 21 MR. ORTA: I apologize that I'm interrupting
- 22 the answer, but I just want to make sure that I get my

841 843 02:18:52 1 objection on the record. 02:21:17 1 PRESIDENT RIGO: We will attempt it on the Mr. Senn is testifying here as to the reasons 2 record. We obviously have heard both Parties and will 3 that these various different people decided to stop 3 weigh it accordingly. 4 doing business with Ferrovías, you know. I have no In terms of time, just to keep to the 5 idea how he knows that. No foundation has been laid schedule, we are--the 15 minutes are gone now. 6 for that. MR. STERN: If I could just allow, since he And moreover, none of these persons have been was interrupted in the middle of his answer to this, 8 provided to Respondent so that we could question them 8 then if he could finish it, then we would rest. Thank 9 about why, if they actually had an intention to do you. 10 business with RDC Ferrovias going forward, whether the PRESIDENT RIGO SUREDO: All right. Mr. Senn, 10 11 Lesivo Declaration in fact is the reason why they 11 if you could finish your reply. 12 stopped, whether they--what they were told about the 12 THE WITNESS: Thank you, Mr. President. 13 effect of the Lesivo Declaration, and a number of 13 I will just mention quickly Maersk, because 14 other factors that this Tribunal should be given the 14 it's a well-known shipping line, maybe the largest in 15 opportunity to evaluate before you simply accept the 15 the world. They were interested in setting up a 16 declarations here of Mr. Senn about what effect this 16 refrigerated container facility in the station of 17 had on their business. 17 Cicapa (ph.) for fruit export, mainly melon, and they So we would ask that the Tribunal either 18 also decided not moving forward with this. There's 19 strike all of this evidence and not take it into many others, but these are the ones I could mention. 20 consideration or, at a minimum, take into MR. STERN: Thank you, Mr. Senn. You can now 20 21 consideration the, you know, the serious deficiencies answer questions from Mr. Orta. 22 of the evidence, given what I have just said. THE WITNESS: Okay. 844 842 02:22:15 1 02:20:05 1 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Stern? PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you. MR. STERN: Well, first of all, the Tribunal Mr. Orta. 3 has heard from Mr. Spiegeler from GESUR, so you have 3 MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. CROSS-EXAMINATION 4 that testimony here in this hearing room. With regard 5 to Grupo UniSuper, we have submitted two sworn BY MR. ORTA: 6 statements from a representative of the company. You Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Senn. How are you? 7 also have a letter which you have just seen--Fine, thanks. Good afternoon. MR. ORTA: We did ask to cross him, but he I would like to start with a few questions 9 was not produced. 9 regarding the issues about which you just testified on MR. STERN: That is correct, as Respondent 10 direct examination. 11 had several witnesses that are not being produced as You mentioned that Ferrovias, as a result of 11 12 well for cross-examination. 12 the Lesivo Declaration, was denied or that it was made And regarding the other ones, you can place 13 impossible for Ferrovías to obtain credit from any 14 whatever weight you want to on Mr. Senn's testimony. 14 banking institution. Do you remember that? 15 He can certainly describe the basis for his knowledge 15 A. Yes. 16 as to the reason why these individuals decided not to 16 Q. Now, what's been provided in evidence is a 17 letter from one bank, that's C-35(d), Exhibit C-35(d), 17 proceed. I think he was in the process of describing 18 that in his testimony before he was interrupted, but 18 which you were asked about by Mr. Stern. 19 again the Tribunal is certainly able to weigh the Other than this one letter that you've 20 sufficiency or the value of the evidence based on 20 submitted to the Tribunal dated 11 September 2006, do 21 you have evidence of any other banks who denied credit 21 what's been submitted. 22 to Ferrovias after the Lesivo Declaration? (Tribunal conferring.)

845 847 A. This--this bank particularly was the only one 02:26:02 1 Q. Well, I think there's some question about 02:23:26 1 2 who was willing to take our application. We didn't 2 when exactly the paid advertisement went out, but we 3 have the need to request credit before all this 3 know at the latest it was the 4th of September 2006, 4 happened. Our credit, regardless of if it's coming 4 based on what we have in evidence, and my question is: 5 from a bank or from a supplier, we were creditworthy 5 All of these letters that were submitted to you by 6 persons, and the credit we had, like, for example, 6 these customers and suppliers and other things are 7 with our fuel suppliers, was much higher than what we 7 dated after the paid advertisement that Ferrovías put 8 had--than we were requesting with Banco de la 8 in the paper; correct? Save one exception, which is 9 Republica, and we lost it. 9 C-35(a), every other one is dated after that date; So, I think the concerns for granting a 10 correct? 10 11 credit are similar, whether it's fuel supplier or a 11 A. Yes, that's correct. 12 banking institution, we made personal contact, and in MR. STERN: Just for the record, there is one 13 one case, one personal contact and one telephone 13 dated September 4, 2006, the ENASA letter, so... 14 contact with other banking institutions, and I sensed 14 BY MR. ORTA: 15 them, and I asked them would you be willing to Q. And the press release that you issued has a 16 consider a loan, and they say--don't even bother 16 date on it of 28 August 2006; correct? It's R-105. 17 trying it. These people told us that they would 17 We have it up on the screen here. 18 consider it, so that's why we tried it, and we were This is, as you can see, and so that's the 19 turned down. 19 date, August 28, 2006; correct? Q. So, my question remains: Do you have any 20 A. That's correct. 20 21 evidence for the Tribunal of any other bank besides Q. And if we could just move over to the right, 22 Banco de la Republica who--for which you applied 22 please, I just want to highlight something, make it a 846 848 02:24:45 1 credit after lesivo and were denied credit? Do you 02:27:19 1 little--there you go. A little more, all the way. 2 Okay. Could you highlight where it says "paid post" 2 have any such--A. We were verbally denied--3 there. Q. Let me just finish the question just so that This is advertising for which Ferrovías paid 5 we have a clean record. Okay? 5 to be put in the Guatemalan newspapers; correct? Sorry. A. Yes, that's correct. Q. Do you have any other evidence to provide to Q. Okay. And at least this one is dated 8 the Tribunal other than with respect to this bank, 8 September 4, 2006, and it appears as though this one 9 Banco de la Republica, where you were denied credit 9 was published in Prensa Libre, which is one of the 10 based on an application you submitted after the Lesivo 10 most popular newspapers in Guatemala; correct? 11 Declaration? A. That is correct. 11 A. Not in writing. Q. Now, Mr. Senn, I want to ask you about a Q. Okay. Now, I noticed that most of the 13 different topic. If we could go to C-22, which is 14 documents--most of the letters about which you were 14 Contract 402, and highlight, if we can, Clause 13. 15 asked by Mr. Stern are dated--I think the earliest 15 It's my understanding that--16 one, save one that was in August, is on

17 4 September 2000, and all the rest are dated after 18 4 September 2006. This was after the paid

16 MR. STERN: Sorry, David, do you have 17 handouts for the witness? MR. ORTA: Oh, yes, sorry. It should have 19 been. It's the three binder set. I think it's there 20 on the floor. We can have--Camilla, I don't know if 21 you might be able to come up and assist Mr. Senn. While Camilla is looking for the document, we

02:28:54 1 also have it up on the screen, but you can look at it

2 in whichever way you think is most convenient.

3 BY MR. ORTA:

4 Q. And it's my understanding, Mr. Senn, that

5 Ferrovias and RDC are taking the position in this case

6 that you only had an obligation to restore Phase I of

7 the railway restoration project of the five phases,

8 and that you only had an obligation to restore Phases

9 II, III, IV, and V if and when in your own discretion

10 you determined it was economically feasible. Is that

11 the position you're taking?

12 A. No, that is not the position. We had

13 deadlines in each of these phases.

14 Q. Okay, so explain to me what you thought your

15 restoration obligations were.

16 A. We committed to restoring certain segments of

17 the right-of-way to completely or partially, depending

18 on the phase, that's how it was agreed, and there was

19 a deadline for each of them. That's what I

20 understand. That's exactly what the Contract says.

21 Q. And so which ones did you agree to restore

22 completely and which ones did you agree to restore

02:31:50 1 Q. So, is it your contention, is it your

2 company's contention in this case that you only had an

3 obligation to begin restoration in a particular phase

4 and only restore—and only restore the railway for one

5 segment whatever that means, and you weren't required

6 to actually complete the phase? Is that your

7 contention?

A. No, that's not my understanding. My

9 understanding is that, and that's what the Contract

10 states, that we were obliged in some of these phases

11 to start rehabilitation and then provide service in a

12 portion of it that we had a deadline for it.

This is a 50-year contract, and the

14 Government and us agreed to certain minimum

15 restoration work in different parts of the

16 right-of-way, during the first 15 years which is where

17 this phase is applied. We could have done more upon

18 needed, not less, more, and there is even a portion of

19 the right-of-way that's not even mentioned here, not

20 that we don't have it and that we don't have the right

21 to do something with it, but these were the minimums

22 that we agreed that should be carried out.

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02:30:21 1 partially?

A. I would need to read. I understand that

3 Phase I was agreed to restore completely, and the rest

4 I would need to read the phases, if I'm allowed here.

Q. Okay. So, I'm pointing you now to

6 Clause 13--and if we could highlight, Kelby, if you

7 can, as much of Clause 13 as you can, I think you

8 should be able to get most of it in there up on the

9 screen. At least get through Phase IV. There we go.

10 Now, I submit to you that every one of the

11 restoration phases has similar language. They each

12 refer to the restoration of segment whatever it is,

13 Phase I, Phase II, Phase IV--

14 A. Okay.

15 O. --it says, "shall begin within a certain

16 period of time," and they each have

17 different--different dates, and then it says, "railway

18 cargo transportation referred to in that phase shall

19 be offered at least in one segment within a six-month

20 term as of the date phase whatever it is begins, and

21 they all have the same--they repeat the same verbiage.

2 A. Okay.

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02:33:19 1 Q. Do you agree that your company had an 2 obligation to, once you started restoring a phase, to

3 continue and finish the restoration of that phase?

A. It was our decision depending on if it was

5 needed or not. This was a business. We were not just

6 going to spend money burying it on the ground if it

7 was not needed. We committed, and the Government

8 agreed to it, it was a mutual agreement, that we'd

9 comply restoring and providing service. Phase I was

10 for the entire length of it, and the other phases

11 there was a deadline in which we had to comply with a

12 minimum, and that's what it states.

13 Q. But the language regarding Phase I is the

14 same as the language regarding Phase II, III, IV, and

15 V. They all say that you are to begin restoration by

16 a certain date and that you are to begin

17 transportation services within a six-month term from

18 when you were required to begin restoration. They all

19 say the same thing?

20 A. Exactly.

Q. So, is it--but it was your understanding that

22 as to Phase I, you had to restore the whole thing, but

02:34:38 1 as to the other phases you didn't?

- A. That's what it says.
- Q. Well, the Tribunal can judge, I guess, on
- 4 their own what it says, but it seems to me they all
- 5 say the same thing. They all--in other words, Phase
- 6 I--if your understanding was you had to complete Phase
- 7 I based on the language, then I would assume your
- 8 understanding or should be the same as to Phases II,
- 9 III, IV, and V because they all use the same verbiage?
- A. What's your question?
- Q. Really, I'm trying to understand here is 11
- 12 Guatemala put out a bid to have their railway restored
- 13 and modernized, and I'm trying to understand, is it
- 14 the company's position that it could, for example,
- 15 begin restoration for a mile of, let's say, 80 miles
- 16 that would constitute a phase, and so long as it
- 17 restored the track and had rail transport for that
- 18 mile, then it completed its contractual obligations
- 19 under the Agreement. Is that your position?
- A. Its obligation to fulfill that requirement 20
- 21 within those deadlines, yes. We could do more, and we
- 22 could have--that's why we had 50 years. But what we

- 02:37:13 1 acceptable that Guatemala, in your estimation, would 2 not have a nationwide railway; correct?
  - A. We were devoted to restore as much as we can,
  - 4 but the phases only mean that we were required to do
  - 5 so much within the first 15 years, and there were no
  - 6 deadlines for whatever we wanted to do after that.
  - 0. Okav.
  - A. That's--
  - Q. Do you have an understanding that if you
  - 10 didn't carry out restoration of a particular phase
  - 11 that you were obligated to restore, the lands that
  - 12 were given to you to carry out restoration in that
  - 13 phase to FEGUA?

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- A. If it was mutually agreed, yes.
- Q. Well, what if--let's go to Clause 16. Forget
- 16 about whether it was mutually agreed or not. If you
- 17 failed to carry out restoration of a particular phase,
- 18 weren't you required under this Contract to return the
- 19 land to FEGUA?
- A. I would need to read that clause to properly 20
- 21 respond your question.
- Q. Okay. I turn your attention, then, to Clause

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02:35:56 1 were getting was a right-of-way, basically. We had to 02:38:25 1 16(2)--just highlight the whole clause.

- 2 set up the tracks, so we had to be very careful how we
  - 3 spent and invested our money because--and that's why
  - 4 it was agreed that way, I understand, because you
  - 5 cannot just make the investments without knowing if
  - 6 you--if the company will be having the business as
  - 7 expected. These are very large investments.
  - And I understand that's why it was
  - 9 negotiated. We were not--the intention was just not
  - 10 to do a mile and then--I mean, all of this had to be
  - 11 agreed mutually, and in order to accomplish these
  - 12 phases, we couldn't just report it to the Government.
  - 13 We had to have their acknowledgement and approval, and
  - 14 we have it.
  - Q. And the Tribunal's going to hear from the
  - 16 Overseer at the time, who has, I think, a different
  - 17 viewpoint about this, but I'm just again focusing on
  - 18 your understanding.
  - So, based on your understanding of the way
  - 20 this--of what your obligations were or the company's
  - 21 obligations were under this Contract, at the end of
  - 22 the 50 years of the Contract, it was perfectly

- A. Sixteen you said; right?
- Q. Yes, sir.
- MR. ORTA: And just for the record, this is
- 5 Clause 16 of Contract 402, which is Exhibit C-22, in
- 6 English titled "Penalties."
  - (Witness reviews document.)
  - A. Okay, I read it.
- Q. Okay. So, is it your understanding that you
- 10 were required to surrender back to FEGUA the lands in
- 11 which you did not restore rail service?
- A. In which we didn't rehabilitate and provided
- 13 service, and this has to be in accordance to the
- 14 requirements of each phase.
- Q. Right. So, if you did not carry out and
- 16 restore service in a particular phase, then you had to
- 17 return the lands to FEGUA; correct?
- A. Yes, correct.
- Q. All right. Now, let me ask you a little bit
- 20 about Phase II. Let's put up C-61.
- I understand you've argued in this case that
- 22 you completed your obligations to restore Phase II; is

859 857 02:40:03 1 that your contention? 02:42:16 1 A. Other customers.

When I say, "your," by the way, I'm talking 3 about the company. I don't mean you personally.

A. Yes.

O. Is that FVG's contention?

A. Yes.

Q. The answer is yes?

A. Yes.

Q. Okay. Let's--and I understand that this

10 document is what you put up as the evidence, I

11 believe, to support that conclusion.

Before we get into what the document says, I

13 have a question for you about what exactly was done in

14 Phase II.

It's my understanding that in Phase II your 16 company laid down some track--and you could correct me

17 if I'm wrong--laid down some track so that the train

18 that operates in Mexico can enter Guatemala territory,

19 unload cargo, and leave Guatemala territory. Is that

20 the extent of the restoration that was done in Phase

21 II?

A. At that time, yes.

Q. Does RDC/Ferrovías Guatemala actually operate 3 a train in Phase II, as we speak?

No, we had a deal with the Mexican train.

So, the Mexican train comes in, unloads

6 cargo, and leaves?

Α. Yes.

Q. And it's your contention that that satisfied 9 your restoration obligations under Phase II?

A. Yes, because it was acknowledged by FEGUA.

Q. And is it also your contention that as a

12 result of that, you can keep and exploit the rest of

13 the land in Phase II from now until the end of the

14 50-year Usufruct however you like in accordance with

15 the Contract?

A. We could--we met the deadline to rehabilitate

17 minimums, and the Government accepted it, and we were

18 looking to rehabilitate more after that. It's not

19 that I am--I mean, it's a 50-year contract. The idea

20 would have been from the beginning, if it was

21 convenient, for the company and for the customers to

22 do more, we would have done it, and that's exactly

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Q. When you say, "at that time," has there been 02:41:09 1

2 more restoration that has been done to Phase II?

A. You're referring to this letter. This letter

4 is the approval of what was done upon the reaching the

5 deadline.

Q. No, no, I said before we get to the letter?

Q. Before we get to the letter--

A. Sorry, I was given the letter. 9

Q. That's okay. 10

My question is: What actual restoration has 11

12 been done by the company for Phase II? And as I said,

13 my understanding is that some track was laid down--

14 A. It was rehabilitated--

Q. --in the--or rehabilitated along the border

16 between Guatemala and Mexico so that the Mexican train

17 can enter into Guatemalan territory, unload cargo, and

18 go back to Mexico: is that correct?

A. Yes, but we did more. There were other 10

20 miles, maybe, of track rehabilitated into the

21 Guatemalan territory to serve other customers.

Q. To serve, I'm sorry?

02:43:34 1 what we always considered regarding the South Coast.

Q. Right. And I understand--and there has been

3 much evidence about the fact that there were plans to

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4 restore the railway to the South Coast, which is part

5 of Phase II--

A. Yes.

Q. --but my question is: Is it your contention

8 today in this case, that whether or not those plans to

9 restore the South Coast were successful or not that

10 the company could keep all of that land and continue

11 to use it for real estate purposes and others, even

12 though there would will be no RDC/Ferrovías train

13 operating on that track--

A. Well--14

--or in that land.

16 A. Well, the Contract doesn't state anything

17 different.

Q. So, is that your contention?

19 A. Yes.

Q. Okay. Put up C-62.

Now, with respect to Phase III, the company

22 Ferrovías/RDC--and RDC, or RDC I should say, in this

- 02:44:54 1 case, has submitted this document, which is C-62--this 02:47:22 1
  - 2 is a translation of it--and in this document--well.
  - 3 first of all, your contention is that or--what is your
  - 4 contention with respect to Phase III? Have you
  - 5 completed it? Do you have an obligation to complete
  - 6 it?
  - A. We had the obligation under the Contract, in
  - 8 the same way the Government had the obligation to
  - 9 provide us with the right-of-way. After submitting
  - 10 technical Reports and information to the Government of
  - 11 the impossibility of doing it without the
  - 12 right-of-way, we could not rehabilitate the
  - 13 right-of-way if it never existed such amongst other
  - 14 concerns. We were waived from the responsibility of
  - 15 complying with that phase in that specific date.
  - Q. Okay. And so is it the company's contention
  - 17 that it was not then going to restore, do any
  - 18 restoration in Phase III?
  - A. Not at this date.
  - Q. Or ever? 20
  - A. No. The letter states here that, therefore,
  - 22 it's imperative for both companies to keep constant

- Okay. And what about Phase IV and V?
  - That's different.
  - Q. Well, when would your obligation to return
  - 4 that land be triggered under the Contract based on
  - 5 your understanding? Because as I understand it, the
  - 6 company has said that they had no intention of
  - 7 restoring Phases IV and V.
    - MR. STERN: Objection.
  - 9 THE WITNESS: That's not my understanding.
  - MR. STERN: That's a statement by Mr. Orta. 10
  - 11 That's not the evidence in the record, so I object.
  - BY MR. ORTA:
  - Q. Well, as to Phase IV, you were supposed to
  - 14 have started restoration in 2007.
  - Α. Yes--
  - 16 0. And here we are in 2011.
  - A. I'm sorry, we have been discussing different
  - 18 things here. I need to understand your question right

  - Q. So, do you agree at this point you're 20
  - 21 obligated to restore the lands from Phase IV to FEGUA?

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A. And that is--I would like to--

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- 02:46:22 1 communication in order to determine the commercial
  - 2 feasibility of Phase III in the future. That's
  - 3 obviously refers to the length of the Contract.
  - Q. So, in your view, when would your obligation
  - 5 to surrender the lands in relation to Phase III back
  - 6 to FEGUA, when would that be triggered?
  - A. Never. There was no land. There was no
  - 8 land.
  - What land are you referring to? That's
  - 10 exactly the problem. There was no land. What is your
  - 11 question referring to? The land under Phase III?
  - 12 There was no FEGUA land that was not given to us, so I
  - 13 don't understand your question.
  - 14 Q. So, it's your contention that all of the land
  - 15 that was given in relation to Phase III was actually
  - 16 land not owned by FEGUA? That's your point?
  - A. That was part--that was exactly the problem. 17
  - 18 There was no land.
  - Q. Okay. So, as we sit here today, you don't
  - 20 have any rights in any of the land with respect to
  - 21 Phase III?
  - A. No, we don't.

- 02:48:39 1 O. Phase IV under Clause 13 should have 2 initiated in 2007.
  - A. I just need to remind what portion of the 4 right-of-way that refers to.
  - Q. And I think my question may have been a bit 6 inaccurate.
  - Do you agree that at this point you're
  - 8 obligated to surrender or return those lands to FEGUA,
  - 9 having not complied with the obligation to restore
  - 10 railway service in that territory four years after the
  - 11 Agreement took place?
  - A. I would just like to know exactly here what
  - 13 portion of that land is because I believe that has
  - 14 already been complied with--I mean, the obligation.
  - Q. Phase IV? You're contending here that you've
  - 16 actually restored rail service in Phase IV?
    - A. Yes. I need to confirm it.
  - (Witness reviews document.) 18
  - Q. RDC has said in this case, sir, that they
  - 20 have not initiated restoration in Phase IV, and that
  - 21 they--so, is it your contention it's to the contrary?
  - A. No, I would just like to make a comment here

02:50:36 1 regarding that portion. It says that this clause only 02:53:11 1

- $\ensuremath{\mathtt{2}}$  states the phases without indicating which portion of
- 3 the--
- 4 Q. But, sir, you're the General Manager. You
- 5 obviously know what has started, where restoration has
- 6 had--
- 7 A. There is a phase--
- 8 Q. --sir, you're cutting me off. Let me just
- 9 get the question out because otherwise we're going to
- 10 talk over each other.
- 11 A. Sorry.
- 12 Q. You don't really need to read the Contract.
- 13 (Discussion off the record.)
- 14 O. You don't need to read the Contract to know
- 15 whether you've restored Phase IV or not. You are the
- 16 General Manager of Ferrovías. You know that you
- 17 haven't done that.
- 18 A. I know we had restored or rehabilitated in
- 19 advance a portion of that track segment because--and
- 20 that's the portion that runs from the Central Station
- 21 towards the South Coast, and we rehabilitated five
- 22 miles in that portion in advance of the deadline

- ::53:11 1 A. I'm familiar with a proposal he presented.
  - Q. Okay. Let me direct you to C-100, which is an e-mail that you write in relation to that proposal.
  - 4 C-100. That's the wrong document. C-100.
  - And, for the record, this is an e-mail, sir,
  - 6 that you wrote to Henry Posner on April 6, 2005, with
  - 7 a copy to Bill Duggan and Bob Pietrandrea.
    - A. Correct.
  - 9 Q. Now, in this document, you are referring to a
  - 10 call you got--you were reporting on a call that you
  - 11 received from Mr. Héctor--is this Héctor Pinto?
    - 2 A. Yes
  - 13 Q. And in it you're reporting that Mr. Pinto
  - 14 called you to say that, regardless of what Ferrovias
  - 15 decides about signing this document--and just so that
  - 16 we're clear, the document you're referring to there is
  - 17 the proposal that you had received from Mr. Pinto
  - 18 Desarrollos G?
  - 19 A. That's correct.
  - 20 Q. And so he says to you, "Regardless of what we
  - 21 decide about signing that proposal, it can't be
  - 22 signed--it cannot be signed now, maybe later, because

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- 02:51:44 1 expiring. That's what I wanted to say.
  - 2 0. And have you restored train service there?
  - A. We had train service there. Until we
  - 4 had--until we were forced to stop operations.
  - 5 Q. Okay. So, do you agree now that you should
  - 6 surrender that land back to Guatemala?
  - 7 A. We met the deadline.
  - Q. So, it's yours for the rest of the 50 years?
  - 9 That's your contention?
  - 10 A. Under the terms of the Contract, yes.
    - Q. Okay. All right, let's turn to a different
  - 12 topic. You--your clients--your company, pardon--has
  - 13 made certain allegations regarding what has been
  - 14 alleged in this case to be some conspiracy to benefit
  - 15 Mr. Ramon Campollo by taking away your concession
  - 16 through the Lesivo Declaration.
  - 17 We've had some discussion about an alleged
  - 18 threat that was made by Mr. Pinto at a meeting in
  - 19 March of 2005. I would like to--I'm sorry, as well as
  - 20 an Option Agreement that was sent by Mr. Pinto to your
  - 21 company. You're familiar with that Option Agreement;
  - 22 correct?

- 02:54:41 1 of some illegalities in our Contract."
  - 2 Do you see that?
    - A. Yes, I see it.
  - 4 Q. Okay. So, Mr. Pinto called you on the 5th of
  - 5 April to report that to you; is that correct?
  - 6 A. That is correct.
  - 7 Q. And he said he wanted to stop by to see you
  - 8 on that very day, the 6th of April, to let you know
  - 9 the legal point of view of the Ministry regarding your
  - 10 Contract; is that correct?
  - 11 A. Yes.
  - 12 Q. And he further said to you that he wanted to
  - 13 see if he could help or if you could reach agreement
  - 14 with him to try to work out these illegalities; is
  - 15 that correct?
  - 16 A. I need to read that part.
  - 17 (Witness reviews document.)
  - 18 Q. It says if--he said he would like to stop by
  - 19 today and let us know what is the legal point of view
  - 20 of the Ministry regarding our Contract and that if we
  - 21 both reach an agreement, maybe we could work out
  - 22 together these illegalities.

871 869 A. Okay, yes. That's what I report. 02:57:59 1 A. We had already made a proposal, and that is 02:55:49 1 2 that we invited Mr. Campollo to join our company as a Q. Okay. He also asked you to have your lawyer 3 there, Pedro, Pedro Mendoza? 3 partner. Then Héctor came with this different 4 proposal, and he started, as you said, pointing out A. Yes. 0. Is that correct? 5 some illegalities, and as I said here, I was curious A. That's correct. 6 to hear about those illegalities. Q. Okay. And you said that you were curious to Q. My question was whether you made a 8 see what he had to say. counterproposal. That's the question. A. That's your question, okay. I'm responding 9 A. Yes. Q. And that you had invited the new lawyer who 10 it--10 11 was handling the arbitration-is that the arbitration 11 Q. It's a yes or no. Did you make a 12 that you were at that point putting together to file 12 counterproposal? 13 against FEGUA? A. No, I need to explain it. I need to explain A. The local arbitration, yes. 14 14 it. Q. I mean, it wasn't filed by them. They were We couldn't make a counterproposal to--I 16 filed in June; right? So, at this point you're 16 mean, he's mixing things here. I understand that 17 putting that arbitration together? 17 that's the question you asked, but the thing is that A. That's correct. 18 he called, saying that there were some illegalities in 19 Q. And so did that meeting take place? Did 19 our Contract and that he wants a counterproposal. 20 Mr. Pinto actually come by on the 6th of April to see I felt that he was telling us, threatening us 20 21 you? 21 about having some illegalities in our Contract, which 22 he never mentioned, not even at that meeting. He 22 A. We had a -- not that day. Not that day. I 872 870 02:56:39 1 remember we had a meeting after this at Pedro's 02:59:12 1 never mentioned them. Q. Did you make a counterproposal, sir? Can you 2 office. O. Is that the one where Mr. Louis Fuxet 3 answer that question? 4 appeared? A. We--our lawyers explained to him at that

- A. I believe so, yes.
- Q. Okay. All right. So, we've already had some
- 7 testimony about that meeting. I want to ask you a
- 8 little bit more about this e-mail, though. If we go a
- 9 little bit further down beginning with, "But after
- 10 all, " it says: "But after all, Héctor asked me to
- 11 make a counter proposal if we didn't like the document
- 12 they submitted."
- And again, this is the -- when you say document
- 14 there, you're referring to the proposal between
- 15 Desarrollos G and Ferrovías?
- 16 A. Let me take this copy out of here.
- 17 Yes.
- Q. Is that correct? So, Mr. Pinto had asked you
- 19 to make a counterproposal in relation to that proposal
- 20 that we have seen here from Desarrollos G?
- A. Yes. 21
- Q. Did you make a counterproposal?

- 5 meeting that it was not possible to agree to this
- 6 document because this--his proposal had some
- 7 illegalities, so that's why we didn't counter-propose 8 to it.
- Okay. So, you did not counter-propose? 0.
- 10 Α. No, because it was proposing illegal things 11 here.
- Q. Now, you said that you had offered to
- 13 Mr. Campollo to be an equity partner in Ferrovías.
- 14 Did you present him with any Business Plan associated
- 15 with that offer?
- A. No. When he said that he was interested, we
- 17 told him that we would consider it because he never
- 18 really said he was interested in buying the company;
- 19 right? He said he was interested in having some
- 20 control of the company, so we thought that the right
- 21 thing to do was to offer him and open the door for a
- 22 partnership.

And during that meeting or one of meetings we 03:02:29 1 don't want to fight him." 03:00:18 1

- 2 had with him, he clearly said that he was something
- 3 like a lone wolf and that he didn't like partners, so
- 4 why should we present him with a proposal.
- Q. All right. You did not present him with a
- 6 business plan, then?
- A. No, we did not.
- Q. Did you ever present him with any financials
- 9 for the company, Ferrovías?
- A. No, we presented him with plenty of
- 11 information regarding the company.
- O. When did you do that? 12
- 13 A. It was through Héctor Pinto after we
- 14 had--after and before we had meetings with
- 15 Mr. Campollo.
- Q. The only meeting you ever had with
- 17 Mr. Campollo was in April 2001, right, directly with
- 18 Mr. Campollo?
- 19 A. April 2001?
- Q. Yes. 20
- A. I was not even working at the company.
- Q. Did you ever have any meeting directly with

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- Do you see that?
- A. Yes, I see it.
- Q. Okay. So, a couple of questions about that.
  - First of all, after this was written in
- 6 April 2005, I take it from your testimony then you
- 7 never addressed anything directly with
- 8 Mr. Campollo--is that correct?--in terms of in-person
- 9 discussions with him.
- A. No, it was all made through Héctor Pinto.
- Q. Okay. And did you ever receive a letter from
- 12 Mr. Campollo telling you that Mr. Pinto was authorized
- 13 to act on his behalf?
  - A. No, but it was pretty obvious.
- O. It was obvious--
- 16 That he worked for him, and that he was--
- Q. But did you--I understand that you believe he 17
- 18 worked for him, you understood he worked for him, but
- 19 did you ever receive a written communication from
- 20 Mr. Campollo to let you know that Mr. Pinto was
- 21 authorized to deal on his behalf in relation to the
- 22 discussions you were having with him?

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03:01:06 1 Mr. Campollo, then?

- A. Twice.
- O. The one--which one? When?
- A. Well, we met in December 2004 in Miami, and
- 5 then we had a further meeting in January in Guatemala.
- Q. You were at the December 2004 meeting?
- A. In Miami, yes.
- Q. Okay. And other than that meeting, when was
- 9 the other meeting?
- A. We had another meeting at his office in
- 11 Guatemala early in 2005. I believe it was January.
- Q. Okay. In your e-mail, a little further on,
- 13 when you talk about potentially making a
- 14 counterproposal, you say: "This has to be addressed
- 15 directly to Ramon and no one else to avoid failing in
- 16 his misunderstandings game."
- Do you see that? 17
- A. Yes.
- Q. And a little further down you say: "Let's
- 20 face it, Ramon will never express personally his full
- 21 intention of taking over our company without putting
- 22 any money down. He doesn't like partners, and we

03:03:33 1 A. I didn't need that to accept Mr. Pinto's

2 proposals and comments regarding him being authorized

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- 3 by Mr. Campollo. I was sharing information with him
- 4 because we were seriously considering doing something
- 5 with them. I shared the information with Héctor
- 6 regarding our leases, our contracts, and many other
- 7 kind of private information of the company. And when
- 8 we had the meetings with Mr. Campollo, he was aware of
- 9 it, so it was obvious that he was reporting with him
- 10 and he was--I mean, he set up the meetings with Ramon
- 11 in Miami and in Guatemala, so why should I doubt that.
- 12 I mean, it was obvious--
- Q. When you say he was aware of it, were you
- 14 talking about Mr. Campollo was aware that you were
- 15 meeting with Mr. Pinto?
- 16 A. Both. Mr. Pinto and Mr. Campollo--
  - How do you know that Mr. Campollo knew about
- 18 the meetings you were having with Mr. Pinto? Did you
- 19 ever speak to Mr. Campollo about that?
- Α. 20 Yes.

- 21 When?
- A. At the meeting in Miami and in Guatemala. He

03:04:33 1 was already aware of many things I had discussed only  $\left|\text{03:06:57 1}\right|$ 

- 2 and disclosed to Hector.
- 3 Q. The meeting that you mentioned is
- 4 December 2004 in Miami; correct.
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. And the other meeting in Guatemala was when?
- 7 A. Early 2005, maybe January.
- 8 Q. Okay. So, after those meetings, did you ever
- 9 have any communication with Mr. Campollo wherein he
- 10 said to you, it's okay for you for Héctor Pinto or
- 11 Héctor Pinto's authorized to have discussions with you
- 12 on my behalf in relation to any potential business
- 13 regarding the railway?
- 14 A. I didn't meet with Mr. Campollo after that,
- 15 after those two meetings.
- 16 Q. Okay. Let's go to R-173, please.
- 17 Do you recall receiving this letter from
- 18 Mr. Campollo dated April 15, 2005?
- 19 A. Yes, I recall.
- 20 Q. Okay. And in it, Mr. Campollo says to you
- 21 that--he says: "I have decided not to participate in
- 22 the railway project that was presented to me in

- 03:06:57 1 For the record, R-174 is your letter
  - 2 responding to Mr. Campollo's letter; correct?
    - A. Give me a second, please.
    - (Witness reviews document.)
  - 5 Q. It's up on the screen, sir.
  - 6 A. Okav.
  - Q. Do you see it there? It's dated April 18,
  - 8 2005.
  - 9 A. Yes.
  - 10 Q. And in it you say, "I hereby acknowledge
  - 11 receipt of your correspondence dated past April 15."
  - 12 Correct?
  - 13 A. Correct.
  - 14 O. "In which you inform us of your decision not
  - 15 to participate in the railway project that was
  - 16 presented to you in Miami by our company." Correct?
  - 17 A. Correct.
  - 18 Q. You also say that it was your understanding
  - 19 and that of Mr. Duggan's is that there was a mutual
  - 20 interest in jointly developing the southern coast
  - 21 railroad span following the initial approach we had
  - 22 several months ago from Héctor Pinto. Correct?

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03:05:55 1 Miami." Correct?

- 2 A. Correct.
- 3 Q. "By certain officers of your company"--by
- 4 certain officers of the company you represent."
- 5 Correct?
- 6 A. That's correct.
- 7 Q. So, he tells you here that he wants no
- 8 further participation in the railway project that
- 9 Ferrovías presented to him in Miami; correct?
- 10 A. That's correct.
- 11 O. And the reason he gives is he says that his
- 12 participation in other businesses and the time that he
- 13 has to spend on them would not allow him the necessary
- 14 effort required to make whatever project was presented
- 15 to him a reality; right?
- 16 A. That's what the letter says.
- 17 Q. Okay. And that's what he told you in this
- 18 letter?
- 19 A. Yes. He was not interested in becoming our
- 20 partner. He said he was not interested in what we
- 21 proposed in Miami.
- Q. Now, let's look at R-174, please.

03:08:15 1 A. That's correct.

Q. And that's the business opportunity that

- 3 you're referring to, the mutual interest in jointly
- 4 developing the southern coast railroad development
- 5 span?
- 6 A. Yes. Ramon was interested in doing something
- 7 in the South Coast. That was made clear to us through
- 8 Héctor, and then he confirmed it during our meeting.
- 9 We told him that we had--could open the doors for him
- 10 and consider him as a partner.
- 11 Q. It says mutual interest. It doesn't say just
- 12 an interest by Mr. Campollo. FVG had an interest in
- 13 developing the South Coast, too, didn't they?
- 14 A. Of course.
- 15 Q. All right. And the very last paragraph you
- 16 sign off by saying: "Regardless of the absence of
- 17 successful communication at the meetings we held with
- 18 you and other executives of your business group on
- 19 several occasions, we regret your decision and
- 20 understand your reasons."
- 21 That's what you said to him?
- 22 A. That's what I said.

881 883 Q. Okay. And this is after supposedly he had MR. ORTA: The Tribunal has already seen it. 03:09:10 1 03:11:35 1 2 made a number of threats to take your company; MR. STERN: I object that you're misstating 3 the evidence. The word compensation doesn't move on--3 correct? A. Well, he presented us with that Desarrollos G MR. ORTA: I'm going to go ahead and move on 5 offer under conditions that were not just not because I think the Tribunal has already seen it, and 6 I prefer not to waste the Tribunal's time on this. acceptable. Q. And is that--when you're saying in this case BY MR. ORTA: 8 that there was a threat by Mr. Campollo to take the Q. After--well, I'm sorry, before we leave this, 9 company, you're referring to that Desarrollos G 9 is there any particular reason you don't make any 10 proposal? 10 mention of threats in your letter to Mr. Campollo? A. Well, I was just trying to be kind in my A. It was a threat because Héctor clearly said 11 12 it. He didn't like it that we rejected it. He was 12 response. His letter was in the same line of 13 not presenting any monetary contribution to the 13 kindness, and I say, okay, if you're not interested, 14 company. He was just saying I want your rights, and I 14 well, we're not interested, either, and I was thanking 15 will help you solve your problems with the Government, 15 him for both mutual interest. There was no sense in 16 and, so how money are you willing to put down, and 16 leaving the conversation in bad terms, and that would 17 he--that's the proposal we made to him. We asked him 17 have certainly leave us in bad terms. He knew what he 18 to become a partner putting money down. What he 18 had proposed us. We knew about it. We didn't like 19 proposed is having the rights, our rights, which, by 19 it. He knew we didn't like it, so if he said he was 20 the way, was also illegal, as our lawyers explained 20 not interested, well, we weren't interested, either, 21 earlier, without contributing with any money to the 21 so that's how we left it. 22 partnership. Q. And why would you be kind to somebody who was 884 882 Q. Well, do you recall--and I'm not going to put 03:12:41 1 threatening to take away your business? 03:10:27 1 2 it up on the screen for sake of time because the A. Because he was retreating. If there was no 3 Tribunal's already seen it, but do you recall that in 3 sense in keep fighting. I mean, he said--okay. I 4 that Desarrollos G proposal there was--it talked about 4 mean, he tried, and he--he tried, and he couldn't get 5 the possibility sharing in business opportunities 5 to us accept that, so why should I be harsh about his 6 regarding the Usufruct and that there would be future 6 threat. I mean, he wasn't threatening to do something 7 negotiations about any monies to be paid to Ferrovías against me personally. 8 and what the terms would be of any such future I mean, he tried. He said he wanted many 9 business opportunities? Do you recall that? 9 things without any monetary compensation, and then A. I remember the general terms of his proposal, 10 he--when he was made--when it was made obvious at that 11 wanting all of our rights through first options 11 last meeting and when we even told his representatives 12 without any economic compensation. 12 that what he proposing was illegal, maybe he felt Q. Well, the Agreement referred to that the 13 embarrassed, and he just wrote the kind letter, so I 14 issue of economic compensation would be negotiated in 14 responded in the same terms. 15 the future, didn't it? Q. All right. Now, I would like to take you now MR. STERN: Objection. He should be shown 16 to the day before the Lesivo Declaration was 16 17 the document before he's asked questions about it. 17 published. Actually two days before. You recall you MR. ORTA: I've asked for his recollection. 18 attended a meeting at the Office of the President? 19 I'm not going to show him the document because I want A. Yes, I recall it. Q. And in your Declaration--bear with me--you 20 to move on. 20 MR. STERN: Well, then I object that he's 21 say--while I'm looking for it--you say in your 22 misstating the evidence. 22 Declaration that there was--while you were giving a

885 887 03:14:07 1 presentation, the President asked you whether there 03:16:16 1 did mention some of the businesses in which Ramon is 2 had been any joint ventures with any companies for the 2 involved, and he did mention also something about 3 Southern Coast. Do you recall that? 3 Santa Lucia, which is where Ramon had his interests--A. I don't remember exactly, but... O. He mentioned that at that meeting? Do you remember that? Do you remember that A. It became obvious that what he said 6 that--were many things said. He was referring to the 6 meeting? A. I remember attending the meeting, yes. 7 area where Ramon has his interests, and to the Q. Okay. And do you remember that during that 8 businesses in which he has been engaged, but he did 9 meeting the President asked you about possible 9 not say it openly. It was my interpretation. 10 proposals? Q. You didn't say any of that in your A. He must have. 11 Declaration, sir. You didn't say anything about him 11 12 mentioning businesses owned by Ramon Campollo in your Q. Okay. It's First Declaration, Paragraph 38. 12 13 A. You mean my statement? 13 Declaration, did you? You say the President said; the 0. Yep. 14 only statement you attribute to the President is that 14 We're going to put it up on the board for 15 15 he said whether there had been any joint ventures 16 between FVG and potential investors. That's what you 16 you. 17 attributed to the President in your Declaration. 17 A. Okay. Q. In there you say, when I began a A. Yes. 19 present--first of all, you're talking about the Q. You didn't say anything about this other 20 meeting on 23 August 2006, at the Presidential palace. 20 stuff that you just mentioned about him mentioning 21 You say Mr. Aitkenhead was there and a number other 21 businesses owned by Ramon Campollo, did you? 22 people, including the President and yourself. A. No, he mentioned the products that should be

self. 22 A. N

886 A. Excuse me, what's the paragraph number? 03:15:12 1 Q. Thirty-eight, sir. A. Okay, thank you. Q. Pages 10 and 11, and in particular I'm 5 focusing on the text on Page 11. You say, when I 6 began a presentation which included FVG's long-term 7 projects with potential joint venture investors, 8 including opening up the South Coast route"--this was 9 part of your presentation--"you said President Berger 10 cut me short asking me, "whether there had been any 11 joint venture between FVG and potential investors so 12 far." That's what you remember the President 14 saying; right?

19 A. Yes.
20 Q. Okay. Did the President use Ramon Campollo's
21 name during that meeting?

17 that potential investors--that the potential voters

18 the President was referring to was Ramon Campollo."

Q. And later on you say: "It was clear to me

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A. Yes.

A. No, I'm not sure he used Ramon's name, but he

03:17:41 1 transported. He mentioned palm oil and sugar, and 2 things, which I know Mr. Campollo is involved in.

Q. So, he mentioned sugar, and because he mentioned the transportation of sugar you thought he meant Ramon Campollo?

A. Not only because of that. We had been having conversations with him about the possibility of doing something together. His son was involved there, so I made that interpretation.

10 Q. Let me take you to C-44.

11 A. Okay.

12 Q. This is the document that has been presented 13 here by counsel for RDC as the settlement document

14 that was presented to you on the 24th of August 2006,

15 and it's been characterized here as a

16 take-it-or-leave-it offer.

17 A. I would even call it a threat. That's what I 18 said during the last time here.

9 Q. You would call it a threat, this document?

A. Yes, sir.

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Q. All right. Isn't it correct, sir, that in this document the Government is highlighting points to

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891 889 03:18:56 1 be negotiated between the Parties? 03:22:14 1 something that they want to negotiate? I mean, they A. No, they are basically making a list of 2 came up with this frivolous thing about lesivo, and we 3 demands that were not related to any of our previous 3 were never told what were the grounds for lesivo. Up 4 meetings or conversations. 4 to this date in which we were given this document, Q. Okay. Let's take a look at the demands the 5 they were--all we were told is that they were going to 6 Government was making per your testimony. Let's 6 declare lesivo, and all of these things here--I mean, highlight Clause 4. C-44, sir. C-44. 7 lesivo of the Equipment Contract, and you see that 8 there's many things here that are not related to that ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: My C-44 is the 9 April 15 letter. 9 contract. Q. Well, it does in Clause 6 talk about--it 10 MR. ORTA: C-44? 10 11 says, "issues to be settled in connection with the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: C-044? 11 12 onerous Usufruct Contract involving railway MR. ORTA: If we can get you another copy of 13 it. I believe it might be that that notebook has an 13 equipment," and Clause A says, "modifications to the 14 Usufruct Contract involving railway equipment in order 14 error. 15 (Pause.) 15 to rectify the terms which are deemed to cause lesion 16 in the interest of the State of Guatemala." MR. ORTA: The print is very small on that 16 And it goes on to reference the Opinions of 17 one, though. 17 18 the Solicitor General's Office, FEGUA, and the Secretary Eizenstat, when you tell me you've 19 got it in front of you, I will resume the questioning. 19 Ministry of Public Finance; correct? BY MR. ORTA: A. Yes, but those documents were never disclosed 20 Q. You said the Government was making demands in 21 to us, and they could have been mentioned here. 22 this document. Let's take a look at Clause 4. And it Q. Well, sir, it's my understanding that at this 890 892 03:23:36 1 meeting you were handed this document and that you 2 the terms of the onerous Usufruct Contract involving 2 said to the participants on behalf of the Government 3 property owned by Ferrocarriles de Guatemala for 3 that you had no authority to negotiate or to agree to 4 rendering railway transportation services." 4 anything at that meeting; isn't that correct? Then it lists a number of issues to be A. If you see this, this involves 6 negotiated; correct? 6 multiplications to the Equipment Contract, to the A. Yes. 7 Trust Fund Contract, and to the Right-of-Way Contract, Q. And this is the language--this is the 8 and those--all of those Contracts were our concession. 9 document where you say the Government was making 9 Those were parts of the Bidding Terms. We were a

03:21:16 1 reads: "Issues to be negotiated in connection with 10 demands? A. Yes. 11 Q. Isn't it the case, sir, that the Government 13 was simply highlighting issues to be negotiated

14 between the Parties?

17 they declared lesivo.

A. Yes, but it doesn't sound right that they're 16 making this as we discussed before, one day before They told us--by this time, they already told 19 us that they were going to declare lesivo. So, if you 20 consider that we had been meeting prior to this, and 21 all of these issues highlighted here were never part 22 of the agenda, why should I consider that this is

10 qualified bidder to participate in that bidding 11 process, and we were awarded the concession, and 12 therefore, we signed these three contracts. They wanted to change all of the--all the 14 Contract, all the conditions. I mean, this had 15 already been negotiated amongst the Parties when the 16 contracts were signed. Why should we on a very short 17 notice because this is not a proposal--I mean, where 18 they put a gun on your head and tell you have to sign 19 this or otherwise we will publish lesividad tomorrow 20 or we will declare it, that is not a proposal. 21 Besides, it involves all of the three contracts. And if you see, if they were claiming that

893 895 03:24:50 1 the problem was the equipment contract, why are they 03:27:05 1 his time--2 mentioning other things here, coincidentally the BY MR. ORTA: 3 things that were on dispute in the local arbitrations? Q. What the document says is that the Government 4 This was a threat. It's very obvious. It's very 4 was proposing to modify the Equipment Contract to 5 obvious, and those alleged claims about illegalities, 5 rectify the terms that caused lesion as set forth in 6 about not having the Presidential approval and not 6 these various Government opinions. That's what it 7 having a bidding process, not even them accept--they 7 says, sir. 8 don't even believe it. They were just excuses, and A. Yes, but they were not attaching those 9 this document is the proof of that. 9 opinions here. Q. Okay. My time is essentially up, but I just And what it is here--can we please 11 want you to answer my question, which was: Did you 11 move--Mr. President, would you indulge me with an 12 tell them you had no authority to enter into this 12 additional minute here to explain this? Can we move 13 agreement and answer one more question, which is: Did 13 it up, please, in the introduction part--up, up, 14 you pick up the phone and call Mr. Posner or call 14 first, second, third page where it refers to Contract 15 Mr. Duggan or Mr. Pietrandrea and say they proposed a 15 143, please. Okay, here. 16 settlement to us, what should I do? Did you do either Q. I would just say if he's going to be allowed 17 of those--did you do those things? 17 to make a statement, then I just want to be able to A. I proposed them--I proposed them that we ask him a follow-up question on it. 19 could meet the next day, that I would need to make PRESIDENT RIGO: He's allowed to answer your 20 this phone call and inform my superiors of this. I 20 question regarding this Contract, and then I'm going 21 would need to have it translated and send them over. 21 to give the floor to the other Party. 22 They're always traveling and they're busy, and they MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. 894 896 03:25:57 1 just said no, it has to be done right now, so I didn't 03:28:01 1 THE WITNESS: Next page, please. 2 agree to it. I didn't think it was right for me to Okay, here. 3 sign something like this under--on certain terms, 3 PRESIDENT RIGO: So, Mr. Senn, if you can 4 really. I don't think it was--4 remember it, just reply to--If you consider all of the procedures THE WITNESS: I would like to read what this 6 involved in a bidding process to get the concession, says because this is what I read when I was at that 7 and this was just like starting all over again in a 7 meeting. I know what you're saying, but I mean we 8 five-, six-page document, that was not right, and they 8 don't have to take things out of context here. This 9 had been, as I said earlier, saying that the 9 is a document of several pages, and I want to remind 10 illegalities under which the grounds for--that they 10 you what this says here regarding Contract 143. It 11 finally said for declaring lesivo were problems with a 11 says here in (c), it says, "In line with the 12 privatization process, Ferrocarriles de Guatemala 12 Presidential approval and with a bidding process, and 13 this document clearly states that they didn't believe 13 FEGUA called private companies to take part in a 14 it. That's not true. Those were the grounds for the 14 public bidding process, to receive in onerous Usufruct 15 claim of lesivo, and these documents here states it is 15 the repair, maintenance, use, and exploitation of the 16 proposing that Contract 143 had a bidding process. I

17 invite you to read it. 18 Q. I've read it, sir. What the document says--19 A. Not in that part--Q. Just bear with me, sir. 20 What the document says is that--21 22 MR. STERN: I object to object. He's passed

16 railway equipment owned by FEGUA. As a result of said 17 process, obviously, the bidding process, compania 18 Desarrollos Ferrovías was awarded onerous Usufruct and 19 as documented by public bid number 143. Why in the 20 world would they be proposing that Contract 143, and 21 they wanted to sign it this way, had a bidding 22 process? Because they knew Contract 143, through

03:29:11 1 Contract 141 did have a bidding process, and they're
2 not mentioning anything about Presidential approval
3 here.

So, I mean, it was clear to me that they didn't believe in those such illegalities, and those were the grounds to declare lesivo so now besides

7 saying that they're demanding other things, so this is 8 clearly a threat.

9 PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you.

10 Mr. Stern.

11 MR. STERN: Thank you.

12 REDIRECT EXAMINATION

13 BY MR. STERN:

Q. Mr. Senn, at this August 24, 2006, meeting, to could you describe for the Tribunal exactly how this

16 offer was presented and what the Government

17 representatives told you with regard to what your

18 options were to avoid the Declaration of lesividad

19 this day, including who told you these things?

20 A. This Government--this document, sorry, was

21 handed to me by Attorney Miriam López. She was here

22 at present at the last hearing. We were in that

03:31:37 1 or we declare lesivo tomorrow. So, that's what 2 happened, they declared lesivo. That's how it 3 happened.

Q. And prior to the August 24 meeting, had the Government ever presented any written proposal to you to resolve any of the issues between the Parties?

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7 A. No

8 Q. And at the August 24, 2006, meeting, did the 9 Government disclose what were the asserted grounds for 10 the pending Declaration of lesividad?

11 A. No, never.

Q. Other than what's stated in Exhibit C-44 and

13 the take-it-or-leave-it proposal, was there any

14 discussion or mention of the Equipment Contracts?

15 MR. ORTA: I'm sorry, I'm going to object to

16 the characterization of the document as a

17 take-it-or-leave-it proposal. Nowhere does it say

18 take-it-or-leave-it. It's not titled that. This is

19 just rhetoric.

20 MR. STERN: I will withdraw the

21 take-or-leave-it characterization.

22 PRESIDENT RIGO: Rephrase the question.

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03:30:14 1 meeting, and we had met already the previous day, and  $\,$  2 we agreed to meet the following day like the last day

3 that we could do it, and we were discussing about this

 ${\bf 4}$   $\,$  and that and all the things that were discussed

5 previously at the meeting with the President.6 And all of a sudden he came out--she came out

7 and pulled out this document, and she raised it in the 8 table and said, "There's a proposal here. Either you

9 sign it or we declare lesivo tomorrow," and she handed

10 it to me, and then she handed additional copies to

11 other members of the meeting room.

12 I read it. I quickly read it, and as I

13 started reading it, I was--I mean, through my mind 14 what was going was--what they wanted to do was take

15 back several things. They wanted to avoid local

16 arbitration. I mean, it looked so much like what they

17 wanted to do with that Desarrollos G proposal, but in

18 a different way, and I told them, I cannot sign this.

19 I was surprised of how they were so obvious in doing

 ${\tt 20}\,\,$  it. We had not been discussing this for the past

21 months, and I said I will need to read it and call my 22 superiors. And she said, no, you either sign it today

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03:32:41 1 MR. STERN: Yes.

BY MR. STERN:

Q. Other than what's stated in Exhibit C-44,

4 which is the proposal the Government presented to you

5 at the August 24, 2006 meeting, was there any

6 discussion or mention of the equipment contracts at

7 the meeting?

A. No, there wasn't.

Q. Did the Government ever present to you,

10 Ferrovías Guatemala, at any point either at this

11 meeting August 24, 2006, or after the Declaration of

12 lesividad a proposal offer to fix the illegalities, in

13 Contracts--the alleged illegalities in Contracts 143

14 and 158 in order to make--to withdraw the Declaration

15 of lesividad?

A. No. They didn't, because they knew there was no such illegalities in my opinion. This were just

18 trying--this document demonstrated that that was not

19 the purpose of declaring lesivo; right? They were

20 trying to obtain other changes in the other contracts

21 that they could not declare lesivo anymore, so they

22 were just using this as a tool, as a threat instrument

901 903 03:33:42 1 to get the other things they were expecting from the 03:36:02 1 The main point in those meetings was not 2 other contracts. There was no such illegalities in 2 really discussing if I gave it to Héctor and he gave 3 Contract 143, nor 41 as they had been saying, and that 3 it to him. We were discussing the business 4 demonstrates it. They never believed they were 4 possibilities; right? So, I mean, we did--it was 5 mentioned, but he never said that he didn't work for 5 illegalities. 6 him or nor that he was not authorized to act on his Q. At the August 24, 2006 meeting did the 7 Government ask that you return the copy of the 7 behalf, and it was pretty obvious that he was because 8 proposal that they had provided to you at the meeting? 8 Mr. Campollo was fully aware of all the information we A. Yes, they did. 9 had presented. Mr. Campollo is a busy businessman, Q. And what did you do? 10 and he was not going to spend time with me and review 10 MR. ORTA: This is not in his witness 11 all this information. He did it through Hector, and 11 12 when we had the meeting, he was already aware of it. 12 statement. None of this is in his Witness Statement. 13 so he's now offering brand-new evidence that we have Q. You were asked some questions about the 14 not ever had--that's never been privy, never been 14 threats that you received from Mr. Pinto during this 15 time period, March, April 2005. Do you recall a 15 produced in this case. 16 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Stern? 16 meeting on March 15, 2005, that you and others had MR. STERN: I think it's important since 17 with Mr. Pinto at the Marriott in Guatemala City? 17 18 Mr. Orta spent so much time trying to characterize A. Yes. It was--we were have that day our board 19 what was going on at the meetings for the Tribunal to 19 meeting, and we decided to have it in a very private 20 get a full understanding of all the facts that 20 place, so it was held in the Presidential Room of the 21 occurred at the meeting so they can truly make a truly 21 Marriott Hotel in Guatemala City. All of our board 22 informed decision as to the facts in this case, and 22 members were there. 902 904 03:34:47 1 that's why I'm asking the question. And before starting our board meeting, we 03:37:22 1 PRESIDENT RIGO: Objection sustained. 2 allowed Mr. Pinto to come in and make his proposal. BY MR. STERN: Q. And what did Mr. Pinto say to you at that Q. All right. Let's look at Exhibit R-173, 4 meeting regarding your discussions with him? A. He was again trying to impose this 5 quickly. 6 Desarrollos G proposal. He was trying to convince us Mr. Orta asked you a lot of questions about 7 what Mr. Campollo said or didn't say in this letter. 7 that that was the best option that we could have Just so it's clear, did Mr. Campollo tell you 8 because he referred to our company as being a sick 9 in this letter, Exhibit R-173, that Mr. Pinto was not 9 dog. That's what he said. He was using it as a 10 authorized to act on his behalf? 10 characterization to mean that we were in trouble, and 11 that whether we needed their help to become a healthy A. No, he's not saying that. 11 Q. Did you ever receive any communication from 12 animal. 13 Mr. Campollo at any point either before or after And he said that they would help us resolve 14 receiving this letter of April 15, 2005, which stated 14 our problems with the Government, which we never 15 that Mr. Campollo--I mean Mr. Pinto--was not 15 understood which one were really until later, and when 16 authorized to act on his behalf when engaging in 16 he was asked how much money were they willing to put 17 discussions with you? 17 down as part of an eventual partnership, which he was A. No. He never did. In fact, when we met in 18 proposing, he said that they were not--that that was 19 Miami during the conversation and then in Guatemala 19 not their proposal. Their proposal didn't state any 20 again, we mentioned that we had provided information 20 economic terms, but that we would look for joint 21 to Héctor, and he claimed being aware of it, and we 21 businesses and this and that. 22 discussed about it. And his proposal further states that if they

905 907 03:39:00 1 found business opportunities, they would invite us to 03:41:29 1 Contract. 2 participate. And I remember very clearly one of our ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: When you came in--when 3 Directors saying, Mr. Pietrandrea, that that didn't 3 did you come with the company? 4 sound right. He was not going to invite us to THE WITNESS: July 2002. 5 participate in businesses of our own company without ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: With respect to 6 putting any money. 6 Contract 41, did it come to your attention when you So, he was told that we weren't certainly not 7 joined the company or somewhat thereafter that 8 interested in his proposal under those terms, and he 8 Contract 41 had been bid but had never gone into legal 9 didn't like it because it was like not the first 9 effect? 10 attempt that he was doing to get us convinced, and he THE WITNESS: When I joined the company, I 11 was pissed off, and he said that they would be getting 11 was made aware, I was made aware, and I think the 12 the company with or without us, and he left. 12 first time it was by FEGUA, that there was something Q. And did he tell you that directly? 13 pending regarding that contract. I mean, that was the A. Yes, he did tell me that. 14 Presidential approval. 14 Q. Let me take you to--ask you a few questions ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And the Presidential 16 about the phases of the railway restoration. 16 approval had not been given, and that's the reason Did FEGUA ever assert that FVG was in breach 17 that 41 didn't go into effect? 18 of its restoration obligations under Phase II and THE WITNESS: It did--it did go into effect. 19 Phase III? 19 It was just an administrative formality that was 20 missing, and my understanding is that we just had to 20 A. No, never. 21 wait until the President signed it. We did have a Q. Did FEGUA ever bring an arbitration claim 22 against FVG for not complying with its restoration 22 letter from the Overseer authorizing us to use the 906 908 03:40:12 1 obligations? 03:42:53 1 equipment while that authorization could be obtained. A. No, of course not--ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And that authorization Q. Let me finish my question. 3 never came? --for Phase II or Phase III. THE WITNESS: No, never. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And based on the Q. Did FEGUA ever assert that it was entitled to 6 Overseer's authorization, notwithstanding that you 7 reclaim any lands or property granted in Usufruct to 7 continued to operate under that contract, or was that 8 FVG because it hadn't completed Phase II or Phase III? 8 then succeeded by 143 and 158? A. That was never brought up to any of our THE WITNESS: We continued to operate under 10 conversations. 10 that contract until we--it was replaced by 143. MR. STERN: I have nothing further. 11 And then a little later they came again to PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you. 12 us, indicating that there was another requirement to 12 13 Mr. Crawford? No? 13 fulfill that they had overlooked that they had to put 14 Secretary Eizenstat. 14 a value to each piece of equipment to comply with a 15 requirement of being able to register the Contract. QUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL 15 16 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: I would like to try to 16 They said that--so then we signed the Amendment 158. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And while 143 and then 17 concentrate some questions initially on the various 17 18 158 were coming into effect, you were continuing to 18 contracts. Were you with FVG and your General Manager's 19 operate under the contracts. 20 position at the time of the letting of Contract 41? 20 THE WITNESS: Yes. THE WITNESS: Yes, I was. No, 41, no, sorry, ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Given the fact that 22 I was not. I thought you were asking the other 22 there hadn't been an executive approval for 41 and

03:44:23 1 that this seemed to be an issue, did Ferrovías, 2 yourself, ever feel that you ought to get that 3 Presidential approval or executive approval so that 4 you wouldn't have any concerns at a later date? THE WITNESS: It was more of a Government 6 concern, which I didn't really understand because it 7 was totally within their authorities to obtain it. It 8 was them who released the bid--the Bidding Terms, 9 the--everything. I mean, they were the ones who 10 requested that authorization, and it was within their 11 powers to obtain it. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: When 143 and then 151 13 succeeded 41, did FEGUA or anyone else from the 14 Government say to you that now that we're doing these 15 new superseding contracts, we should re-bid or that we 16 should get executive approval in order to make sure

03:47:11 1 of our dealings with FEGUA and the Government in
2 general regarding those alleged illegalities of the
3 contracts and the Presidential approval, it was always
4 the same thing. It was form over substance.

And why do I know this? Because the lawyers told us. I remember that while drafting 143 and then 158, we were having conversations with my lawyers and with their lawyers, and I asked them, listen, why is it that this requirement has to be fulfilled, and they in no uncertain terms they just replied, "because the Overseer didn't want to sign the Contract on his own. He doesn't want to be held responsible," so they think that's a wrong understanding of the politicians in my country, that if no one else signs the Contract, they will get in trouble at a later date.

So, I said, and what about the congressional approval from 402? Yeah, there are some requirements in the law, but after all, FEGUA is an autonomous entity, and it was their opinion that not even the congressional approval was required is because the Overseer decided it had to be that way. Why? Because if in a later date someone says, who signed the

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03:45:58 1 the Trust Fund, they didn't like it. They liked
2 receiving the money we were paying them, but they
3 didn't like having to honor their obligations.
4 So, that was like a shield they were using.
5 That was their reaction. They were being defensive.

17 that they fully comply with Guatemalan law?

19 about these concerns they had, but the way these

20 things happened, Mr. Eizenstat, is that it was pretty

21 obvious. Every time we went to them to ask them to

22 comply with their contract obligations under 402 or

THE WITNESS: We were--we were mentioning

6 So, we questioned them, so when are you going to evict 7 the squatters? When are you going to make payments to 8 the trust? Hey, by the way, that Contract is illegal. 9 There's no such thing, I mean, or you're lacking

10 Presidential approval.

After their insistence that that had to be amended, we agreed, and there was a team of lawyers that participated in this.

ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And when would that have been, roughly?

16 THE WITNESS: That was in 2002, 2003, when I 17 had just joined the company.

And they were always concerned, but the way
it happened is that it was always a reaction after we
were asking for the eviction of the squatters and the

21 Trust Fund payments. It was a reaction. So, we knew 22 it was--there was nothing there of substance. In all

912 03:48:32 1 Contract, he said, well, I signed it, but the Congress

2 approved it. In the same way when they signed 3 Contract 41, the Overseer didn't want to sign it on 4 his own. He said okay, I will have the President sign

5 it. But then the President didn't want to sign it.

But we didn't care who the President was;
right? But the problem is that these things came up
every time they had a new Overseer, every time there
was a new Government in--being elected. They came
the state of the president was;
They came the president didn't want to sight to.

So, we accept that because we were always
willing to collaborate that they should correct these
deficiencies in Contract 41. We accepted it, and we
engaged into this time-consuming task of drafting new
contracts and having all of our team of lawyers
approve them, so it was not fair that just months

17 later when Overseer Gramajo took over again the same

18 thing. I was asking him for the parts. Okay, I want

19 my part. Oh, by the way, there's something with the

20 Contract. I mean, it's a part of our system,

21 unfortunately. There was no problem with the

22 Equipment Contract. You can see in their final

913 915 03:49:50 1 proposal here. This was drafted entirely by 03:52:14 1 and 158, or the other contracts--2 Government lawyers. They're indicating that contract THE WITNESS: No. Contract 41. 3 143 was awarded to us under a bidding process. Why 3 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Excuse me? 4 would they put it here in that proposal? Because they THE WITNESS: Contract 41. 5 knew--it was not illegal. That was a minor--that was ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: This is before 143 and 6 a minor thing. The most important thing is to get the 6 158--7 railroad operating, running, and growing, and that is THE WITNESS: Yes. If your question was 8 why we needed the squatters evicted. 8 regarding 143, that was different. That did not But that meant financial cost, and they 9 require Presidential approval, so now they came back 10 didn't want to do it. Why didn't want to make the 10 to the bidding process. MR. STERN: I think the witness is maybe a 11 payments into a Trust Fund? Because they didn't want 11 12 to give away the money. 12 little bit confused, and I'm not sure why, but I ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: I want to go back 13 understand Mr. Eizenstat is asking questions about why 14 again to the 143/158. If lawyers sat down, given the 14 143 and 158 were never approved by the President or 15 fact that they mentioned to you that there was an 15 there was no public bidding, and the witness appears 16 to be answering questions regarding Contract 41 and 16 issue with executive approval and bidding, it doesn't 17 seem to be a terribly difficult thing to work out, I 17 the issue. The record I think is a little unclear. 18 mean, not mentioning the 402 and the 820 and so forth. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: My question, Mr. Senn, 19 That specific issue on which lesivo was declared 19 is related to 143 and 158 because those are the ones 20 doesn't seem to me a terribly complicated issue. 20 to which lesivo was applied, and so what I'm asking is 21 Either you get an executive approval or you don't. 21 your best understanding of why the two defects that 22 Either you have to re-bid it or you don't. 22 formed the basis of the lesivo were not corrected by 914 916 03:53:22 1 the two Parties, lack of a public bid and, if it was 03:51:03 1 So, tell us, please, what the substance of 2 the conversations were when these lawyers got together 2 necessary, executive approval. 3 and they raised the issue. THE WITNESS: Contract 143 did not require a THE WITNESS: I totally agree with you. 4 public bidding process, and if the Government would 5 There is no reason why the President couldn't say, 5 have told us that by doing a public bidding process 6 okay, let's have it signed. Let's get over it. Let's 6 again, we would have resolved the problem, we would 7 move forward, but it's the same thing again. The 7 have been more than happy to consider it and engage 8 government had already changed. President Arzu is the 8 into it, but it was never proposed to us that way. 9 one who released the bid, and there was President ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And you're saying 10 Portillo. He was obviously not going to sign 10 that--your belief is it didn't require any executive 11 something from the Arzu Government. He could have--of 11 approval? 12 course he could have done it, and they asked him, (in THE WITNESS: That's what the reason for 13 Spanish) went and asked him through his Secretary, 13 redrafting the Equipment Contracts from 41 to 143 14 understand, and he said, no, he was not willing to do 14 because if the President was not willing to sign it, 15 then they came up with the idea, which for me would 15 it. 16 So, since they were insisting that that had 16 have been much easier to just get him to sign it. 17 to be corrected, we engaged in this series of meetings 17 Then they came with this proposal of redrafting the 18 and conversations trying to correct it. And finally, 18 Contract that did not require this. 19 in a goodwill gesture, we agreed to redraft it and ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: My understanding is 20 sign something new with lawyers' approval from our 20 that 143 and 158 provided higher Canon fee payments to 21 company and from the Government. 21 the Government than 41, or is that--ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Redrafting only 143 THE WITNESS: No, that's correct.

917 919 As you can see, again they were claiming that 03:57:38 1 the President was approached by the press, he kept 03:54:47 1 2 they didn't have Presidential approval, so we said 2 saying things that were not related to the Equipment 3 okay, what can we do? And they came up with about 3 Contract. So, if President of a country says that if 4 this idea of redrafting it and not requiring the 4 they don't make a 50 million-dollar investment, we're 5 Presidential approval. Oh, by the way, we would like 5 going to take back their Contract, people listen to 6 to modify this and this and that. So, it was not only 6 that. They listen to that, and everybody just 7 the signature, they wanted other things. It was 7 interpreted that we were going to be shut down, and 8 always involving money. That's the problem. It was 8 they stopped doing business with us, credit and all 9 always involving money. That 1 percent we were 9 that story, so we were forced to stop operations, but 10 paying, it was supposed to go to the Trust Fund as 10 you are right, we didn't stop immediately. We still 11 initially agreed under Contract 41, so they said that 11 tried to keep operating until we just couldn't do it 12 they wanted that initial 1 percent for them to keep 12 anymore. 13 it, not go into the Trust Fund, but was intended to 13 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Did your lawyers 14 improve the rehabilitation of the right-of-way. 14 inform you that you had the right to continue even So, we agreed to that. We agreed, okay, 15 with lesivo to operate under 143 and 158? 16 let's do it. Oh, but we want to increase it, they THE WITNESS: Yes, we were told that we could 17 say. We don't want 1 percent. We want 5 percent. We 17 keep operating, but that eventually the initiation of 18 an administrative suit called the Contencioso 18 already pay you 10 percent in the other Contract. Now 19 we want 5 percent. I have to be able to show that 19 Administrativo would end up ruling against us. That 20 there was an improvement. You're already improving it 20 was the possibility. 21 by hundred percent because that 1 percent was going to So, we couldn't just wait until happen to see 22 a trust and now you are receiving it completely. 22 the ruling which, by the way, we never got an 918 920 So, after several negotiations they accepted 03:58:54 1 understanding. It is on hold. We were forced to shut 03:56:04 1 2 only 1.25 because they came down to three, to two, to 2 down operation in advance of that ruling. 3 one-and-a-half, and finally they say, just give me ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: You issued a press 4 something else, he said, and I said, well, would you 4 statement shortly after lesivo notifying your 5 be willing to accept 1.25 percent? And he said yes. 5 customers and indicating that you felt the company was 6 He said because it was because of further auditing 6 imperiled. What would be the advantage to you doing 7 processes. I never believed it was necessary in the 7 so? One would think one you would want to reassure 8 way he expressed it, but that's how it happened. 8 your customers that you could continue to operate? THE WITNESS: Lesivo was declared just before ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Now, once lesivo was 10 declared on 143 and 158, you still had the right to 10 the weekend, and although it was published only in the 11 Official Gazette, a lot of companies have lawyers that 11 use the right-of-way and to lease under 402, and you 12 continued to do that, as I understand it. Is that 12 read that Official Gazette as part of their jobs; 13 correct? 13 right? And everybody, I mean, within the lawyers' 14 THE WITNESS: Yes. We tried to deal with it 14 sector was made aware of the Declaration, so these 15 because we had contracts with customers that we had to 15 lawyers called the owners or managers of the company, 16 honor, so we had to do it. But as explained during my 16 they warned them about it, and all of a sudden I was 17 examination here, it became just impossible to keep 17 spending my weekend receiving calls from a lot of 18 operating. Lesivo is something that is intended in my 18 persons. Next week was even worse because we were 19 receiving calls from our Shareholders, and then it 19 country that the intention is to shut down a company 20 or take back a contract. The grounds for lesivo were 20 started appearing in the newspapers, and then finally 21 never disclosed to us until a very late date in 2007, 21 the President acknowledged it. 22 and in relation to the Equipment Contract. But when So, we thought it was right to tell our

923 921 04:00:24 1 customers and our Shareholders what had happened. 04:05:05 1 said earlier, they never--they never--believed that 2 They had the right to know about this and that we were 2 there were such illegalities. 3 not going to shut down their operation immediately. So, when I heard this from people who were 4 We had the intentions to keep operating. So, that was 4 calling me and I saw it on the newspapers, we decided 5 the intention of that publication. It happened more 5 doing some research, and we found that the President than a week later, after lesivo was declared. 6 actually said--it was presented as part of the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: But the publication--7 exhibits here, a radio news clip in which the (Tribunal conferring.) 8 President clearly said that if they don't put up 8 ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: I understand what 9 \$50 million, they will continue with lesivo and enter 10 you're saying about the lawyers reading the gazette 10 into a new public bidding and take the Contract away 11 from us and give it to someone else. It has been 11 and the calls you got, and Mr. Duggan mentioned the 12 letters and so forth, but the press release preceded 12 presented as an exhibit here. It's a radio news clip. 13 those calls, it seems to me, time-wise. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: My last question is, THE WITNESS: Some of these calls were before 14 when you went over the Contract with a--the proposal 14 15 our press release, and even after making the press 15 with Mr. Orta, it was made to you, your point on the 16 release where you started, I kept receiving calls and 16 Point 4 is that this covered issues beyond the terms 17 communications, but they became more obvious after it 17 of the Lesivo Declaration and included other 18 was made public in the press. 18 contracts. Is that the point you were trying to make? ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: One last question, and THE WITNESS: Yes. That was my point, that 20 that is this 50 million-dollar statement gets bandied 20 there were things included in the other two contracts 21 about a great deal, and I just want to make sure that 21 that were never mentioned before in any of the 22 we try to nail this down. Did you or anyone you know 22 meetings, and now they are using them here trying to 922 924 04:03:11 1 of in the company actually see the President of the

2 country make that statement, or was this a report in 3 the press or on television that he was alleged to have 4 made this? Did actually see him make the statement on 5 television, or was there a written account of his 6 statement? Tell us about this 50 million-dollar--we 7 used to have a show many years ago called, "The 8 64-dollar Question," so this is the 50 million-dollar 9 question. THE WITNESS: The news was quoting the 10 11 President in their publications, but then I started 12 receiving calls. It was very obvious. I mean, many 13 of the news media was publishing the same statements. 14 They were saying that the President said this and 15 that, and that was because they were saying like they 16 had declared it, but that they were still willing to 17 consider starting the administrative suit upon a 18 50 million-dollar investment. So, here it made obvious to me again why it 20 was so important the legal requirements and the

21 illegalities and the effects, if the Government was

22 willing to offset to fix it for \$50 million? As I

04:06:38 1 make them seem like it was part of the negotiation 2 when it really wasn't.

PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Stern. 3 4 MR. STERN: Thank you, briefly. FURTHER REDIRECT EXAMINATION BY MR. STERN:

Q. You were asked by Secretary Eizenstat about 8 the timing of the publication of the press release by 9 Ferrovias, and just so the record is clear, did you 10 receive--meaning Ferrovías receive--phone calls from 11 customers and suppliers of the company in the weekend 12 following the August 25 Declaration of Lesividad? 13

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Q. Could you describe those phone calls.

A. The ones I remember the most were from 16 suppliers. We had outstanding bills that they were 17 highly concerned that we were going to pay them or

18 not, and I was able to somewhat let them know that we

19 will be honoring all of our obligations, and precisely

20 MACQISA was one of them. That's the one I remember

21 because I remember where I was. At that time, I was

22 with my family in a playground park, and then someone

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925 927 04:08:10 1 else I can remember, I think I it was--yes, it was the 04:10:58 1 Q. And you said the Government never said that 2 General Manager of Maersk, the shipping line, Rob 2 to you, either before or even after lesivo is what you 3 Waterman. He's Australian, or he's somewhere--I 3 said; correct? 4 remember he's not from Guatemala, and we had become A. Yes. 5 good friends. Q. Okay. In this letter--this is a letter dated He was made aware--excuse me, I don't 6 April 21, 2004. This is just a few months after you 7 remember exactly where he's from, but I think he's--7 signed Contract 158 amending Contract 143; correct? (Comments off microphone.) A. Correct. A. He's either British or Australian, I don't Q. And here, the Overseer of FEGUA, Mr. Gramajo, 10 remember, but we had become good friends with him, and 10 Dr. Gramajo says that he acknowledges receipt of your 11 he--they had a complete law firm working for them, I 11 letter from April 14, and at the bottom he says, "This 12 quess. And he was told even in advance, and he said 12 Department made the respective inquiries with FEGUA's 13 as his lawyer told him in advance, I don't know how he 13 Legal Department, which have advised through the 14 knew about it, and then when it was actually 14 Report in Official Letter Number 47-2004, copy 15 published, he called him--I mean, this person, he 15 attached," it says, "that it is not possible to grant 16 called me. 16 your request." Those are the two calls I remember at least 17 17 Correct? 18 from Rob Waterman from Maersk, and Mario Cifuentes A. Correct. 19 from MACOISA. Q. And you were asking there in your April 14th Q. Let me ask you a different question. I just 20 letter in part, you were asking about access to some 20 21 want the record to be clear on this. Either prior to 21 of the FEGUA rail equipment; correct? It says in the 22 or after the Lesivo Resolution, did FEGUA or anyone 22 top paragraph, "spare parts, warehouses, and other 928 926 04:09:37 1 from the Government ever raise the issue of lack of 04:12:11 1 things that related to that contract; correct? 2 Presidential approval or lack of a public bid for A. That's correct. 3 Contracts 143 and 158 as a point of negotiation Q. Okay. Let's look at the copy before you take 4 between the Parties? 4 that off the screen. So Dr. Gramajo says to you, A. No. What we had been discussing was what we 5 sorry, we cannot grant your request because of what is 6 set forth in the attached Legal Opinion. Now, let's 6 always discussed. The eviction of the squatters and 7 the payments to the Trust Fund, but not--not--not 7 look at the Legal Opinion. That's R-8. 8 really the Presidential approval. And go to the part--first of all, this is the Q. Or the public bidding? 9 same Legal Opinion, 47-2004, the one that was A. Or the public bidding. 10 referenced in Dr. Gramajo's letter, and go to the part 10 Q. Thank you. 11 where they talk about executive approval, please. So 11 12 that this is in full context. 12 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Orta? 13 MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. Okay. Highlight that top paragraph, the last 14 RECROSS-EXAMINATION 14 full paragraph there on Page 1. It says: "FEGUA is a 15 decentralized autonomous public entity which provides MR. ORTA: If we could put up R-49, please. 15 16 BY MR. ORTA: 16 that as in this case in order to undertake obligations Q. Now, you were asked questions both by 17 secured by the State, the Overseer must request prior 17 18 Secretary Eizenstat and by Mr. Stern about whether you 18 authorization to the Executive. Therefore, the 19 were ever notified that the Government took issue with 19 Overseer shall not dispose of assets owned by FEGUA 20 the fact that contract 143 lacked governmental 20 without prior authorization of or favorable opinion 21 approval; right? 21 from the Executive."

That's what it says there; correct?

A. Yes.

929 931 04:13:48 1 A. That is what it says there, yes. 04:16:26 1 Executive approval, and as a result he is denying your Q. And so, through this Opinion, you were being 2 request for access to spare warehouse parts under 3 told that the Overseer of FEGUA could not grant your 3 Contract 143; isn't that correct? 4 request under Contract 143 because that contract had

5 not been approved by the Executive? 5 me explain. I cannot--MR. STERN: I object. That mischaracterizes

7 the Opinion. The request was for access to the spare 8 parts warehouse, and that's what the Opinion is 8 already.

9 addressing. It's not about the Contract in and of 9 10 itself.

MR. ORTA: That's absolutely not true. He's 11

12 mischaracterizing. There was a request made under 13 Contract 143 for access to equipment. The witness

14 just said it. The Overseer denied the request--

MR. STERN: Objection. He did not say access 16 to equipment at all. It's spare parts, warehouse, as

17 the letter states.

MR. ORTA: Access to spare parts warehouse

19 under Contract 143. The Overseer denied the request 20 based on this opinion. The opinion communicates

21 directly to FVG, to Ferrovías, that it was being

22 denied because the contract was not approved by the

A. That is what it says here, but--I mean, let

Q. Well, I just asked you if that's what you 7 were being notified, and I think you've answered it

Let's go to R-9, please.

10 As a result of the fact that FEGUA was not

11 honoring Contract 143 and 158, you held a series of

12 meetings along with Mr. Posner and Mr. Duggan with

13 Vice-Minister Diaz, from the Ministry of

14 Communications: correct?

A. Correct.

Q. And if we go to that paragraph--and those

17 meetings dealt with a number of issues, including the

18 claim that Ferrovias had that it wasn't being paid

19 monies from the Trust Fund; correct?

20 A. Yes.

Q. And let's go to number two. Did we identify

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22 the date? I'm sorry. The date of this letter is

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04:14:58 1 Executive. This goes directly to what Secretary

2 Eizenstat asked about directly.

MR. STERN: And the provision that he's 4 citing in the Opinion does not state that, so I object 5 to that as well.

MR. ORTA: Yes, it does state it.

(Tribunal conferring.)

PRESIDENT RIGO: I think we denied your

9 objection, and you can continue with the question. I

10 mean, it has been a matter that has been covered that

11 was never notified Ferrovias of what the individual

12 problems were, and that is the Legal Opinion to

13 Mr. Gramajo's letter, so please go ahead.

14 BY MR. ORTA:

Q. Sir, you can answer my question. 15

A. I apologize. Can you give me your question

17 again. It was whether I had been made aware or

18 notified?

Q. Well, through this document, you're being 20 notified--go ahead and put the highlighted text up

21 that was up there before. You're being notified by 22 the Overseer in April 2004 that Contract 143 lacked

04:17:43 1 November 2004, and it's a letter, sir, from you to

2 Vice-Minister Diaz; correct? Ministry of

3 Communications?

A. Yes, that's correct.

O. And in addition to the Trust Fund issue, if

6 we go to number two--let's highlight that--you titled

7 that heading, "official and formal acknowledgement of 8 Contract for Usufruct of equipment Number 143 and

9 158." Correct?

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A. Correct.

Q. And you say, "As we explained in our meeting,

12 the Government's failure to acknowledge these

13 contracts creates a lack of legal certainty for

14 potential investor investors." Correct?

A. Correct.

Q. And you state later that you have

17 started--you say. "We have started communications with

18 FEGUA's Legal Department on this matter so as to be

19 able to arrive at a joint proposal that satisfies both

20 the Government's concerns through FEGUA and those of

21 our company." Right?

A. That's right.

933 935 Q. And you later say that if the results of the 04:20:57 1 our lawyers and their lawyers had redrafted and signed 04:18:40 1 2 initiative, of this initiative are successful, 2 last year. Last year. Now, I mean what I was telling 3 together with FEGUA, we would be presenting an 3 him is that I need them to acknowledge in the same 4 amendment to the Contract, and you're talking about 4 sense I am referring to 402 and 820, their obligations 5 Contract 143 and 158; right? 5 under such Contract, and again I'm willing, and I open 6 to listen to them if they want to amend something, but A. Yes. Q. Or a new contract; correct? 7 I'm not saying that this doesn't have acknowledgement 8 because it's illegal or because it's lacking approval. A. I'm sorry, yes--9 Q. That's what it says there. 9 I'm not saying that here. A. Yes. BY MR. ORTA: 10 10 Q. So, you were telling Vice-Minister Diaz you But you are saying that part of the reason 11 11 12 were trying to negotiate either an amendment to 12 you were looking to enter into a new contract--13 Contract 143 and 158 or a new contract to address, in PRESIDENT RIGO: This is your last question. 14 part, FEGUA's concerns about that contract; right? 14 BY MR. ORTA: Q. You are saying that part of the reason that A. I need to explain this. Just answer my question. Is that what you 16 you wanted to enter into the new contract was to 17 were telling Vice-Minister Diaz? 17 satisfy the Government's concerns about the Contract; A. No, because I need to explain it. 18 right? That's what you say here. 18 19 Q. That's not what you were telling him? That's A. I'm saying that because one more time they 20 what the letter says, isn't it, sir? 20 came to me with silly, stupid responses about not A. Yes, but it's a different context. You are 21 giving me the parts. I already said before that we 22 were a 24 by seven operation, and I needed the parts 22 just reading a paragraph of the letter, and the letter 936 934 04:22:05 1 immediately. I was not going to be waiting for months 04:19:39 1 cites other matters--SECRETARY SEQUEIRA: Can you slow down for 2 for these guys to decide to give me the parts. I am 3 the transcript? 3 referring to the parts here. The previous Contract THE WITNESS: I apologize. I apologize. 4 said all of the equipment and accessories. So, the 5 Thank you. If you notice, those are obligations that 5 Overseer said, well, accessories doesn't mean parts. 6 FEGUA had not complied with in the three contracts. I 6 Okay, let's put it clear. We redrafted the Contract, 7 would have wrote a different letter if I thought this 7 and it says parts. 8 was an illegality. I was not talking about What was the problem? The Overseer that 9 illegalities here. I want them to acknowledge their 9 signed the previous Contract left, and Dr. Gramajo, 10 obligations, in the same way I am referring to 10 which is a specialist in something else other than 11 Contract 402 and 820. They had to evict the 11 trains, comes over and says, you know, yes, it says 12 parts, but now we have a new lawyer on board, Carrillo 12 squatters, they had to make the payments to the trust, 13 and they had to give me my parts. 13 is the one. And she's giving me a legal opinion. How 14 Now, what's the difference? The difference 14 can it be, how can you run a business, how can you 15 enter into long-term deals with a country that every 15 is this Contract had just been signed few months ago. 16 The other one--the other two contracts are originals. 16 time an Overseer comes and takes over an entity, he

17 hires his friends, new lawyers, and they have

Sorry, Mr. President.

20 agreed to it.

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18 different opinions. It was just less than a year ago

So, what I want to leave clear here and set

19 that we had signed this Contract, and their lawyers

17 From the original concession, they had more than five

Now, this 143 and 158 is a new contract that

18 years by this time. So, later, after we didn't get

19 these issues resolved, we filed for arbitration.

20 These were genuine disputes. I'm referring to

21 Contract 402 and 820.

937 939 04:23:11 1 it for the record because we have already discussed 04:47:47 1 correct. There is just one thing: When I wrote the 2 this in the last hearing, I never thought it was an 2 information regarding my public post, I made a typo. 3 illegal contract. I was willing to work with them and 3 I was Minister of Finance and of the Economy in 4 resolve their concerns. But if you see in the context 4 Guatemala from '91 to 1994, not 1990. 5 of the letter the other two paragraphs mentioned that Q. Thank you for that correction. 6 they were not complying with their obligations. So, Could you just briefly describe for the 7 that is exactly the case here. 7 Tribunal your public service record in Guatemala. A. My public service career started in 1991. In Thank you. PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Senn, thank you so much 9 January, I was the Minister of the Economy in my 10 for your testimony. You may take leave. Thank you. 10 country. I was the Minister of the Economy for four 11 months--for four months. And in the new THE WITNESS: Thank you very much, 12 administration, the Minister of the Economy--the 12 Mr. President. 13 (Witness steps down.) 13 Minister of Finance stepped down and the President 14 asked me to be the Minister of Finance, and I was 14 PRESIDENT RIGO: We'll have a break. We need 15 to, so let everybody can have a little bit of rest, 15 Minister of Finance for three years and eight months. 16 particularly the Court Reporters and the interpreters. 16 I was charged with coordinating the Economic Cabinet 17 So we will reconvene at a quarter to 5:00. Thank you. 17 and everything that had to do with macroeconomic 18 policies, the negotiation of the internal and foreign MR. ORTA: Just to let you know that we have 19 Mr. Richard Aitkenhead here and ready to testify. 19 debt of the country, and the management of the public 20 debt finances. 20 Thank you. 21 PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you. In 1994, I retired and went back to the 22 (Brief recess.) 22 private sector, conducted activities in the private 938 940 04:49:22 1 sector. 04:43:17 1 PRESIDENT RIGO: Good afternoon, 2 Mr. Aitkenhead. And, in 1996, the new President asked me to RICHARD AITKENHEAD, RESPONDENT'S WITNESS, CALLED 3 be involved in the negotiation of the peace PRESIDENT RIGO: Good afternoon. 4 agreements. Guatemala was negotiating the peace THE WITNESS: I solemnly declare upon my 5 agreements with the insurgent armed group after many, 6 many years of armed conflict, and I was a member of honor and conscience that I shall speak the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. the negotiating team for a year. PRESIDENT RIGO: Muchas gracias. And then until December 1996 the Peace Accord 9 9 was signed in Guatemala, and I went back to the Mr. Orta. 10 DIRECT EXAMINATION 10 private sector again. BY MR. ORTA: 11 And, in January '06, Oscar Berger, the 11 12 President-elect, asked me to coordinate the plan of 12 Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Aitkenhead. How are you 13 today? 13 the Government, and I was--I was appointed President 14 A. Very well, thank you. 14 Commissioner to work together with the Ministry, and I 15 was there until January 2008. After that I went back Q. Mr. Aitkenhead, you have before you the 16 to the private sector. 16 statement you have rendered in this case. First is 17 just can you confirm that this is your Declaration to Q. In your capacity as Presidential Commissioner 17 18 this Tribunal. 18 under the administration of President Oscar Berger, 19 did you have access to the President on a weekly 19 A. Yes, this is my statement. Q. And do you ratify the contents of the 20 basis? 20 21 Declaration before this Tribunal? A. Well, yes, definitely. The idea was for me A. Yes, I do. Everything that's written here is 22 to assist the President in coordinating the social and

04:50:55 1 economic issues that were part of the economic plan.

- 2 I met with the President three or four times a week.
- 3 Sometimes we had lunch together, and I participated in
- 4 the general Cabinet meetings of the Government and in
- 5 the Economic Cabinet that was coordinated by the Vice
- 6 President, this under Guatemalan law. The Vice
- 7 President was Mr. Eduardo Stein.
- O. Did there come a time when the President
- 9 asked you to become involved in disputes in between
- 10 FEGUA and Ferrovías in relation to the railway project
- 11 in Guatemala?
- A. Yes. In January 2006--in March 2006, the 12
- 13 President asked me to make up a Commission of
- 14 high-level officers to negotiate with Ferrovías the
- 15 different issues that had to do with the operation of
- 16 the railway in Guatemala. Because of the activities
- 17 that I was involved with, I suggested to the President
- 18 that Mario Marroquin be the one involved in the
- 19 negotiations. He was the Adjunct Commissioner. He
- 20 participated in those meetings actively.
- But I was kept abreast of the moving forward
- 22 of the meetings in the period the meetings took place

- 04:54:14 1 related to a contract signed in 2003 related to the 2 Rolling Assets and also the Rolling Stock that were 3 the property of FEGUA.
  - Q. And to your understanding, was the purpose of the High-Level Commission to help resolve all of those disputes that you just testified about?

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- A. Well, the precise instructions of the
- 8 President were as follows: I am interested in the
- 9 context of the competitiveness program and the
- 10 development of the country to have a working railway
- 11 system, to have a better logistics as a country, to
- 12 have imports and exports that are transported via the
- 13 railway with more competitive costs, and this was my
- 14 priority within these eight points that President
- 15 Berger had in his Government Plan. That was his main
- 16 purpose.
- Then there were other purposes such as 17
- 18 finding a solution to different disputes that FEGUA
- 19 and the Ministry of Communications had, and the
- 20 company, Ferrovías. The President told us at all
- 21 times that this negotiation had to be in good faith
- 22 and that the result of this negotiation should be

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- 04:52:25 1 between March and May '06. Later on, I was still
  - 2 involved in them, and I was more actively involved in
  - 3 this until the end of that year.
  - Q. And we're going to get to that in a second,
  - 5 but what was your--to your understanding, what was the
  - 6 purpose of the formation of the High-Level Commission
  - 7 that you just described?
  - A. There were disputes that had expanded between
  - 9 the FEGUA and Ferrovias.
  - In 2006, there had been an internal
  - 11 arbitration process, and FEGUA had not made payments
  - 12 to the Trust Fund, so conversations were around that
  - 13 issue.
  - 14 On the part of Ferrovias, there was a little
  - 15 bit of a malaise because of people settling in the--in
  - 16 areas of the railway, and this State was seen as
  - 17 someone who had to do more activities in order to
  - 18 prevent that, and the idea was for the railway in
  - 19 Guatemala to work in full capacity, connecting the
  - 20 cities with the Atlantic Coast and the Pacific 21 Coasts--coast, and the Government wanted to push forth
  - 22 the rehabilitation plan, and there were legal defects

- 04:55:44 1 positive for all involved and above all for us to get 2 an efficient railway system in Guatemala.
  - O. Now, there came a time toward the end of that
  - 4 year--when I say in August of that year, where the
  - 5 President signed an Executive Resolution declaring the
  - 6 Equipment Contract lesivo, and ultimately that
  - 7 Executive Resolution was published in the Official
  - 8 Gazette by the President's staff.
  - To your knowledge, why did the President take 9 10 that decision?
  - A. As I recall, from that time, well, the
  - 12 Overseer of FEGUA talked to the Secretary-General of
  - 13 the President and said that, in his understanding, the
  - 14 Contract executed in '03 failed to comply with the
  - 15 requirements set forth in Guatemalan law, and the
  - 16 Contract deficiencies should be cured because in the
  - 17 way in which it was operating it generated harm for
  - 18 Guatemala. So, legal studies were conducted, and the
  - 20 President always tried to find a negotiated solution
  - 21 to any dispute, including this one, but there was a
  - 22 deadline by which he had to declare lesivo. If not,

947 945 04:57:41 1 he would be personally responsible for any problems MR. STERN: None of these post-Lesivo 05:00:53 1 2 arising from the Contract. 2 Declaration discussions are described or referenced in Given the situation in August 2006, the 3 his statement. 4 Executive Resolution declaring lesividad was MR. ORTA: His statement--5 published--lesividad of the Contract was published. 5 PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Orta. Q. To your knowledge, Mr. Aitkenhead, was there MR. ORTA: Sorry. 7 a point in time earlier in that year when the His statement refers to the fact that the 8 President took the decision to suspend or stop the 8 President asked him to be involved both before and 9 process to declare that contract lesivo for a period 9 after the Lesivo Resolution in dealing with these 10 of time? 10 issues, and this goes directly to allegations they've A. Yes. I recall this on the basis of 11 made about what happened post-lesivo. 11 12 information given to me by Mario Marroquin, the (Tribunal conferring.) 13 communication I had with Commissioner Fernandez, that 13 PRESIDENT RIGO: The witness should answer 14 in May 2006, during the negotiation process, there was 14 the question, and beyond that the time is over for the 15 a meeting where it was said that this Lesivo 15 direct. 16 Declaration was being circularized among of the 16 Please go ahead. 17 Ministers, and that seemed to be an act of bad faith THE WITNESS: As I had already mentioned, the 17 18 President asked us to continue. We had a couple of 18 in the context of the negotiations that were taking 19 place. 19 meetings and the local partners hired an investment There was a request, and Mr. Fernández talked 20 bank in Central America called Mezo-America. 20 21 to President Berger, and he told him that it was 21 Mezo-America is the leading investment bank, and they 22 important for these negotiations to go on for the 22 conducted a study on the railway system in the 946 948 04:59:18 1 approval of lesividad to be suspended. Mr. Berger was 05:02:08 1 country, and they presented that at a meeting and 2 ready to suspend them, saying, however, that the 2 expressed their doubts about the viability of the 3 negotiations were to go on, but there was a deadline. 3 system without strong investment. 4 And if there was no cure to the defects in the Upon conclusion of that meeting, in which I 5 contracts, he would be forced to signing the lesividad 5 participated at the beginning but I did not stay 6 because he didn't want personal responsibility in 6 throughout the meeting, the President asked me for 7 connection with those problems in Guatemala. 7 follow-up by talk to the local partners and I was Q. After the Executive Resolution was published, 8 asked whether I could meet with Mezo-America directly. 9 the Executive Lesivo Resolution was published, could With Commissioner Fernández, I had several 10 you describe for the Tribunal what involvement, if 10 meetings together with Mezo-America; and, around 11 any, you had in attempting to reach a settlement of 11 November 16-17, 2006, they approached us at our 12 the problems that had occurred between Ferrovías and 12 offices, made a presentation. We discussed it with 13 FEGUA. 13 them, and we established the basis of an agreement to 14 A. Yes. After August '06, the President asked 14 present to the President on November 20. They held 15 us again to try and move forward and to negotiate and 15 consultations with--that is to say, Mezo-America with 16 to try to find an acceptable solution for all the 16 the local partners, and they also had consultations 17 Parties involved, a solution that solved not only one 17 with international partners, and on Saturday--18 aspect but all of the aspects related to the railway MR. STERN: This is beyond his Witness 19 Statement. This is beyond evidence--19 projects in the country. Now, I held some conversations with the local PRESIDENT RIGO: I agree. Let's move on, 20 21 partners in Ferrovías in Guatemala, and we insisted to 21 please, and have the cross-examination. 22 them--MR. STERN: Thank you.

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| 05:03:20 1   | CROSS-EXAMINATION  | 05:06:13 1   | Q. Okay. And I just want to be clear. The  |
| 2  | MR. STERN: Thank you.  | 2  | statement you submitted to the Tribunal here was   |
| 3  | BY MR. STERN:  | 3  | written in English; correct?   |
| 4  | Q. Good afternoon, Mr. Aitkenhead. We have some  | 4  | A. Yes.  |
| 5  | documents in a binder that is being handed to you I  | 5  | Q. Okay. You didn't submit a Spanish version;  |
| 6  | will be asking you some questions about.   | 6  | right?   |
| 7  | Now, as you answered in your direct testimony  | 7  | A. No, I didn't.   |
| 8  | in response to Mr. Orta's question, you testified that   | 8  | Q. And you wrote your own statement?   |
| 9  | on average you would meet with President Berger on   | 9  | A. Yes, but I always had people who helped me on   |
| 10   | average about three or four times a week; is that  | 10   | drafting and style. I can communicate in English or  |
| 11   | right?   | 11   | Spanish. I am doing it in Spanish because this is the  |
| 12   | A. That is correct.  | 12   | official language of the country we represent.   |
| 13   | Q. Is it fair to say that you were one of  | 13   | Q. Okay, thank you.  |
| 14   | President Berger's closest advisors during his term?   | 14   | Now, again, I just want to be clear, in  |
| 15   | A. I cannot qualify how close I was, but I was   | 15   | Paragraph 11, I'm looking at the third sentence of   |
| 16   | an important advisor to the President.   | 16   | yourof that paragraph, and I will just read it here.   |
| 17   | Q. Okay. Fair enough.  | 17   | It says: "Had the Parties reached an agreement that  |
| 18   | Now, according to your statement and your  | 18   | would have provided for the cure of the legal defects  |
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- 2 Government would not have been willing to stop the
- 3 lesividad process against the Equipment Contracts if
- 4 the Government and Ferrovias were only able to reach
- 5 an agreement that cured the alleged legal defects in
- 6 the Equipment Contracts; correct?
  - A. Correct.
- Q. And it was your understanding that the
- 9 alleged legal defects in the Equipment Contracts were
- 10 two things: One, the lack of a public bid in the
- 11 awarding of that contract and the lack of Presidential
- 12 approval of that contract; is that right?
- A. One of the main points considered by the
- 14 President was that that Contract had been published
- 15 without--has been on offer without the approval of the
- 16 Council of Ministers--that was the main issue--and,
- 17 second, the bidding process. There had been a
- 18 bidding--a bid in 1997 that was confirmed in 1999, but
- 19 in 2003 they were still working on the basis of the
- 20 one issued in 1997.
- Q. Okay. So, those were the two defects: The
- 22 lack of Presidential approval and the lack of a new

- 05:11:34 1 curing the two alleged defects in the Contract, the 2 lack of a public bid and the lack of Presidential 3 approval; correct?
  - A. Based on my knowledge, I don't know whether 5 they did it or not.
  - Q. And certainly, as one of President Berger's
  - 7 close advisor--important advisors, I think you
  - 8 said--you never recommended that President Berger put 9 the Equipment Contract--put the Equipment Contract to
  - 10 a public bid; right?
  - A. But back then I did not suggest what you're 12 saying.
  - 13 Q. And you never recommended to President Berger
  - 14 that he approve the Equipment Contracts. He and his
  - 15 Cabinet Ministers approved those contracts; correct?
  - MR. ORTA: I'm going to object just because
  - 17 this witness has already testified those were issues
  - 18 that were under the competence of the
  - 19 Secretary-General and not his competence, so he's
  - 20 asking him questions about which he would not have
  - 21 been advising the President to begin with.
  - MR. STERN: This is clearly within the scope

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05:10:06 1 public bid for those contracts; correct?

- A. Based on my knowledge, that is correct, but
- 3 the person in charge of advising legally the President
- 4 is the Secretary General, not the person who is in
- 5 charge of advising him on financial issues.
- Q. And it's true, is it not, that at no time did
- 7 the Government, to your knowledge, ever make a
- 8 stand-alone offer to Ferrovías either before or after
- 9 the Lesivo Declaration was issued to stop the
- 10 lesividad process by curing these two alleged defects
- 11 in the contracts; correct?
- A. I don't have information on that; and, as I
- 13 mentioned before, I was not sitting at the high-level
- 14 negotiating table. That was Mr. Marroquin who was
- 15 there, and I do not have any knowledge that they were
- 16 able to discuss specific items rather than general
- 17 ones.
- Q. Well, again, my question just was to your
- 19 knowledge, and I just want to confirm it. To your
- 20 knowledge, the Government--no one from the Government
- 21 ever made a stand-alone offer to Ferrovías to stop the
- 22 lesividad process against the Equipment Contracts by

- 05:12:52 1 of his testimony. He has discussed about the reason
  - 2 why his President has declared lesivo, and he knows
  - 3 about these thing, he knows about the defects. This
  - 4 is clearly within the scope of his testimony. And he
  - 5 can answer the question whether he did or didn't
  - 6 without any problem. It's a perfectly fair question.
    - (Tribunal conferring.)
  - PRESIDENT RIGO: The witness should answer
  - 9 the question.
  - THE WITNESS: Would you please repeat the 10
  - 11 question?

- 12 BY MR. STERN:
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- 14 My question was: You never recommended or
- 15 urged President Berger to approve--he and his Cabinet
- 16 Ministers to approve the Equipment Contracts; correct?
  - A. What Equipment Contract?
- Q. Ferrovías's Equipment Contract, the ones that
- 19 were declared lesivo, sir.
- A. Are you referring to the Contract after the
- 21 Declaration of Lesivo?
- Q. No. I'm talking about the Ferrovías

05:14:10 1 Equipment Contracts which President Berger declared

- 2 lesivo because, for among other reasons, the Contracts
- 3 lacked Presidential approval.
- 4 Do you understand which contracts I'm
- 5 referring to?
- 6 A. Yes, but those Contracts, when signed, should
- 7 have been approved by the Council of Ministers in
- 8 2003.
- 9 Q. That's fine, but my question was: Once you
- 10 learned about the lack of Presidential approval being
- 11 one of the defects of the Equipment Contracts as
- 12 grounds for the Lesivo Resolution, you did not advise
- 13 or urge President Berger to approve those contracts;
- 14 right?
- 15 A. No, I didn't.
- 16 O. Now, isn't it a fact that the reason
- 17 President Berger issued the Declaration of Lesivo was
- 18 not because of defects in the legal contracts, but
- 19 Ferrovías did not have a sufficient amount of money to
- 20 rehabilitate the South Coast corridor?
- 21 A. No. That is your own speculation.
- 22 The President insisted that we needed to

- 05:17:10 1 I know, never mentioned that information that you
  - 2 mentioned to the President--about the President of the 3 Republic.
    - 4 Q. Okay. Again, my question just was not what
  - 5 you may have heard from President Berger directly or
  - 6 from Commissioner Fernández, but were you aware of
  - 7 public Press Reports about President Berger stating
  - 8 that the reason he declared lesivo was because
  - 9 Ferrovías had not invested \$50 million to rebuild the
  - 10 South Coast?
  - 11 MR. ORTA: I object just because that
  - 12 question has already been answered.
    - MR. STERN: I don't think he has answered it.
  - 14 MR. ORTA: The answer is right in the record,
  - 15 and he has answered it. I would be happy to read it
  - 16 after--the answer: "I don't remember, but it would be
  - 17 impossible for me to remember what the President said
  - 18 at one point in time given all the statements
  - 19 throughout his administration. But Commissioner
  - 20 Fernández, as far as I know, never mentioned that
  - 21 information that you mentioned to the President--about
  - 22 the President of the Republic."

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- 05:15:38 1 improve the operation of the system, and we also
  - 2 needed to solve the old problems and how we could move
  - 3 forward with rehabilitation Phases II, III, IV, and V
  - 4 as stated in the Contract, and Ferrovías never made a
  - 5 proposal as how Phases II, III, IV, and V were going
  - 6 to be conducted.
  - 7 O. Okay. So, weren't you aware that there
  - 8 reports at the time after the Declaration of Lesivo
  - 9 was published stating that President Berger said the
  - 10 reason he declared lesivo was because Ferrovías had
  - 11 not made a \$50 million investment in the South Coast
  - 12 corridor?
  - 13 A. The President never indicated that to me to
  - 14 any of meetings I attended or any of the Cabinet
  - 15 meetings.
  - 16 Q. The question was were you aware of Reports in
  - 17 the press, in the Guatemalan press, about such
  - 18 statements by President Berger?
  - 19 A. I don't remember, but it would be impossible
  - 20 for me to remember what the President said at one
  - 21 point in time, given all the statements throughout his
  - 22 administration. But Commissioner Fernández, as far as

960 05:18:18 1 I am not entirely sure if that's 100 percent

- 2 accurate as to what he said because I was listening in
- 3 Spanish, but, nonetheless, it's been answered. But if
- 4 he wants to ask it again, he can, because I don't
- 5 think that that transcription of what was said is
- 6 accurate.
- 7 PRESIDENT RIGO: Why don't you please--if you
- $8\,$  know the question; if not, it should be repeated.
- 9 MR. STERN: I will try a fourth time.
- 10 BY MR. STERN
- 11 Q. Again, my question is not referring to any
- 12 statements you may or may or may not have heard from
- 13 the President himself from Commissioner Fernández or
- 14 anyone else in the Government. My question was: Were
- 15 you aware of Public Reports--newspaper, TV, radio, et
- 16 cetera--which reported that the President had stated
- 17 that the reason he declared lesivo was because
- 18 Ferrovías had not invested \$50 million to rebuild the
- 19 South Coast?
- 20 A. I don't have any recollection of that piece
- 21 of news that you're mentioning.
  - Q. Okay. If those reports existed, would that

961 963 05:19:19 1 surprise you? Q. So, you don't consider it to be a reliable 05:22:54 1 A. If they were reports, internal reports by the 2 newspaper? That was my question. 3 Government, documents by Government officials, I would A. I don't think you're understanding me. 4 be extremely surprised. I said that even though it is a reliable If this is a report by a journalist in the 5 newspaper, I cannot quarantee that all the information 6 press, the Guatemalan press says a lot, I wouldn't be 6 published is correct. I can only quarantee that I do 7 surprised. But if there was a public document, I 7 consider it a reliable source of information. 8 would be extremely surprised because I never knew of O. And, indeed, the Government published the 9 it. 9 Declaration of Lesividad against Ferrovías's Contracts Q. Okay. Well, let's look at Exhibit C-131, 10 in this newspaper; correct? 10 11 which is Tab 4 in your binder. A. That is the second role of the newspaper. Do you have that? 12 There are two roles about the newspaper. One is to 12 13 A. Yes, I have it here. 13 inform about news in Guatemala, and the second one is O. And this is an article from Diario de Centro 14 to be the vehicle to publish any Agreement or Decree 14 15 by the Government of the Republic. 15 America dated September 5, 2006. I just asked you a question. I wanted you to But these are two parts to the same means of 17 confirm this is a September 5, 2006, article from 17 information. The official part is the Declaration of 18 Diario de Centro America. 18 the Governmental Agreements, and the journalistic A. I cannot confirm it. I read it, but how can 19 portion have to do with the news. 20 I confirm that? Q. Okay. Now, looking at the article that is 21 cited here in the Exhibit C-131--and do you have that? Q. Well, I don't know if you're looking at the 22 I'm looking at the third paragraph. 22 English translation or not, but if you're looking 964 962 05:21:08 1 behind, there is a blue page and then the original in And it states here: "Berger explained that 05:24:26 1 2 the Declaration of Lesividad arises from the fact that 2 Spanish. 3 the \$50 million investment under said Contract did not Go to the next page. Do you see that? 4 occur. However, he added, Ferrovías has a 90-day term A. Yes, I can see it. 5 to enter into dialogue with the corresponding Q. Diario de Centro America, that's the Official 6 authorities." 7 Gazette of Guatemala: is that correct? Does that refresh your recollection if you A. It is the newspaper that belongs to the 8 saw any news reports at the time shortly after the 9 State, yes, to the Government. 9 Declaration of the Lesividad was issued that President Q. So, it's a Government-published newspaper; 10 Berger declared lesivo because of the \$50 million 11 investment was not made? 11 correct? A. It is a newspaper published by the A. It doesn't help me remember, but it does help 13 journalists that are employed at the Diario de Centro 13 me see a publication by the press that makes that 14 America, and that belongs to the Government. Those 14 announcement. That's all I can say. I do not 15 remember reading that article. 15 are two different things. Q. The Government-owned newspaper? Q. Okay. Let's look at Exhibit C-133, which is

17 at Tab 5 of your binder.

Q. And the English translation is at the

So, Exhibit C-133 purports to be a

20 beginning of the tab; and, like the other tabs, the

21 original is behind, if you want to look at that.

A. Okav.

A. Correct.

19 of information, don't you?

22 a journalistic source.

Q. And you consider this to be a reliable source

A. It is in general terms, but I cannot know

21 whether this topic in particular is correct, but it is

967 965 05:28:29 1 the--on the Pacific line. 05:25:59 1 September 8, 2006, article from La Hora newspaper; is 2 that right? And based on what I see here in the article. A. Yes. It seems to be the -- it seems to be from 3 it is important to mention that Ferrovías had stated 4 that it was not--that the railway system they were 4 La Hora. MR. ORTA: I'm just going to ask that the 5 using was not profitable, and also the study by 6 witness look at Spanish version because it appears 6 Mezo-America concluded that \$300 million had to be 7 that the English translation is not accurate. 7 invested as opposed to 50 million, and that was the BY MR. STERN: 8 conclusion of the study in November. And I hope--we 9 Q. Yes. Feel free to look at the Spanish 9 wished that \$50 million would have been enough. 10 version. Q. Okay. If the President demanded that And, again, I would point out in this 11 Ferrovías had to invest \$50 million in order to--in 11 12 article, it again states the President--it says the 12 the South Coast in order for the Government to 13 first sentence, "The President, Oscar Berger, 13 withdraw the Declaration of the Lesividad--in order to 14 considers that Ferrovias does not have the \$50 million 14 withdraw the Declaration of Lesividad, would you 15 consider that to be the negotiating in good faith by 15 funds required to carry out railway operations in the 16 the Government? 16 country. 'I believe they do not have financial 17 capacity to do what needs to be done, ' said the MR. ORTA: That assumes facts not in 17 18 President. His statement was given after a meeting 18 evidence. There is no evidence that the President 19 with representative of Ferrovías to discuss the issue. 19 ever made that Declaration to Ferrovías or anyone 20 else. 20 The President expressed his concern regarding the 21 corporation's lacking financial resources. 'We do not 21 MR. STERN: I'm asking him a hypothetical, 22 intend to cause any harm. If they come to us saying 22 based on multiple news reports that are in the record. 968 966 05:27:18 1 they will invest \$50 million, and then I see works 05:29:41 1 MR. ORTA: He's not an expert witness. 2 being carried out on the broad-gauge railroad, they MR. STERN: He's expressed a strong Opinion 3 will have our support.'" 3 that the Government negotiated in good faith with So, again, you were not aware at the time of 4 Ferrovías. 5 these types of news articles--this news article and MR. ORTA: That's not an appropriate 6 question. This is not an expert witness. 6 others--reporting on President Berger stating that the 7 reason he declared lesivo was because the \$50 million MR. STERN: I guess we need an expert on good 8 investment had not been made on the South Coast? 8 faith. MR. ORTA: That is a complete 9 (Tribunal conferring.) 10 mischaracterization of this article, so I object to 10 PRESIDENT RIGO: The witness should answer 11 that characterization of the article. It speaks for 11 the question. 12 itself, and it doesn't say what Mr. Stern just said. THE WITNESS: I would be pleased to do so. 12 BY MR. STERN: The only thing I can say is that the Q. Let me just ask the question: You were not 14 President, through the four years that I worked there, 15 aware of this article at the time, September 8, 2006; 15 always had good faith in this and other negotiations. 16 correct? 16 He always expressed that. And it seems unusual to me A. I don't remember it. 17 that a comment in the press is given more importance 17 I think that what I see here is very 18 than a discussion it might have had. I don't know if 19 consistent with what the President said; that is, that 19 this statement was ever made by some member of 20 the railroad system had to work fully and that 20 Ferrovías or if it was made elsewhere, because in the 21 progress had been made along the line going to the 21 Economic Cabinet, the General Cabinet meetings, I

22 never learned of this request of having to invest

22 Atlantic, and they wanted to make progress along

971 969 05:30:48 1 \$50 million. 05:35:11 1 of this audio that has just been played, who was on 2 the tape, who--who's reporting this, how it was made. BY MR. STERN: Q. Okay. That wasn't my question. I just have a complete objection to any line My question was: If the President said or 4 of questioning in relation to this audio. 5 demanded that in order for the Government to withdraw MR. STERN: Could I ask the witness to see if 6 the Declaration of Lesividad against the Equipment 6 he understands? 7 Contracts, Ferrovias would have to put up \$50 million PRESIDENT RIGO: I couldn't understand it, 8 to rebuild the South Coast railway, would you consider 8 and I'm a native Spanish speaker, but maybe it would 9 that to be negotiating in good faith by the 9 be helpful to know the origin of it--I mean, the 10 Government? 10 source, and perhaps to have a transcript. I don't A. With my apologies to the Tribunal, I have no 11 know whether--what exhibit is the transcript. 11 12 reason to interpret hypothetically what a press MR. STERN: There is a transcript in 13 statement by the President says. 13 Exhibit 132, which is on the screen here. I can make reference to the orders that I 14 14 PRESIDENT RIGO: Okay. 15 received from him and the discussions that we had, and MR. STERN: And it's a broadcast from El 16 he always displayed good faith with me. I cannot 16 Independiente, September 8, 2006. 17 hypothetically say whether this means something other PRESIDENT RIGO: And according to you, 17 18 than good faith. 18 Mr. Stern, this is the President speaking? 19 I apologize, but you'll have to ask someone MR. STERN: Yes. That's what the broadcast 20 purports to have. 20 who has heard it first-hand. Q. So, you can't answer my question, sir; is MR. ORTA: Can I just point out that the 22 transcript, which we have no ability at this moment to 22 that what you're saying? 972 970 A. I cannot get into trying to interpret what 05:36:25 1 verify whether it's an accurate representation of what 05:32:05 1 2 you want me to interpret. You can interpret what you 2 the audio says, states in the first three lines, four 3 will. I cannot answer--I cannot answer your question 3 lines, five lines, that there's a number of 4 in the terms in which you would like. 4 unintelligible things that apparently that were said Q. Okay. Let's look at Exhibit C-132, please. 5 that were not recorded, so I just object to this 6 entire line of questioning based on this audio and 6 And this is a video. It's not going to be--it's an 7 audio recording. It's from a radio broadcast. 7 this transcript of the audio. So, you're going to see it on the screen and MR. STERN: Well, I would point out that they 9 hear it. 9 have had this broadcast and transcript for quite some PRESIDENT RIGO: For the record, before you 10 time and have never had any objection on it. 10 11 play it, could you say the date. MR. ORTA: Right, but you're using it for the 11 MR. STERN: Yeah, it should have the date. I 12 first time as evidence in this proceeding. 13 will show it. PRESIDENT RIGO: It's been in evidence so you 14 PRESIDENT RIGO: Okay. 14 have it. MR. STERN: The date of the broadcast is MR. ORTA: I meant in this proceeding, I mean 15 16 September 8, 2006. 16 during the hearing. (Video recording played.) PRESIDENT RIGO: Well, many things have been 17 17 MR. ORTA: I have several objections. 18 used in this hearing that--I mean, you had them long 18 One, I couldn't hear a word of that. It's 19 before. Amongst other things, what you agreed last 20 difficult for me to formulate further objections based 20 week, certain exhibits at the last minute, that we 21 on what just was done. 21 added to the proceeding. The rest has been with Number two, there has been no authentication 22 either Party for a very long time, and does not raise

05:37:41 1 any objections.

I can understand that there are some 3 objections because of whether it's comprehensible; 4 that, of course--but I don't think at this point

5 points an objection to the whole thing.

MR. ORTA: Right. I just meant he's asking 7 questions--I'm not saying it was submitted late, if

8 that's what you're asking me. My objection is not

9 based on that. My objection is based on the fact that 10 it's unintelligible, and even if we accepted the

11 transcript of the audio is a correct transcript, by

12 its very--it's now been blocked by the person--if you

13 could move that--by its very nature it says there were

14 at least 17 seconds of unintelligible recording and 15 another 19 seconds and then another 42 seconds and

16 then another 44 seconds. Nor do we have any way to

17 confirm that that was the President actually speaking.

PRESIDENT RIGO: I think we would like to

19 move on. I mean, we take it for what it is, and we

20 understand it is understandable and the objections

21 have been raised, but it has been a part of the record

22 for guite a while. But given the limitations it has

05:40:47 1 the High-Level Commission meetings; correct?

A. Incorrect. Commissioner Fernández did 3 participate, and he participated in at least a couple

4 of sessions. The First Session I'm sure he

5 participated in it, and he gave the

6 opening--pronounced the opening words.

And at that time, and the others, he always 8 stated the importance of coming up not only with the 9 solution to a particular problem, but a solution to 10 all of the problems, even if step by step, the idea

11 was to tackle the entire agenda of issues with

12 Ferrovías and with the rail system in Guatemala.

But you didn't attend any of these meetings; 14 correct?

A. I did not attend, that is correct. But have 16 you to understand, just to see, it's impossible, there

17 being all of these issues, for one to be present at 18 all meetings. A Deputy Presidential advisor is

19 basically the number two in the area that I was

20 working in, and he was there.

So, since he was there, he had broad

22 authority to negotiate. The only two limitations he

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2 also these Press Reports, et cetera.

In the interest of time, also, I think it 4 would be useful to move on.

MR. STERN: May I ask him--one question I 6 want to ask him?

PRESIDENT RIGO: Yes.

BY MR. STERN:

Q. Mr. Aitkenhead, do you recognize--during the 10 broadcast here, could you record whether that was the

11 voice of the President, President Berger speaking or

12 not?

A. The use of the "R" might be him or somebody 14 speaking with the same tone of voice that he uses.

Q. Let me ask you a few questions about the 15

16 High-Level Railroad Commission that you were appointed

17 to oversee, along with Commissioner Fernández.

Do you recall your testimony about that?

19 A. Yes, it's here in the Statement. We were 20 asked to participate, not necessarily to chair.

Q. And follow up on your answer, neither you nor

22 Commissioner Fernández ever actually attended any of

05:39:04 1 in itself, I think--and you have explored this, seeing 05:42:11 1 had is that he could not enter into any Agreement in

2 those meetings that would imply fiscal resources

3 without having previously had approval from the 4 Economic Cabinet, or that would involve legal

5 provisions without having had authorization by the

6 Secretary-General of the Republic.

But he had my full Delegation of Authority to 8 participate actively in those meetings.

Q. So, didn't you attend any of the High-Level 10 Commission meetings. The only knowledge you have

11 about what was discussed, raised, proposed at these

12 meetings is based on what others have told you or told 13 you about them; correct?

A. Prior to the Decision on Lesividad, yes, I 14

15 did participate, as I mentioned to the Tribunal a 16 moments ago, after the signing of Lesividad, when the

17 study was carried out in the Mezo-America case.

Q. Excuse me, are you now saying that you did 19 attend some of the High-Level Commission meetings

20 prior to the Declaration of Lesividad?

21 A. No, perhaps the translation was mistaken.

What I said, and I'm going to say it slowly,

05:43:28 1 was that I did not participate in the direct meetings

- 2 of the High-Level Commission before the Declaration of
- 3 Lesividad. After the Declaration, the President asked
- 4 me to continue to be involved in the issue, and I did
- 5 meet with the local partners and representatives of
- 6 Mezo-America after the Declaration of Lesividad, not
- 7 before.
- Q. Sir, you never had any-during this entire
- 9 time, either before or after the Declaration of
- 10 Lesividad, you never met with anyone from Ferrovías,
- 11 did you?
- A. No, not in the context of the meetings of the 12
- 13 High-Level Commission.
- Clearly, in some of the visits that have been 14
- 15 made to the Presidential house, I may have been
- 16 present. At some meeting, someplace, I may have been
- 17 present. But at those meetings of the High-Level
- 18 Commission, I never participated in any of those
- 19 meetings, as is reflected in the Aide Memoires of
- 20 those meetings.
- Q. Now, at the time President Berger appointed
- 22 you and Mr. Fernández to oversee the High-Level

- 05:46:28 1 A. Mr. President of the Tribunal, I just have 2 one observation. I am trying to answer specifically.
  - 3 It seems to me that he should let me finish my
  - 4 sentences, but he is asking something concrete, I'm
  - going to answer concretely.
  - It is correct, as appears in the record, that 7 Mr. Gramajo had asked the President to declare the
  - 8 Contract lesivo in the month of January; that is
  - 9 correct, and it so appears in the document.
    - Q. Thank you.

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- 11 And it's also true that at the time you were
- 12 asked to oversee the High-Level Commission in March of
- 13 2006, the President didn't inform you or Commissioner
- 14 Fernández about this request from Dr. Gramajo, did he? A. Once again, there are two distinct issues.
- 16 One is the request to the President. Another is the
- 17 moment when a decision was made as to how to proceed
- 18 with lesividad.
- What Commissioner Fernández and, in my case
- 20 myself and in the instructions from Marroquin, the
- 21 President did not inform us that there was a decision
- 22 to declare the Contract lesivo when we began the

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- 05:44:51 1 Commission in March of 2006, it's true, is it not,
  - 2 that President Berger was already in receipt of FEGUA
  - 3 Overseer Gramajo's request to declare the Equipment
  - 4 Contracts lesividad; correct?
  - A. It is correct that in January 2006 he
  - 6 received a request from Mr. Gramajo.
  - Q. Okay. And so at the time the President
  - 8 formed the High-Level Commission, he was aware that
  - 9 there was a request from the FEGUA Overseer to declare
  - 10 the Equipment Contracts lesividad; correct?
  - A. The President, in response to that request,
  - 12 what he asked his Secretary-General, and he commented
  - 13 this to me, was to undertake the legal studies to see
  - 14 whether the request by Mr. Gramajo in that regard was
  - 15 correct or was not correct. And as of January, it's
  - 16 my understanding those studies were made.
  - O. I'm running out of the time. I just want you 17
  - 18 to answer my question. And my question was: At the
  - 19 time President Berger formed the High-Level Commission
  - 20 in March of 2006, he was in receipt of the FEGUA
  - 21 Overseer's request to declare the Equipment Contracts
  - 22 lesivo; correct?

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- 05:48:02 1 conversations. That is what happened. He did not
  - 2 tell us because there was no decision to it declare
  - 3 the Contract lesivo. What there was was a request
  - 4 from the FEGUA Overseer. They are two different
  - 5 things.
  - Q. And isn't it a fact you didn't learn about
  - 7 the President's decision to declare the equipment
  - 8 contracts lesivo until May of 2006?
    - A. That is correct.
  - Q. Don't you think it would have been important
  - 11 for the people participating on the High-Level
  - 12 Railroad Commission to know whether or not there was
  - 13 an outstanding request to declare one of the
  - 14 Ferrovías's contracts lesivo as part of their
  - 15 discussions?
  - A. I'm sorry, but you're trying to tie two
  - 17 things together. They were sitting down at the table
  - 18 in good faith negotiating, and at that negotiating
  - 19 table they found out that there was a process to seek
  - 20 an agreement with the Ministers to declare the
  - 21 Contract lesivo. They informed Commissioner Fernández
  - 22 of this. He consulted with the President, and the

- 2 on, but that if negotiations were continuing forward,
- 3 he was willing to suspend the process for the
- 4 negotiations to go forward, and that's what happened.
- 5 It was suspended until August in order for the
- 6 negotiations to continue. That's what happened, and
- 7 that's what my statement says.
- Q. But isn't it a fact that after the High-Level
- 9 Commission meetings were suspended in May--on May 11,
- 10 2006, the next negotiation session between the
- 11 Parties, the Government and Ferrovias, was August 24,
- 12 2006, the day before the Declaration of Lesividad had
- 13 to be published?
- A. That does not mean that from May there were 14
- 15 no further efforts in conversation, but meetings for
- 16 one reason or another no longer took place, meetings
- 17 where all--everyone sat down together to discuss the
- 18 issues. This wasn't a decision just of the
- 19 Government. It was part of the conditions and the
- 20 things being said by each of the Parties, but the
- 21 intent continued, and there were personal contacts
- 22 with some persons--or contacts with Parties. The

- 05:49:30 1 President confirmed for him that the process was going 05:53:02 1 you give me some time, I could look over it and then
  - 2 give you an answer, but I can't read the entire
  - 3 document in just two minutes. I don't know what you
  - 4 prefer or how the Tribunal would like to proceed.
    - Q. Let me ask you this question: Were you
  - 6 at--you weren't at the August 24, 2006, meeting
  - 7 between representatives of the Government and
  - 8 Ferrovías; correct?
  - A. No, I did not say in my statement that I was 10 present because I'm not certain that I was there.
    - Q. So, you may have been there?
    - A. I tried to remember, see if I had any notes
  - 13 from being there. I didn't have anything, so I cannot
  - 14 say what I don't recall. I can't quarantee that I
  - 15 wasn't there, but I don't have any recollection of
  - 16 having been at that meeting.
  - Q. Well, do you recall being at a meeting where 17
  - 18 the Government presented Ferrovias with a proposal the
  - 19 day before the Declaration of Lesividad?
  - A. Once again, I recall the existence of that
  - 21 meeting. I was aware that the meeting occurred. I
  - 22 don't know if I was physically present because at that

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- 05:50:55 1 Commission as such did not report having had any new 2 official meeting.
  - Q. Well, isn't true you can't tell us if any
  - 4 discussions, whether they were face to face or by
  - 5 written communication or by telephone, that occurred
  - 6 between the Government and representatives of
  - 7 Ferrovias between May 11, 2006, and August 24, 2006?
    - A. As an official meeting of the High-Level
  - 9 Commission, no. But from the reports we received,
  - 10 there were conversations, there were contacts between
  - 11 the Parties.
  - But as I tell you, since it wasn't me, or
  - 13 since I wasn't there, I can't tell you exactly what,
  - 14 whom, or how.
  - Q. Okay. Let's go to Exhibit C-44 in your
  - 16 binder, which is at Tab 3.
  - Do you know what Exhibit C-44 is? 17
  - Well, let me ask you this question, and maybe
  - 19 we can move forward. Do you recognize Exhibit C-44 as
  - 20 the settlement offer or proposal that the Government
  - 21 presented to Ferrovías on August 24, 2006?
  - A. I'd have to look at it in more detail. If

- 05:54:35 1 time we were having another economic problem that was
  - 2 major and that I had to deal with directly; therefore, 3 I cannot say that I was there on that date. Had we
  - 4 not been involved in the issue that we were looking at
  - 5 and which involved a financial situation of banking
  - 6 institutions in the country, then I could recall
  - 7 whether I was there.
  - But, as I say, I don't mention it because I
  - 9 know that that meeting happened, but I can't verify
  - 10 that I was there. It's most likely that I wasn't
  - 11 there because I don't remember it. But, as I say, I
  - 12 can't assure you of this 100 percent.
  - Q. Okay. But you do know that the Government
  - 14 presented Ferrovías with a written proposal on
  - 15 August 24, 2006, the day before the Declaration of
  - 16 Lesividad had to be published; correct?
  - A. I know that there was the utmost desire to 17
  - 18 reach an agreement and that work was underway on a
  - 19 proposal, but I cannot ensure you, as I say, that it
  - 20 was this. But if other persons from the Government
  - 21 say that it was, then it was this.
  - Q. Do you recall hearing any reports about that

987 985 05:56:03 1 meeting and what happened at that meeting? 05:58:57 1 Q. Well, you know that Mr. Aitkenhead, about a A. As my statement says clearly, at 2 year after the Declaration of Lesividad, Ferrovías 3 paragraph--it says--my statement says that up until 3 stopped operating the railroad; correct? 4 one day before the Declaration, the Government was A. Correct. 5 trying to reach agreement, and the Government had once Q. And since that time there has been no working 6 again tried to reach agreement before the lesividad 6 railroad in Guatemala? 7 was declared. So, I do know that some offer was being A. Correct, there has not been a working rail 8 presented in order to try reach an agreement. 8 service, but the concession continues in force. Q. Okay. Now, in your Witness Statement--and Q. Okay. Could you please explain to the 10 I'm referring to Paragraph 6 in particular--you insist 10 Tribunal how declaring the Usufruct Equipment 11 that the Government's goal in its negotiations with 11 Contracts harmful to the interests of the State helped 12 Ferrovías was always to quarantee that Guatemala would 12 to quarantee that Guatemala had a working railroad. 13 have a working railroad; correct? A. Putting things in context and decision on A. That was the key objective of the whole 14 lesividad has to give rise to a Contencioso 14 15 process, that it be operative and that it extend to 15 Administrativo proceeding, which has to be decided by 16 the Atlantic and to the Pacific. 16 the court. What a Declaration of Lesividad says is O. Okay. And Declaration of Lesivo that the 17 that that contract did not meet or comply with the 17 18 President--that President Berger issued was against 18 country's legal rules for being able to operate and to 19 Ferrovías's Railroad Equipment Contract; correct? 19 be advisable for the Guatemalan State. A. In August of 2006, that is correct. So, the fact that the Declaration is issued. 20 20 Q. And you would agree that the Government as a 21 what that does is it makes that issue like the issue 22 result of the Declaration of Lesividad, took the 22 of FEGUA's nonpayment, like the other issues that had 988 986

05:57:57 1 equipment away from Ferrovias, FVG could not operate 2 the railroad; correct? MR. ORTA: Objection. That calls for a legal

4 conclusion. The legal documents set forth the answer 5 to that.

PRESIDENT RIGO: Would you rephrase the 7 question.

BY MR. STERN:

Q. Well, you would agree that if the Declaration 10 of Lesividad was upheld by the Court, the Government

11 would then have the right to take away Ferrovías's

12 railroad equipment; correct?

MR. ORTA: Again it calls for a legal 14 conclusion.

MR. STERN: I'm asking for his understanding. 15

16 MR. ORTA: He's not a lawyer. He's an

17 economist.

MR. STERN: Well, we've asked plenty of 19 witnesses about legal documents that aren't lawyers.

PRESIDENT RIGO: Objection is sustained. 20

MR. STERN: All right. 21

BY MR. STERN:

06:00:43 1 been raised by Ferrovias and that the Government

2 wanted to talk about, it meant that one had to sit

3 down at the negotiating table and reach an agreement,

4 either an agreement between the Parties or await the

5 judicial resolutions.

But there's just one part that's not clear to 7 me about the question. In your previous question, you 8 indicated to me that if they took the equipment from

9 Ferrovías, isn't there any other equipment that might

10 be able to be used to make the railway operational?

11 Because I don't think that's the only wide gauge

12 equipment that--railway equipment that exists in the

13 world, or might it be--might that be the case. So I

14 don't know why a legal issue having to do with 15 Contract and equipment meant the impossibility of the

16 Contract going forward. I don't really know--see

17 where your question is directed.

Q. So, just to wrap up, one more question. So

19 if I understand your testimony, the Government thought

20 that by declaring the Equipment Contracts lesivo, it 21 would force Ferrovias to negotiate with the Government

22 on all issues related to the railway; isn't that

991 989 06:01:53 1 right? 06:04:59 1 about one issue. That is not what I said. What I said was If--and I understand you said you were not 3 that the purpose at the inception for President Berger 3 aware of what offers went back and forth exactly to 4 was to try and solve the problems related to the 4 the tee before the Lesivo Declaration was issued, but 5 operation that Ferrovias and FEGUA had, and to agree 5 if the lesivo--if the Government had proposed a--let's 6 with the Parties a plan to move forward with the 6 state it differently. Let me restart the question. 7 rehabilitation of the railway and to make it possible If the Government and Ferrovias had reached 8 for us to have an efficient railway system. an agreement to--or could have reached an agreement In fact, in the Mezo-America study, it was 9 before the Lesivo Declaration was published to cure 10 said that the State was ready to support the financing 10 the causes of the--the causes that led the Government 11 so that the narrow gauge could become a wide gauge. 11 to issue the Lesivo Declaration and have it published 12 That was an issue that was still put on the 12 but had not reached a resolution of the other issues 13 negotiation table. But you are saying that the main 13 that the Parties were discussing regarding Contract 14 objective of the Government was not the termination of 14 402 and Contract 820, the Trust Fund Agreement, do you 15 a particular Contract, but rather to solve the 15 know whether the Government would have been willing, 16 problem, which was the lack of railway service in the 16 under those circumstances, to stop the issuance of the 17 country both going--rather going to the Pacific Coast. 17 Lesivo Declaration; in other words, the publication of PRESIDENT RIGO: Thank you. 18 the Lesivo Declaration? 18 19 As you know, we have scheduled the sessions A. The President had told us that he was willing 20 up to 6:00. We can proceed for a short while, and in 20 to take risks of the nonpublication of the lesividad 21 that respect so that we finish the examination of 21 if there was an agreement as to how to proceed in that 22 Mr. Aitkenhead, the Secretary will inform us of 22 issue in particular even though the other issues may 990 992 06:03:34 1 arrangements in terms of transcription and so forth 06:06:51 1 have been left unresolved. 2 available after a certain time. MR. ORTA: I have no further questions. SECRETARY SEQUEIRA: We may not have live 3 OUESTIONS FROM THE TRIBUNAL 4 transcript in Spanish. I hope that's not a problem ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: I understand your last 5 because we initially had arranged that to be provided 5 answer, but I'm trying to square that with what you 6 until 5:00. Our court reporter needs to leave at 6:30 6 said in Paragraph 11 of your statement in which you 7 to catch a plane, but the rest of the days we will 7 indicate that there was an effort to reach an 8 have live transcription services. So, to the extent 8 agreement that would have provided for the cure of the 9 possible, if we could finish by 6:30. 9 legal defects of the Equipment Contracts and for a PRESIDENT RIGO: Let's agree that we extend 10 plan that would insure the rehabilitation and 11 the session up to 6:30 and that we stop at 6:30. 11 functioning of the railroad, and you said twice now 12 that the President wanted to have service both to the 12 MR. ORTA: That's agreeable. MR. FOSTER: And as I understand it, the 13 Atlantic and Pacific Coasts, and that that was the 14 questions of the lawyers following up after the 14 purpose of the negotiation. 15 Panel's questions will be limited to no more than 10 So, can you tell me again, what did you 16 minutes per side. 16 understand, based on what you said in Paragraph 11 and PRESIDENT RIGO: That's right. 17 your statements twice that the President wanted to 17 Yes, of course. It's your turn. 18 achieve service in both Atlantic and Pacific areas. 18 19 the purpose of those negotiations under the High-Level 19 MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. REDIRECT EXAMINATION 20 Commission. 20 BY MR. ORTA: THE WITNESS: The High-Level Commission 21 21 Q. Mr. Aitkenhead, I think I just have questions 22 established very clearly five items that were

993 995 06:08:15 1 important and that had to be dealt with. One was the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And were you part of 06:11:29 1 2 claim by Ferrovias regarding the nonpayment by FEGUA 2 the Council of Ministers in your very high position 3 of certain Canons that FEGUA had to pay. 3 with the Government? Second, every solution regarding the lack of THE WITNESS: During 2004 and 2008, yes, I 5 was a member of the Council of Ministers, and I went 5 support by the Government because of the squatters in 6 the right of way of the railway. 6 to the economic and general Cabinet meetings, the Third, a request by the Government to solve 7 Economic Cabinet meetings where few people were 8 the issue related to the legal defects of the 8 involved. 9 Equipment Contract. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: But the actual legal Fourth, to try and find a joint resolution 10 defects for 143 and 158 were, as you described, the 10 11 related to the railway and the viability of the 11 lack of public bid and the lack of a Presidential 12 signature. Why weren't those able to be solved in 12 railway. 13 And, five, what would be the plan to extend 13 your knowledge within this three-year period? They 14 the service and also to meet the agenda of the 14 don't seem to be terribly difficult. 15 productivity plan up to 2015 to obtain railway The other issues I understand are very 16 services that went to the border with Mexico. 16 complex, but those two legal defects, can you explain Those were the five objectives mentioned by 17 to the Tribunal why those couldn't have been promptly 17 18 the President. 18 corrected? Could we have reached partial agreements? THE WITNESS: A critical issue is the fact 20 Yes, according to certain issues, but the effort of 20 that in '99 the Contract could have been perfected 21 the Government was to try and solve the five of them, 21 because there was a call for bids, and then Ferrovías 22 won the other Contract for the General Usufruct of the 22 but at no time were we told you have to stop solving 996 994 06:12:59 1 railway. In that case, there was a call for bids, and 06:09:40 1 one if you cannot solve all of them. That was never 2 told to me. 2 the Contract was not perfected. The error in 2003 was ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Okay, but you're 3 that the Contract was made without the bidding process 4 saying what you were seeking was a global agreement on 4 and without the approval of the Council of Ministers. 5 these five, if that was possible. That was the goal. In 2003, we should have made an agreement 6 with Ferrovias for them to conduct a bidding process, THE WITNESS: The ultimate purpose was that, 7 although we could have had intermediate objectives. 7 again the equipment during the period as stated by the ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: The original Contract 8 Government, and if they had agreed, then the call for 9 41 was concluded in 1999 and then the successor 9 bids would have been established, well, no one would 10 Contracts, 143 and 158, these were the equipment 10 have wanted to get any equipment for a railway that 11 doesn't exist elsewhere in the country. So, they 11 contracts of 2003. Do you know why there was a 12 would have won the call for bids. 12 three-year period in which Ferrovias was permitted to 13 operate the railroad and use the equipment if there But in connection with Berger's 14 was a defect with respect to the bidding and the lack 14 administration, well, they accepted as good a process 15 of a Presidential or Council of Ministers signature? 15 that had existed for eight years from the original 16 Is that something you have any knowledge about? 16 bidding date, but there was no agreement in that THE WITNESS: I don't have knowledge, deep 17 regard. 17 18 knowledge, of the legal issues. I know that both in If you allow me to give you a personal 19 opinion, what I feel is that regrettably--this happens 19 1999 and 2003 there were mistakes and the Contract 20 were not perfected, but I don't have knowledge of 20 in negotiations--the Parties were very aware of their 21 that. I don't know why things were operational 21 legal options, and they were not as aware of their 22 without the Contract. 22 negotiation options--extrajudicial negotiations, if

999 997 06:14:35 1 you will--and they should have pushed those more 06:17:28 1 agreement, and then you also mentioned another 2 actively. 2 Contract related to the Usufruct of the equipment. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And do you know why Q. And at the time the Government awarded or did 4 the bidding process--because you say that you assume 4 the initial public bid for the equipment Usufruct, the 5 that they would have won--why wasn't there an 5 Government did not first obtain Ferrovías's consent to 6 agreement simply to go through the formality of a bid, 6 put it out to a public bid, did they? 7 have the President sign it and be done with that MR. ORTA: Sorry, but this is going beyond 8 the scope of the questions from the Tribunal. 8 issue? THE WITNESS: Basically, in my opinion, MR. STERN: I'm getting to the point of 10 because there was never an agreement. 10 Secretary Eizenstat's questions. Let me give you an example. I'm talking MR. ORTA: I believe it's beyond the scope. 11 12 about other agreements. We are talking about other MR. STERN: I mean I can cut to the chase if 13 issues now that seem minor; for example, the historic 13 that will move things along. 14 heritage. Ferrovías wanted the administrative 14 PRESIDENT RIGO: We sustain the objection. 15 proceeding to be stopped and not to be restarted. In 15 You are going beyond that, and he was not in 16 this case it wasn't a legal process that was ongoing, 16 Government at the time. 17 and they did not want to stop the Ferrovías MR. STERN: Okay. 17 18 arbitration. Each Party was looking at risks that may BY MR. STERN: 19 have existed related to their vested rights, and there Q. Well, what I'm trying to understand is there 20 was no agreement based on trust. If that agreement 20 was nothing--there was nothing that required the 21 would have existed, we would have advanced the 21 Government to get Ferrovías's consent to put the 22 negotiation of the other issues, but unfortunately we 22 Equipment Contract out to a new public bid once it 1000 998 06:16:03 1 failed in that negotiation. 06:18:42 1 realized that Contract 143 and 158 had not been ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: Thank you. 2 subject to a new public bid, was there? PRESIDENT RIGO: Any further questions on MR. ORTA: I'm sorry, that calls for a legal 4 either side? 4 conclusion and is beyond the scope of the questions MR. ORTA: None. 5 that were asked by the Tribunal. PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Stern? PRESIDENT RIGO: We again sustain the MR. STERN: Yes, briefly. 7 objection. It's on the same grounds. Those are legal RECROSS-EXAMINATION 8 questions. 9 BY MR. STERN: MR. STERN: With all due respect, he's 10 Q. Mr. Aitkenhead, when the Government of 10 answered numerous questions regarding his legal 11 understanding of several documents in response to 11 Guatemala originally awarded the original Equipment 12 Contract to Ferrovías, that was done pursuant to a 12 Mr. Orta's questions and to the Tribunal's questions, 13 and it's just a very simple question. He testified in 13 public bid; correct? 14 A. In 1997, yes, there was a public bidding. 14 response to Secretary Eizenstat's questions that the Q. And at the time they put the public bid for 15 reason they couldn't resolve or put the Contract out 16 the Equipment Contract, Ferrovías already had been 16 to a new bid is because they had to negotiate that 17 awarded the--another public bid, the Right of Way 17 issue and consent from Ferrovias. And my question is 18 Usufruct: correct? 18 simple. There is no basis for that statement. A. As I said, I wasn't a member of the MR. ORTA: It's an incredibly complicated 20 administration at the time. I cannot give you the 20 question that calls on legal issues. We can ask the 21 details, but they were awarded the general Usufruct of 21 experts about it, and they've opined about it. I mean

22 the railway system, and then there was another trust

22 to ask this person who is an economist is really out

1003 1001 06:19:51 1 of bounds and is going to muck up the record. 06:23:23 1 cetera, when was the decision on lesivo published and 2 where. You have given us video clips, audio clips--or (Tribunal conferring.) PRESIDENT RIGO: Just ask him a factual 3 one audio clip--and a number of statements on the 4 question as far as he knows, whether the consent of 4 matter, to adjust the timeline from everybody 5 Ferrovías was required. Just a question, frankly, is 5 involving everything. 6 a bit--very legalistic and convoluted. The third matter is probably the most MR. STERN: I will try again. 7 difficult one, is that you have submitted voluminous 8 and heavy Core Bundle binders. We will be very 8 BY MR. STERN: Q. Do you recall in answering questions from 9 grateful if you could put them on an A5 size with a 10 Secretary Eizenstat that you said in order for the 10 spiral, like in book form. The ones that you have 11 Parties--in order for the Government to put Contracts 11 been using during the testimony would be enough--the 12 143 and 158, the Equipment Contracts, out to a new 12 examination of the witnesses, I think we would be 13 public bid it required Ferrovías's consent? Do you 13 grateful because they're so large that if you open 14 recall that testimony? 14 them, everything will pop out. I mean, it's very MR. ORTA: Sorry, I have to protect the 15 difficult then to keep it in order. I know we have it 16 record here. That's not what the witness said. He 16 electronically, but people have different ways how we 17 was asked by Secretary Eizenstat why he understood 17 work, so it would make our life easier. 18 that the Parties were not able to correct the two And I will ask if there are any other things 19 deficiencies after Contract 143 and 158 were executed, 19 that we want to raise, certainly vis-à-vis Friday and 20 and the witness answered that to his knowledge, the 20 the closing statements so that you have enough 21 Parties were never able to reach agreement on the 21 warning. 22 terms. That a factual point. He's now asking a legal 22 (Tribunal conferring.) 1002 1004 06:21:37 1 question, and I'm sorry; it's beyond the scope and 06:25:56 1 PRESIDENT RIGO: I think, Mr. Foster, you 2 it's not proper for this witness. 2 wanted to speak. PRESIDENT RIGO: We are sustaining the MR. FOSTER: I was just going to ask about 4 objection. 4 the ring, the binders that you were requesting, and MR. STERN: All right. Well, I have no 5 I'm going to suggest that perhaps each Party would 6 supply you, that that not necessarily be limited to an 6 further questions. PRESIDENT RIGO: Mr. Aitkenhead--I don't know 7 exhibit that was used in the testimony but that we try 8 if I'm pronouncing your name correctly or not--but I 8 to identify for you what we perceive as the core 9 would like to thank you for being here this afternoon, 9 documents upon which we're relying, and I don't know 10 and you can step down. 10 that we'll--my colleague is telling me that this is THE WITNESS: Thank you. Good afternoon. 11 all well and good to offer since I go home early, but 11 12 that doesn't bother me in the least because that's why 12 (Witness steps down.) PRESIDENT RIGO: Before we break, I have 13 God made young people. 14 three points, and my colleagues may have additional 14 MR. ORTA: Might I add, as one of the young 15 people in the room, maybe or maybe not, I agree 15 ones. 16 In terms of looking forward to your closing 16 wholeheartedly. There are a number of documents that 17 statements, we would like that you address the issue 17 we haven't used because they've chosen not to cross 18 some of our witnesses that we think are crucial for 18 whether from a legal point of view in Guatemala you 19 can negotiate away lesividad, as a legal matter. 19 the case. The other item is whether you could give us PRESIDENT RIGO: I certainly will be most 20 20 21 the timeline of the various contested issues in terms 21 happy if you can give us the three volumes reduced in 22 of the effect it may have on suppliers, bankers, et 22 size to A5, and then with the binder and the spiral.

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06:27:21 1 What do you call--I can't find the word now. MR. FOSTER: Instead of the Core Bundle, the 3 core documents.

> PRESIDENT RIGO: Yes. But I meant about the 5 spiral, so that we understand what I mean.

11 repetition.

MR. FOSTER: Yes. ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: There will also be 8 obviously some reputation because, for example, the 9 April 2005 letter, the last offer was used by both 10 sides, so--I mean, we know that there will be some

12 MR. ORTA: And we can certainly make an 13 effort to reduce the number of documents, not give you 14 everything, but what we think is most important.

ARBITRATOR EIZENSTAT: And I would say to 16 Mr. Foster that it's important for senior lawyers to

17 set an example for their junior associates. MR. FOSTER: And I used to do that, sir. My

19 reputation is legend.

PRESIDENT RIGO: On this humorous note, 20 21 notwithstanding a long day, which is appreciated, I

22 think we can close the session and see you tomorrow at

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                    MR. ORTA: Thank you, Mr. Chairman.
                     (Whereupon, at 6:28 p.m., the hearing was
         4 adjourned until 9:00 a.m. the following day.)
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